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Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 27<sup>th</sup> Floor 2300 Yonge Street Toronto, On M4P 1E4

## Re: Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. 2007 Distribution Rate Application Board File No. EB-2007-0507 – Clarification requested

Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. (licence ED-2002-0534) received an e-mail from Board Staff on March 6<sup>th</sup> with the following request:

Board staff has undertaken a preliminary review of your application. As a result of this review, staff would request clarification from you of the following aspect of your application:

In item 2 of the Manager's Summary, BHDI states that it treats the Standby Power charge as a Specific Service Charge, despite the fact that Standby Power is identified and defined on the Board approved Tariff as a separate Service Classification and is shown as a separate rate. Please clarify that, notwithstanding the 2007 rate guidelines that require a distributor to input all the current 2006 rates, BHDI has applied for the elimination of Standby Power as a distribution rate and for the inclusion of a Standby Charge as a new Specific Service Charge. If this is correct, please clarify the inclusion of a description of Standby Power in the Service Classifications and as a separate rate (albeit without a level of rate) in Sheet 3 of your 2007 IRM Model, and showing it in the "Allowance" section of the Specific Service Charges rather than as a charge.

After review of the Standby Charge and discussion with Board Staff re the request, Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. will refile the 2007 IRM model with Standby Power as a distribution rate and the Standby Charge removed from the Specific Service Charge section. The changes in the revised model filed are as follows:

- 1. In Sheet 1.LDC Information, we have indicated this model as revision 1
- 2. In Sheet 3.2006 Tariff Sheet, under the Standby Power Approved on an Interim Basis section, in the Distribution Volumetric Rate we have entered \$2.6000 /kW.
- 3. In Sheet 3.2006 Tariff Sheet under the Specific Service Charges section under Allowances we have removed the Standby Charge of \$2.60 /kW.



The effect of these changes is shown in Sheet 10. 2007 Tariff Sheet under the Standby Power

 Approved on an Interim Basis, a Distribution Volumetric Rate in the amount of \$2.6176 /kW
 now appears and in the Specific Service Charges section under Allowances there is no longer a
 Standby Charge.

Please note as well that in Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. filed Managers Summary that item 2 is no longer applicable.

As per direction from Board Staff we will be filing with the Board the following documents re this revision:

- 1. By e-mail, а copy of this letter, the revised model in excel format (Barrie 2007IRMmodel 20070307), the revised model as pdf document а (Barrie\_APPL\_20070307).
- By hardcopy, a copy of this letter, three copies of the sheets which changed in the revised model, those sheets being; Sheet1.LDC Information, Sheet3. 2006 Tariff Sheet, Sheet5. Removal of SM, Sheet6. CDM Adjustment, Sheet7. LCT Adjustment, Sheet8. Dx IRM Adjustment, Sheet9. Addback of Smart Meter Amt, Sheet10. 2007 Tariff Sheet.

Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc. would request that the rates as submitted in this revision be approved.

Please contact me if any further information is required.

Yours truly,

Original signed by Stephen Perry

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