

## RENEWED OR EXTENDED CONTRACT TO BUY ELECTRICITY FOR A HOME

*For use on and after January 1, 2017*

*[Energy retailer may include its business name and logo and on this and subsequent pages of the contract. Energy retailer may also include contract identification information at the bottom of this and subsequent pages of the contract.]*

See [section 2](#) for what different words mean in this Contract.

### 1 What you are buying and from who

Energy Retailer information	<p><i>[Insert name and licence number of energy retailer]</i></p> <p><i>[Name of energy retailer] is not your Electricity Utility. We are licensed by the Ontario Energy Board to sell electricity. Our electricity licence number is [Energy retailer to insert electricity retailer licence number].</i></p> <p><a href="#">Section 7</a> tells you how to contact us for different reasons.</p>
Your information	<p><i>[Insert customer name and contact information for the customer. Other customer information needed by the energy retailer to manage the contract may be added/solicited as required. If the utility account number for the residential property to be supplied is to be noted, it can be included here or in the next item.]</i></p>
Address of the Home to be supplied under this Contract	<p><i>[Insert address of residential property to be supplied under the contract]</i></p>
Contract Price: What you pay for electricity under this Contract	<p><i>[Where the renewal / extension form provided to the customer includes only one price option in relation to price for electricity, the energy retailer shall check the applicable box.]</i></p> <p>Type of Contract Price:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fixed price   <input type="checkbox"/> Variable price   <input type="checkbox"/> Flat price   <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p><i>[Energy retailer to include details of the contract price. Energy retailer may include the name that the energy retailer uses for the product in question, preceded by the words "We call this".]</i></p> <p><i>[If the renewal / extension form provided to the customer required the customer to select from among various renewal / extension price options for electricity, the energy retailer shall include the following sentences: The Contract Price is the price that you choose from the different options on the [renewal or extension] form that we sent you with this Contract. Please refer to the [renewal or extension] form for details.]</i></p>

	<p><a href="#">Section 4.2</a> tells you more about the Contract Price. It also tells you what part of your electricity bills the Contract Price covers.</p>
Other energy costs: Charges you will continue to pay to others	<p>The Contract Price is only for part of your total electricity bill. You will remain responsible for paying other charges to have electricity delivered to the Home. You will also remain responsible for paying your share of the Global Adjustment. The electricity Price Comparison that we gave you with this Contract shows that the Global Adjustment was \$XX.XX/kWh <i>[Energy retailer to insert the GA amount as per the price comparison provided to the consumer]</i> for the month of <i>[Energy retailer to insert month/year]</i>. But the amount of the Global Adjustment can change every month.</p> <p><a href="#">Section 4.3</a> tells you more about these other charges, including where to find more information about the Global Adjustment.</p>
Contract Length	<p>The Contract Length starts on the Contract Start Date.</p> <p><i>[Where the renewal/extension form provided to the customer includes only one option in relation to term for electricity, the energy retailer shall include the following:</i></p> <p>You will buy your electricity from <i>[insert name of energy retailer]</i> for: <i>[Energy retailer to check the applicable box. Where energy retailer checks "Other", energy retailer to insert details regarding the contract term below the boxes.]</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 year   <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years   <input type="checkbox"/> 5 years   <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</p> <p><i>[Where the renewal/extension form provided to the customer required the customer to select from among various terms for electricity, the energy retailer shall include the following sentences: The Contract Length is the period of time that you choose from the different options on the <i>[renewal or extension]</i> form that we sent you with this Contract. Please refer to the <i>[renewal or extension]</i> form for details.]</i></p>
Contract Start Date	<p>This Contract will start on <i>[insert effective date]</i>.</p>
Your right to change your mind	<p>You told us that you wanted this Contract by telephone or by returning to us a signed copy of the <i>[renewal or extension]</i> form that we sent to you with this Contract. You have 14 days from that telephone call or from when you returned the signed form to us to change your mind. The <a href="#">Energy Consumer Protection Act</a> gives you this right. If you tell us that you have changed your mind in those 14 days, this Contract will end. You will not have to pay a Cancellation Fee.</p> <p><a href="#">Section 5.1</a> tells you about your right to change your mind.</p>

Your rights to end this Contract	<p>You can end this Contract for different reasons. If you end this Contract more than 30 days after you get your second bill under the Contract Price, you may have to pay a Cancellation Fee.</p> <p><a href="#">Section 5.2</a> tells you about your rights to end this Contract.  <a href="#">Section 5.3</a> tells you about Cancellation Fees.</p>
Our rights to end this Contract	<p>We can end this Contract for different reasons. <i>[Energy retailer to insert if applicable: If we end the Contract, you may have to pay an Early Exit Fee.]</i></p> <p><a href="#">Section 5.4</a> tells you about our rights to end this Contract.  <i>[Energy retailer to insert if applicable: <a href="#">Section 5.5</a> tells you about Early Exit Fees]</i></p>

## 2 What words mean in this Contract

“We”, “us” and “our” refer to *[insert energy retailer name]*.

“You” and “your” refers to the person whose name is set out beside “[Your information](#)” in section 1.

“Account Holder” is the person whose name is on the Electricity Utility bills for the Home.

