

EB-2014-0162

**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 Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. for an order, approving the recovery of certain amounts related to the restoration of electricity service in the Town of Milton due to an ice storm in December 2013, to be effective November 1, 2014 for 18 months.

**BEFORE:** Christine Long

**Presiding Member** 

Allison Duff Member

## FINAL RATE ORDER

# October 30, 2014

Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. ("Milton Hydro") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on April 16, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for the recovery of certain amounts related to the restoration of electricity service in the Town of Milton due to an ice storm in December 2013.

The Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe") and the Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied for and were granted intervenor status and cost eligibility.

In its Decision and Order issued on October 16, 2014, the Board ordered Milton Hydro to file a draft Rate Order that includes a proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges and all

relevant calculations showing the impact of this Decision and Order on Milton Hydro's determination of the final rates. The Decision and Order also made provision for Board staff and intervenors to comment on the draft Rate Order, including the proposed rates and all calculations within 7 days of filing of the draft Rate Order, as well as a reply submission by Milton Hydro.

Milton Hydro filed a draft Rate Order on October 21, 2014. Board staff and intervenors reviewed the draft and confirmed to the Board they had no issues with the draft Rate Order.

The Board has reviewed the information provided in support of the draft Rate Order and the proposed Tariff of Rates and Charges. The Board is satisfied that the Tariff of Rates and Charges filed by Milton Hydro accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order will become final
effective November 1, 2014, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to
have been consumed on and after November 1, 2014. Milton Hydro shall notify its
customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the
new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, October 30, 2014

## **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

# Appendix A

**To Rate Order** 

**Tariff of Rates and Charges** 

**Board File No: EB-2014-0162** 

DATED: October 30, 2014

Effective and Implementation Date November 1, 2014

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# RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to detached, semi-detached and townhouse residential buildings as defined in local zoning bylaws. A residential service is a single-family unit used for domestic or household purposes, including seasonal occupancy. At Milton Hydro's discretion, residential rates may be applied to apartment buildings with 6 or less units by simple application of the residential rate by blocking the residential rate by the number of units. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

Where the residential dwelling comprises the entire electrical load of a farm, it is defined as a residential service. Where the residential dwelling does not comprise the entire electrical load of the farm:

- The service will be defined as a General Service if the occupant derives his/her principal livelihood from the working of the farm;
- The service will be defined as a Residential Service if the occupant does not derive his/her principal livelihood from the working of the farm;
- Where the residential farm dwelling is supplied by one separately metered service and the electrical loads in
  other buildings are supplied by a different separately metered service, then the former is defined as a Residential
  Service and the latter is defined as a General Service.

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

Service Charge	\$	15.21
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2015	\$	0.03
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	\$	0.08
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016	\$	1.09
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0142
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0079
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059

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# RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

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

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# GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge	\$	16.19
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2015	\$	0.03
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	\$	0.08
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016	\$	2.78
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0172
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kWh	0.0000
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0073
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0013

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# GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

Service Charge	\$	76.87
Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016	\$	21.98
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.5613
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0792
Minimum Distribution Charge – per kW of maximum billing demand in the previous 11 months	\$/kW	0.5872
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(0.0059)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.2717
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4335
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 1,000 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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

Service Charge Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016 Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Minimum Distribution Charge – per kW of maximum billing demand in the previous 11 months Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$ \$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	886.47 255.62 2.7974 0.0779 0.5872 (0.0065) 3.2178
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW \$/kW	3.2178 2.3938
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component		

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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**

#### 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 refers to the supply of electricity to unmetered loads less than 50 kW including traffic signals and pedestrian X-walks signals/beacons, bus shelters, telephone booths, signs, Cable TV amplifiers and decorative lighting and tree lighting connected to Milton Hydro's distribution system, and similar small unmetered loads. 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) Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016 Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$ \$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	7.75 0.94 0.0164 0.0002 (0.0001) 0.0073 0.0052
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

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

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	2.40
Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.15
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	18.2017
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0544
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015	\$/kW	(0.0669)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2272
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6713
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#### **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

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

Service Charge (per connection) Rate Rider for Recovery of Ice Storm Cost – effective until April 30, 2016 Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Service Rate Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change – effective until April 30, 2015 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$ \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW \$/kW	2.01 0.16 8.8034 0.0532 (0.0243) 2.2158
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW \$/kW	2.2158 1.6370
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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 GENERATOR 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 Administration		
Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Statement of account	\$	15.00
Easement letter	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Non-Payment of Account		
Late Payment - per month	%	1.50
Late Payment - per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charges for non payment of account - At Meter During Regular Hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charges for non payment of account - At Meter After Hours	\$	185.00
Optional Interval/TOU Meter charge \$/month	\$	5.50
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35
Clearance Pole Attachment charge \$/pole/year	\$	5.59

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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	1.0362
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0149
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0258
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0048