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**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act,* 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, effective May 1, 2006.

**BEFORE:** Gordon Kaiser

**Presiding Member** 

Cynthia Chaplin

Member

Paul Vlahos Member

#### **DECISION ON MOTION AND ORDER**

Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. ("CNDHI") is a licensed distributor providing electrical service to consumers within its defined service area. CNDHI filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates for the distribution of electricity and other matters, to be effective May 1, 2006.

The Board issued its Decision and Order related to the Application on April 26, 2006.

On May 8, 2006, CNDHI filed with the Board a motion for a partial review of the Board's Decision and Order to amend the Total Loss Factors which was set out in Appendix "A" of the Decision and Order. Copies of this request were also sent to all registered intervenors in this proceeding.

On May 9, 2006, the Board issued Procedural Order No. 1 which stated that the Board would deal with this matter by way of written hearing unless a party satisfied the Board that there was good reason for proceeding by way of oral hearing. The Board established a deadline for any intervenor wishing to respond to CNDHI's motion of 12:00 p.m. on Friday May 12, 2006.

The Board has received no comments on this matter from intervenors. Having considered CNDHI's application, the Board accepts the proposed revision to loss factors as reasonable.

#### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Order is approved, effective May 1, 2006, for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2006. The application of the revised distribution rates shall be prorated to May 1, 2006. If Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc.'s billing system is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors shall be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.
- 2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix "A" of this Order supersedes all previous distribution rate schedules approved by the Ontario Energy Board for Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc., and is final in all respects.
- 3. Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, May 15, 2006.

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Original signed by

Peter H. O'Dell Assistant Board Secretary Appendix "A"

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#### **APPLICATION**

- The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Codes, Guidelines or Orders of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.
- No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code, Guideline or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.
- This schedule does not contain any rates and charges relating to the electricity commodity (e.g. the Regulated Price Plan).

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES**

DISTRIBUTION RATES - May 1, 2006 for all consumption or deemed consumption services used on or after that date. SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES - May 1, 2006 for all charges incurred by customers on or after that date. LOSS FACTOR ADJUSTMENT – May 1, 2006 unless the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates. In that case, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

#### SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS

#### Residential

Residential refers to the supply of electrical energy to detached, semi-detached, and row-housing units (freehold or condominium). This classification typically refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where electricity is used exclusively in a separate metered living accommodation. Customers shall be residing in single-dwelling units that consist of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, with a residential zoning. Separate metered dwellings within a town house complex, condominium, or apartment building also qualify as residential customers.

#### **General Service**

General Service refers to the supply of electrical energy to business customers, to bulk-metered residential buildings and to combined residential and business or residential and agricultural buildings. Apartment buildings that are bulk metered will be billed at the appropriate General Service rate.

#### General Service Less than 50 kW

This classification refers to a non residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly peak demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW.

#### General Service 50 to 999 kW

This classification refers to a non-residential account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 1,000 kW.

#### General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW

This classification refers to a non-residential account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 1,000 kW but less than 5,000 kW.

#### Large Use

This classification refers to an account whose average monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 5,000 kW.

#### **Unmetered Scattered Load**

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly average peak demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW and the consumption is unmetered. Such connections include cable TV power packs, bus shelters, telephone booths, traffic lights, railway crossings, etc. The customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load.

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\$/kWh

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#### **Street Lighting**

This classification refers to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template.

#### **Embedded Distributor**

This classification applies to an electricity distributor licensed by the Board, that is provided electricity by means of this distributor's facilities.

#### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES**

#### Residential

Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Regulatory Asset Recovery Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	8.99 0.0142 0.0020 0.0048 0.0039 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
General Service Less Than 50 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Regulatory Asset Recovery Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	12.54 0.0131 0.0005 0.0043 0.0035 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
General Service 50 to 999 kW		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Regulatory Asset Recovery Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	99.44 3.3592 0.0389 2.7517 2.2119

#### General Service 1,000 to 4,999 kW

Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge (if applicable)

Wholesale Market Service Rate

Rural Rate Protection Charge

Service Charge	\$	787.32
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.8501
Regulatory Asset Recovery	\$/kW	0.0506
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0900
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7360
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0010
Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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Large Use		
Service Charge Distribution Volumetric Rate Regulatory Asset Recovery Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	4,382.05 1.8329 (0.1896) 1.9804 1.7671 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Unmetered Scattered Load		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Regulatory Asset Recovery Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	6.13 0.0131 0.0019 0.0043 0.0035 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Street Lighting		
Service Charge (per connection) Distribution Volumetric Rate Regulatory Asset Recovery Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Regulated Price Plan – Administration Charge (if applicable)	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kWh \$/kWh \$	0.27 1.7225 (0.0046) 1.3827 1.1116 0.0052 0.0010 0.25
Embedded Distributor		
Monthly Distribution Wheeling Service Rate – Waterloo North Hydro Monthly Distribution Wheeling Service Rate – Hydro One Networks  Specific Service Charges	\$/kW \$/kW	0.2000 0.0700
Customer Administration		
Arrears certificate Statement of Account Pulling post dated cheques Duplicate Invoices for previous billing Request for other billing information Easement Letter Income tax letter Notification charge Account history Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) Returned Cheque (plus bank charges) Charge to certify cheque Legal letter charge Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) Special meter reads	***	15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 15.00 30.00

Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)

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Non-Payment of Account		
Late Payment - per month	%	1.50
Late Payment - per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Collection of account charge – no disconnection after regular hours	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	165.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – after regular hours	\$	415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	185.00
Service call – customer-owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35
Allowances		
Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)
LOSS FACTORS		
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW		1.0419
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW		1.0153
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW		1.0315
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW		1.0052