Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2014-0118

**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 Wasaga Distribution Incorporated for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2015.

By Delegation, Before: Lynne Anderson

### **DECISION and RATE ORDER**

[Date]

Wasaga Distribution Incorporated ("Wasaga") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on November 3, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Wasaga charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2015 (the "Application").

Wasaga last appeared before the Board with a cost of service application for the 2012 rate year in the EB-2011-0103 proceeding. To adjust its 2015 rates, Wasaga selected the Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting option (the "Price Cap IR") which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates and charges in the period between cost of service proceedings. The Application met the Board's filing requirements<sup>1</sup> for filings by rate-regulated electricity distributors ("distributors") applying for annual rate adjustments under Price Cap IR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Report of the Board: Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity Distributors: A Performance-Based Approach (October 18, 2012); and Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications (July 25, 2014)

While the entire record in this proceeding has been considered by me, this decision will make reference only to such information as is necessary to provide context to my conclusions. The following issues are addressed in this Decision and Rate Order:

- Price Cap Index Adjustment;
- Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates; and
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances.

#### Price Cap Index Adjustment

The Price Cap IR option is a streamlined regulatory process designed to provide distributors with sufficient revenue to cover cost increases due to inflation while providing an incentive structure to drive productivity improvements.

Under the Price Cap IR option<sup>2</sup>, distribution rates are adjusted by an inflation factor, less the sum of a productivity factor and a stretch factor. Based on its established method<sup>3</sup>, the Board has set the inflation factor for 2015 rates at 1.6% and the productivity factor remains zero percent. The Board also determined that the stretch factor can range from 0.0% to 0.6%, assigned based on a distributor's cost evaluation ranking. The Board assigned Wasaga a stretch factor of 0.0% based on the updated benchmarking study for use for rates effective in 2015<sup>4</sup>.

As a result, the net price cap index adjustment for Wasaga is 1.60% (i.e. 1.6% - (0% + 0.0%)). The price cap index adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across all customer classes. The price cap index adjustment does not apply to the components of delivery rates set out in the list below:

- Rate Riders;
- Rate Adders;
- Low Voltage Service Charges;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates;
- Wholesale Market Service Rate;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Report on Rate Setting Parameters and Benchmarking under the Renewed Regulatory Framework for Ontario's Electricity Distributors (December 4, 2013)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As outlined in the Report cited at footnote 2 above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Report to the Ontario Energy Board – "Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2013 Benchmarking Update." Pacific Economics Group LLC. July, 2014.

- Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge;
- Standard Supply Service Administrative Charge;
- Transformation and Primary Metering Allowances;
- Loss Factors;
- Specific Service Charges;
- MicroFit Charge; and
- Retail Service Charges.

#### **Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge**

The Board has determined that the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection ("RRRP") benefit and charge for 2015 shall remain \$0.0013 per kWh<sup>5</sup>. The Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Rate Order reflects this RRRP charge.

### **Retail Transmission Service Rates**

Electricity distributors are charged for transmission costs at the wholesale level and then pass on these charges to their distribution customers through their Retail Transmission Service Rates ("RTSRs"). Variance accounts 1584 and 1586 are used to capture differences in the rate that a distributor pays for wholesale transmission service relative to the retail rate that the distributor is authorized to charge when billing its customers.

The Board has issued guidelines<sup>6</sup> which outline the information that the Board requires electricity distributors to file in order to adjust their RTSRs for 2015. The RTSR guideline requires electricity distributors to adjust their RTSRs based on a comparison of historical transmission costs adjusted for the new Uniform Transmission Rates ("UTR") and the revenues generated under existing RTSRs. Similarly, embedded distributors, such as Wasaga, must adjust their RTSRs to reflect any changes to the applicable RTSRs of their host distributor, which in this case is Hydro One Networks Inc.

The Board approved new rates for Hydro One's Sub-Transmission class, including the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Decision with Reasons and Rate Order, EB-2014-0347

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Guideline G-2008-0001 - Electricity Distribution Retail Transmission Service Rates, revision 4.0 (June 28, 2012)

applicable RTSRs<sup>7</sup>, as shown in the following table:

Network Service Rate	\$xx per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$xx per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$xx per kW

#### 2015 Sub-Transmission RTSRs

I conclude that these 2015 Sub-Transmission class RTSRs are to be incorporated into the filing module to adjust the RTSRs that Wasaga will charge its customers accordingly.

#### **Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances**

The Board's policy on deferral and variance accounts<sup>8</sup> provides that, during the IRM plan term, the distributor's Group 1 account balances will be reviewed and disposed if the preset disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh, whether in the form of a debit or credit, is exceeded. The onus is on the distributor to justify why any account balance in excess of the threshold should not be disposed. If the balances are below this threshold, the distributor may propose to dispose of balances.

Wasaga's 2013 actual year-end total balance for Group 1 accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2015 is a debit of \$761,970. This amount results in a total debit claim of \$0.0061 per kWh, which exceeds the preset disposition threshold. Wasaga proposes to dispose of this debit amount over a three-year period in order to mitigate the rate impacts for customers.

