

EB-2014-0057

**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 Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation 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 March 19, 2015

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation ("Bluewater Power") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 29, 2014 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that Bluewater Power charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2015 (the "Application").

Bluewater Power last appeared before the Board with a cost of service application for the 2013 rate year in the EB-2012-0107 proceeding. To adjust its 2015 rates, Bluewater Power 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.

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<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 Bluewater Power a stretch factor of 0.3% 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 Bluewater Power is 1.3% (i.e. 1.6 % - (0% + 0.3%)). 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;

<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.

- Wholesale Market Service Rate;
- 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, partially embedded distributors, such as Bluewater Power, 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.

<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)

The Board has adjusted the UTRs effective January 1, 2015<sup>7</sup>, as shown in the following table:

#### 2015 Uniform Transmission Rates

Network Service Rate	\$3.78 per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.86 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$2.00 per kW

The Board has not yet established Hydro One's sub-transmission class rates for 2015, including the retail transmission service rates for this class. I will therefore approve the RTSRs as adjusted in this Application so that they reflect those which currently apply to this class, as shown in the following table. The differences arising from the new 2015 rates, once approved, will be captured in Accounts 1584 and 1586 for future disposition.

#### 2014 Sub-Transmission RTSRs

Network Service Rate	\$3.23 per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.65 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.62 per kW

I conclude that these 2015 UTRs and 2014 Sub-Transmission class RTSRs are to be incorporated into the filing module to adjust the RTSRs that Bluewater Power 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 2015 Uniform Electricity Transmission Rate Order, EB-2014-0357

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

Bluewater Power's 2013 actual year-end total balance for Group 1 accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2015 is a credit of \$663,694. This amount results in a total credit claim of \$0.0007 per kWh, which does not exceed the preset disposition threshold. Nevertheless, Bluewater Power proposed to dispose of this credit amount over a one-year period.

The balances proposed for disposition are the same as the amounts reported as part of the Board's *Reporting and Record-Keeping Requirements*. I approve the disposition of a credit balance of \$663,694 as of December 31, 2013, including interest projected to April 30, 2015 for Group 1 accounts. These balances are to be disposed over a one-year period from May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2016.

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

**Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances** 

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance A	Interest Balance B	Total Claim (\$) C = A + B
LV Variance Account	1550	(\$61,591)	\$(1,641)	(\$63,232)
Smart Meter Entity Variance Charge	1551	\$29,148	\$1,196	\$30,344
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(\$1,182,611)	(\$68,233)	(\$1,250,844)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	\$15,168	(\$7,426)	\$7,742
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	(\$105,214)	(\$6,826)	(\$112,040)
RSVA - Power	1588	(\$78,508)	\$4,571	(\$73,937)
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	\$833,782	\$32,528	\$866,310
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2009)	1595	(\$66,733)	(\$1,304)	(\$68,037)
Total Group 1 Excluding Global Adjustment – Account 1589		(\$1,450,341)	(\$79,663)	(\$1,530,004)
Total Group 1		(\$616,559)	(\$47,135)	(\$663,694)

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. Bluewater Power 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>9</sup>, distributors must establish separate rate riders to recover the balances in the retail settlement variance accounts from Market Participants ("MPs") in order that they not be allocated any balances related to charges for which the MPs 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 IESO.

Bluewater Power confirmed that its Class A consumers have been excluded from the allocation of the recovery of global adjustment variance account balances because its settlement process with the IESO for these customers does not result in a variance.

I conclude that Bluewater Power has appropriately addressed the allocation to both Market Participants and Class A consumers.

#### 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 model 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.

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<sup>9</sup> See footnote 1

#### THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Decision and Rate
Order is approved effective May 1, 2015 for electricity consumed or estimated to
have been consumed on and after such date. Bluewater Power Distribution
Corporation shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery
of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, March 19, 2015

### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

## Appendix A

**To Decision and Rate Order** 

**Tariff of Rates and Charges** 

**Board File No: EB-2014-0057** 

**DATED: March 19, 2015** 

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2015

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### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

All service supplied to single-family dwelling units for domestic or household purposes shall be classed as residential service. Where electricity service is provided for combined residential and business purposes (including agricultural usage) and the wiring does not provide for separate metering, the classification shall be in the discretion of Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation ("Bluewater Power") and shall be based on such considerations as the estimated predominant consumption or the municipal tax roll classification. A residential customer may be found in a detached, semi-detached, linear row housing, apartment building or mixed-use building. Where more than one dwelling is served by a single meter, that service shall be considered a General Service Customer. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	15.90
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0217
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0016)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0024
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0068
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0058
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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## GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a customer not designated as Residential, and that over a twelve month period has, or a new customer forecast to have, an average monthly peak demand less than 50 kW, and has a monthly peak demand that never exceeds 100 kW. Bluewater Power shall review this rate class designation on an annual basis and the customer's designated rate class may change as a result. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	27.32
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets - effective until April 30, 2017	\$	4.66
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0191
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0017)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0024
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051
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 999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	145.86
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.2391
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0748
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	*****	,
Not applicable to Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	(0.6204)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only to Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	(0.0928)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers and excluding Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kWh	0.0024
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5672
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0589
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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#### **APPLICATION**

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Service Charge	\$	3,206.48
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.7293
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0820
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.8232)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0024
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.7266
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2571
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

This classification applies to a customer not designated as Residential, and that over 12 consecutive billing periods has, or a new customer forecast to have, an average monthly peak demand equal to or greater than 5,000 kW. This rate class designation is reviewed on an annual basis and the customer's designated rate class may change as a result. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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\$	25,091.59
\$/kW	1.8844
\$/kW	0.0938
\$/kW	(1.1329)
\$/kW	(0.1437)
\$/kW	3.0191
\$/kW	2.5811
\$/kWh	0.0044
\$/kWh	0.0013
\$	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 a new customer 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, etc. The level of the consumption will be agreed to by Bluewater Power 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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Service Charge (per connection)	\$	12.28
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0334
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0017)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051
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)	\$	3.95
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	26.0745
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0590
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.7661)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9459
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6250

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

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\$	2.46
\$/kW	19.0705
\$/kW	0.0578
\$/kW	(0.6441)
\$/kWh	0.0024
\$/kW	1.9361
\$/kW	1.5918
\$/kWh	0.0044
\$/kWh	0.0013
\$	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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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.

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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

Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter - After Hours

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#### **Customer Administration**

Duplicate Invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Income Tax Letter	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	10.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Account History	\$	15.00
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

#### Other

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	1.0421
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0170
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0316
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0069