

EB-2013-0178

**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 Wellington North Power 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

#### RATE ORDER

**April 16, 2014** 

Wellington North Power Inc. ("Wellington North") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 26, 2013 under section 78 of the Act, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Wellington North charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2014.

In its Decision and Order issued on March 13, 2014, the Board ordered Wellington North to file a draft Rate Order and a proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges reflecting the Board's findings in this Decision by March 20, 2014. Board staff provided its comments on the draft Rate Order on March 27, 2014, noting several inconsistencies with the Board findings.

Board staff noted the following: (i) the variable rate riders were rounded to five decimal places instead of the four decimal places that was customary, (ii) Wellington North had included a header for regulatory charges for the microFIT class when no such charges

applied, (iii) the Rate Riders for Incremental Capital did not indicate the correct expiry date and (iv) Wellington North did not include a statement for each class indicating that the charges under the "Regulatory Component" heading do not apply to customers that are wholesale market participants. In its reply, dated March 31, 2014, Wellington North agreed with the changes proposed by Board staff.

The Board agrees with the changes proposed by Board staff and accepted by Wellington North. In addition the Board also notes that the Wellington North's draft Tariff of Rates and Charges incorrectly labeled the loss factor of 1.0609 for primary metered customers as a Distribution Loss Factor, instead of a Total Loss Factor, as approved in Wellington North's current 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 revisions noted above and the Board's Decision and Order.

#### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 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. Wellington North shall notify its
  customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the
  new rates.
- 2. Wellington North 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 Rate Order**

**Final Tariff of Rates and Charges** 

**Board File No: EB-2013-0178** 

**DATED: April 16, 2014** 

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2014

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#### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to Customers residing in residential dwelling units. Energy is generally supplied as single phase, 3-wire, 60-Hertz, having a nominal voltage of 120/240 Volts. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	18.28
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$	0.88
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0183
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0018
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0009
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0041)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0066
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0041
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

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

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### GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to customers in General Service buildings with a connected load less than 50 kW, and Town Houses and Condominiums that require centralized bulk metering. General Service buildings are defined as buildings that are used for purposes other than single-family dwellings. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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

Service Charge	\$	38.80
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	1.87
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0166
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0008
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0041)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034

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

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

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#### **GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	272.76
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$	13.15
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.6226
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6050
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.1746
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0793
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.6100)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5128
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3720
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Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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Service Charge	\$	2,229.30
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$	107.46
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.8706
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6632
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.0902
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0886
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.8090)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.6690
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5041
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/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, railway crossings, decorative street lighting, billboards, 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.

#### **APPLICATION**

Rural Rate Protection Charge

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

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

Service Charge	\$	17.88
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$	0.86
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0144
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kWh	0.0007
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0041)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044

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#### SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge	\$	5.18
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$	0.25
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	19.1573
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4775
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.9234
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.1409
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.5065)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9046
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0829
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0013

0.25

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#### STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, and Ministry of Transportation. 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. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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Service Charge	\$	7.04
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$	0.34
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	7.8382
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4677
Rate Rider for Recovery of Incremental Capital - in effect until the effective date of the next cost		
of service-based rate order	\$/kW	0.3778
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	0.0753
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2015		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.5320)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8950
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0608
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/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.

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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 Administra	

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Notification charge	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Special meter reads	\$	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	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection - during regular business hours	\$	30.00
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
Interval Meter Load Management Tool Charge \$/month	\$	50.00
Service call – customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service Call – Customer-owned Equipment – After Regular Hours	\$	165.00
Temporary Service – Install & remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
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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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	1.0716
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0609