The balances proposed for disposition are the same as the amounts reported as part of the Board's *Reporting and Record-Keeping Requirements*. I note that there is an unusually large balance in Account 1595 (2009). Wasaga provided a response to Board staff noting that the rate riders were calculated based on 2008 volumes but were paid out to customers from May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2013. Due to growth, more was paid to customers than approved by the Board, resulting in a large debit balance. I also note that the account should be called Account 1595 (2010).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Rate Order, EB-2013-0416, issued xxxx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (July 31, 2009)

I approve the disposition of a debit balance of \$761,970 as of December 31, 2013, including interest projected to April 30, 2015 for Group 1 accounts.

In the EDDVAR report<sup>9</sup>, the Board found that the default disposition period to clear the Group 1 account balances should be one year. The Report also established a mitigation threshold of 10% for any given rate class, including the impact of both the disposition of Account balances and any other rate change. While I recognize Wasaga's concern about mitigating rate impacts for customers, I note that the bill impact is almost exclusively a result of the expiration on April 30, 2015 of rate riders that have been refunding a significant balance to customers since 2012. The Group 1 debit balance, excluding Account 1589, is not large enough to offset to any significant degree the effects of such a large credit disappearing from the bill, therefore a longer disposition period will have little effect on the bill impact.

However, I note that the debit for Account 1589, which applies to customers not on the regulated price plan (Non RPP), is relatively large resulting in a significant bill impact for these Non RPP customers if recovered over a single year. I agree that some mitigation of these bill impacts is appropriate.

In clearing these Group 1 variance accounts customers in the future are paying for variances created in the past, therefore the time period for disposition should be kept as short as reasonable, while considering bill impacts. Taking into account the situation of both the RPP and Non RPP customers I conclude that the Group 1 balances should be recovered over two years.

The table below identifies the principal and interest amounts which the Board approves for disposition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR), p. 24

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance A	Interest Balance B	Total Claim C = A + B
LV Variance Account	1550	\$64,445	\$1,743	\$66,188
Smart Meter Entity Variance Charge	1551	\$5,380	\$271	\$5,651
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(\$80,379)	(\$2,295)	(\$82,674)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	\$44,077	\$1,687	\$45,764
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	(\$97,117)	(\$1,945)	(\$99,062)
RSVA - Power	1588	(\$42,071)	(\$1,924)	(\$43,995)
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	\$428,197	\$12,217	\$440,414
Recovery of Regulatory Asset Balances	1590	0	0	0
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2009)	1595	\$354,435	\$75,248	\$429,684
Total Group 1 Excluding Global Adjustment – Account 1589		\$248,771	\$72,785	\$321,556
Total Group 1		\$676,968	\$85,002	\$761,970

<b>Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balanc</b>	es
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The balance of each Group 1 account approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595. Such transfer shall be pursuant to the requirements specified in Article 220, Account Descriptions, of the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors,* effective January 1, 2012. The date of the transfer must be the same as the effective date for the associated rates, which is, generally, the start of the rate year. Wasaga should ensure these adjustments are included in the reporting period ending June 30, 2015 (Quarter 2).

# Disposition of Deferral and Variance Accounts for Class A customers and Wholesale Market Participants

As indicated in the Filing Requirements<sup>10</sup>, distributors must establish separate rate riders to recover the balances in the retail settlement variance accounts from market participants in order that they not be allocated any balances related to charges which they settle directly with the IESO (e.g. wholesale energy, wholesale market services).

The Board further determined that a distributor who serves Class A customers per Ontario Regulation 429/04 must propose an appropriate allocation for the recovery of the global adjustment variance balance based on its settlement process with the Independent Electricity System Operator.

In response to a request from Board staff, Wasaga confirmed that it has one customer in the GS >50 to 4,999 kW rate class that is also a market participant and that RSVA balances have not been allocated to this customer.

Wasaga has no Class A customers.

I conclude that Wasaga has appropriately addressed the allocation issues relating to wholesale market participants.

#### Rate Model

With this Decision and Rate Order are a rate model, applicable supporting models and a Tariff of Rates and Charges (Appendix A). Entries in the rate models were reviewed to ensure that they were in accordance with the 2014 Board-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges. The rate model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies.

**DATED** at Toronto, [Date]

#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See footnote 1

Appendix A To Decision and Rate Order Tariff of Rates and Charges Board File No: EB-2014-0118 DATED: [Date]

This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

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### **RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separately 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. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartment building also qualify as residential customers. 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	\$	11.57
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0144
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0019
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0020)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0048)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0141
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0069
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0091
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
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 LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification refers to a non residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly average peak demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW. 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	\$	13.54
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0137
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0016
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0020)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0048)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0141
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0069
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0091
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0053
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
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**

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 5,000 kW. 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	\$	31.05
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.7118
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5944
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(1.2127)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(1.8780)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	8.5730
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	2.7093
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017		
Applicable only for Non Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	0.5000
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017		
Applicable only for Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	0.6938
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers, excluding Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	3.3952
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1850
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5069
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

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#### APPLICATION

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

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	3.91
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0078
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0020)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0048)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017	\$/kWh	0.0013
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0053
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
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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### STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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

#### APPLICATION

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

Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	1.47
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	0.8798
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4595
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2011) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.6695)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(1.6907)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	2.4391
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017	\$/kW	0.4405
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2017		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	3.2300
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6480
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1649
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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### 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
Statement of Account	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Income Tax Letter	\$	15.00
Account History	\$	15.00
Credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (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	\$	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
Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Other		
Service call – customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/pole/year	\$	22.35

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# **RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)**

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order 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 or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable.

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	1.0810
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0702