



**EB-2013-0129**

**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 Festival Hydro  
Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and  
other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1,  
2014.

**BEFORE:** Marika Hare  
Presiding Member

Allison Duff  
Member

## **FINAL RATE ORDER**

**April 16, 2014**

Festival Hydro Inc. (“Festival Hydro”) filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) on September 13, 2013 under section 78 of the Act, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Festival Hydro charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2014 (the “Application”).

In its Decision and Rate Order issued on March 13, 2014, the Board ordered Festival Hydro to review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges and to provide written confirmation of its completeness and accuracy, or provide a detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information, within 7 days of the issuance of the Decision and Rate Order.

Festival Hydro filed a reply on March 20, 2014. In its reply, Festival Hydro stated that it planned on filing its 2015 cost of service application in April 2014 with an effective date of January 1, 2015 for rates. Festival Hydro noted that the Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change, approved in the Decision and Order, was to be effective until April 30, 2015. Festival Hydro asked the Board to consider whether the rate rider should have an expiration date of December 31, 2014, given its plans to file an application for 2015 rates to be effective January 1, 2015.

Festival Hydro noted that the Rate Rider for the Recovery of Incremental Capital should be on a per light basis, rather than a per connection basis for the Street Lighting class. Festival Hydro also stated that it had reviewed the IRM models included with the Board's Decision and Rate Order and noted some inconsistencies in the rate generator model.

The Board has reviewed the submissions provided by Festival Hydro. The Board notes Festival Hydro's concerns regarding the expiration date of the Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change. The purpose of the rate rider is to reflect any changes to actual tax rates from the amounts of taxes built in to Festival Hydro's base rates. While Festival Hydro has plans to file its cost of service application for 2015 rates to be effective on January 1, 2015, it has not yet done so. In order to keep customers whole in the event that Festival Hydro does not receive approval for an effective date of January 1, 2015, the Board will leave the current expiry date, as is. Festival Hydro may request the discontinuation of the rate rider in its cost of service application as the actual tax rates, at that time, will be built in to the base rates that are approved by the Board.

The Board has corrected the Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital for the Street Lighting class to reflect that it is a per light charge. The Board has reviewed the inconsistencies in the rate generator model and has determined that the inconsistencies do not affect the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

The Board is satisfied that the 2014 Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Rate Order accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

**THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order will become final effective May 1, 2014, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2014. Festival Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.
2. Festival Hydro shall pay the Board's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, April 16, 2014

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

**Appendix A**  
**To Final Rate Order**  
**Final Tariff of Rates and Charges**  
**Board File No: EB-2013-0129**  
**DATED: April 16, 2014**

# Festival Hydro Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date May 01, 2014

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

A customer is classed as residential when all the following conditions are met:

- (a) the property is zoned strictly residential by the local municipality,
- (b) the account is created and maintained in the customer's name,
- (c) the building is used for dwelling purposes.

Exceptions may be made for properties zoned for farming use, under the following conditions:

- (a) the principal use of the service is for the residence,
- (b) the service size is 200 amperes or less, and the service is 120/240 volt single phase.

Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

## APPLICATION

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## FOR ALL SERVICE AREAS EXCEPT HENSALL

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	15.18
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	1.00
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	2.79
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0169
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0011
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0004)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0072
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051

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**FOR ALL SERVICE AREAS EXCEPT HENSALL (Continued)**

**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component**

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

**FOR HENSALL SERVICE AREA**

**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	15.20
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	0.92
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	2.79
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0164
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0010
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**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component**

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## GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	29.44
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	1.93
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	4.72
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0149
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0010
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0003)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	227.57
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	14.89
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.3333
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0689
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.1527
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(0.0347)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.6136
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8682
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.7761
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.0481

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25



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## LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	10,883.89
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	712.23
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.0100
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0801
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.0661
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(0.0342)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	3.0738
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.3422

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account whose average monthly maximum 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, pedestrian Cross-Walk signals/beacons, railway crossings, etc. The level of the consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/ documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	13.04
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) (per connection) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	0.85
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0129
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0008
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0006)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	2.06
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) (per connection) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	0.13
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	10.8198
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0504
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.7080
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(0.1554)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9812
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4746

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, 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. If connected to the municipal or the Province of Ontario street lighting system, decorative lighting and tree lighting services will be treated as a Street Lighting class of service. Decorative or tree lighting connected to Festival Hydro Inc.'s distribution system will be treated as a General Service Less Than 50 kW class customers. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per light)	\$	1.10
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) (per light) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	0.07
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	5.0151
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0494
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital (2013) - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.3282
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(0.1346)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9712
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4444

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## **microFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Ontario Power Authority's microFIT program and connected to the distributor's distribution system. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

### **APPLICATION**

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### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	5.40
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## ALLOWANCES

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

## SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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### Customer Administration

Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Income Tax Letter	\$	15.00
Credit Reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00

### Non-Payment of Account

Late Payment – per month	%	1.50
Late Payment – per annum	%	19.66
Collection of account charge – no disconnection - during regular business hours	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At Meter – After 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 – During Regular Hours	\$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Temporary Service – Install & remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary Service – Install & remove – underground – no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary Service Install & Remove – Overhead – With Transformer	\$	1,000.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/pole/year	\$	22.35

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## RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments, or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

Retail Service Charges refer to services provided by a distributor to retailers or customers related to the supply of competitive electricity.

One-time charge, per retailer, to establish the service agreement between the distributor and the retailer	\$	100.00
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	20.00
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.50
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.30
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.30)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.25
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.50
Request for customer information as outlined in Section 10.6.3 and Chapter 11 of the Retail Settlement Code directly to retailers and customers, if not delivered electronically through the Electronic Business Transaction (EBT) system, applied to the requesting party		
Up to twice a year	\$	no charge
More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	2.00

## LOSS FACTORS

If the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0307
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0176
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0204
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0075