Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2014-0059

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 Burlington Hydro Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2015.

BEFORE: Marika Hare

Presiding Member

Allison Duff Member

FINAL RATE ORDER March 30, 2015

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

In its Decision and Rate Order, issued on March 19, 2015, the Board ordered Burlington 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.

Burlington Hydro filed a reply on March 26, 2015. In its reply, Burlington Hydro noted that the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges included a rate rider for Smart Metering Entity

Charge Over-Recovery, which expires on April 30, 2015. Since the effective date of the Tariff of Rates and Charges is May 1, 2015, Burlington Hydro requested that the expiring rate rider be removed.

The Board concurs with the comments provided by Burlington Hydro and accordingly has updated the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

The Board is satisfied that the 2015 Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Rate Order accurately reflects the updates.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order is final, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2015. Burlington Hydro shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.
- 2. Burlington Hydro shall pay the Board's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, March 30, 2015 **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-2014-0059

DATED: March 30, 2015

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2015

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to low voltage connection assets that operate at 750 volts or less and supply electrical energy to residential customers where such energy is used exclusively in 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 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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Service Charge	\$	12.03
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	1.73
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Rate Rider for Ice Storm Cost Recovery - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.38
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0164
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0014)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(8000.0)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0015)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0022
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0078
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
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

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APPLICATION

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Service Charge	\$	25.09
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	8.40
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Rate Rider for Ice Storm Cost Recovery - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	0.96
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0135
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0012)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
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	0.0022
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0074
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0055
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 applies to general service customers with a monthly average peak demand during a calendar year equal to or greater than, or is forecast by BHI 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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Service Charge	\$	58.80
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	35.95
Rate Rider for Ice Storm Cost Recovery - effective until April 30, 2016	\$	9.32
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.8949
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.5488)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.2506
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.2943)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.5763)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.8077
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.0123
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2960
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	3.0558
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.4237
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 low voltage connection assets that operate at 750 volts or less and supply electricity to general service customers whose monthly average peak demand during a calendar year is less than, or forecast by BHI 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 customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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Service Charge (per connection)	\$	9.01
Rate Rider for Ice Storm Cost Recovery - effective until April 30, 2016 (per connection)	\$	0.26
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0156
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(0.0015)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kWh	(8000.0)
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	0.0022
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0074
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0055
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 refers to roadway lighting customers such as the City of Burlington, the Regional Municipality of Halton, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The daily consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required night time or 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 (per connection)	\$	0.60
Rate Rider for Ice Storm Cost Recovery - effective until April 30, 2016 (per connection)	\$	0.02
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.3600
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.5237)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2014) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.2327
Rate Rider for Disposition of Account 1576 - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.2734)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016	\$/kW	(0.5656)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2015) - effective until April 30, 2016		
Applicable only for Non RPP Customers	\$/kW	0.7928
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2332
Retail Transmission Rate - Line Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7248
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.

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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 Credit Reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs) Statement of Account Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable) Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$ \$ \$ \$	15.00 15.00 15.00 30.00 15.00
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
Other		
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	1.0373
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5.000 kW	1.0270