“Cancellation Fee” is what you may have to pay if you end this Contract for no reason more than 30 days after you get your second bill with the Contract Price.

“Contract Length” is how long this Contract will last.

“Contract Price” is what you agree to pay under this Contract for electricity that you buy from us for the Home.

*[Energy retailer to insert if applicable: “Early Exit Fee” is what you agree to pay if we end this Contract.]*

“Electricity Utility” is the electricity company that runs the wires that bring electricity to the Home. An Electricity Utility is also called a distributor or a distribution company.

“Energy Consumer Protection Act” is the [Energy Consumer Protection Act, 2010](#) and any [regulation](#) made under that Act.

“Home” is the property that is supplied with electricity under this Contract as shown in section 1.

### **3 Your authority to agree to this Contract; Billing under this Contract**

#### **3.1 You are the Account Holder or the Account Holder’s spouse or agent**

You have told us that:

- a. you are the Account Holder for the Home;
- b. you are the spouse of the Account Holder for the Home; or
- c. the Account Holder has given you permission to accept this Contract to supply electricity to the Home.

#### **3.2 Delivery and billing**

Your Electricity Utility will continue to deliver electricity to the Home. They will also continue to read your electricity meter.

Your Electricity Utility will also normally continue to bill you on our behalf for electricity supplied to the Home under this Contract. Your electricity bills will be sent to you in accordance with your Electricity Utility’s usual requirements and schedules for things like billing and payment dates and security deposits.

*[Energy retailer to insert if applicable: We reserve the right to bill you directly.]*

*[Energy retailer may include further details regarding billing and collections pertaining to the energy retailer’s own practices in section 4.4 or as part of the additional terms and conditions contemplated at the end of this document, as applicable.]*

### **4 Contract Price and other energy costs you will continue to pay**

#### **4.1 Agreement to buy from us**

You agree to buy from us all of the electricity used at the Home, other than any electricity that is supplied by a generator that is on or directly connected to the Home.

Your agreement to buy from us lasts until the end of the Contract Length. The [Contract Length](#) is shown in section 1.

#### **4.2 Contract Price: What you pay for electricity under this Contract**

You agree that you will pay the Contract Price for the electricity that you buy from us.

The [Contract Price](#) is shown in section 1. It includes:

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The price for the electricity used in the Home. Electricity use is measured in kilowatt hours or “kWh”.

Any other charge listed in section 1 as part of the [Contract Price](#).

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#### **4.3 Other energy costs: Charges you will continue to pay to others**

There are other charges that you will continue to pay in addition to the Contract Price.

These other charges are:

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What you have to pay your Electricity Utility to bring electricity to the Home.

Your share of the Global Adjustment. More information about the Global Adjustment is in the Price Comparison that we gave you with the Contract. It is also explained on the Ontario Energy Board’s website at [www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Consumers](http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Consumers). The Ontario Energy Board is the independent government agency that regulates the electricity and natural gas sectors in Ontario.

Taxes

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#### **4.4 How you pay, deposits, late payments etc.**

*[Energy retailer to insert details as required by the Energy Consumer Protection Act]*

### **5 Ending the Contract**

#### **5.1 You can change your mind about this Contract**

The [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) says that you can change your mind about this Contract. You can do that within 14 days from the day you told us that you wanted this Contract by telephone or by returning to us a signed copy of the *[renewal or extension]* form that we sent

to you with this Contract. If you tell us that you have changed your mind in those 14 days, this Contract will end. You will not have to pay any Cancellation Fees.

## 5.2 You can end this Contract if...

The [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) says that you can end or “cancel” this Contract for different reasons if you want to.

You can end this Contract up to 30 days after you receive the second bill that is charging you the Contract Price. You will not have to pay any Cancellation Fees. But you have to pay those bills.

You can also end this Contract for any of the reasons below. You will not have to pay any Cancellation Fees.

1. If you move out of the Home for good.
2. If this Contract does not meet the rules in the [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) or the rules set by the Ontario Energy Board.
3. If we did something that the [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) says is an unfair practice. Some of the unfair practices are:
  - a. If we said something that is not true or that can mislead you
  - b. If you are not the Account Holder or the Account Holder’s spouse or agent
  - c. If we did not follow the Ontario Energy Board’s consumer protection rules
4. If the [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) says that we have to record a telephone call or an internet transaction that we or someone acting for us have with you, and we do not give you a copy within 10 days after you ask for it.
5. If this Contract is changed, renewed or extended at a time when we have not given the Ontario Energy Board information that we must give them each year.
6. If this Contract is the result of our having automatically renewed or extended a contract that you had with us before.

The [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) also says that you can end this Contract at any other time for no reason. You have to give us 10 days’ notice that you want to end this Contract for no reason. In this case, we can charge you a Cancellation Fee (see [section 5.3](#)).

Nothing in this Contract can take away or change any of the rights to end the Contract that the [Energy Consumer Protection Act](#) gives you.

*[Energy retailer to insert the text below if applicable]*

We will also let you end the Contract for these other reasons: *[Energy retailer to insert details as required by the Energy Consumer Protection Act]*

### **5.3 Cancellation Fees**

*[Energy retailer to insert the text below if applicable. If the energy retailer is not charging a Cancellation Fee or is charging an amount less than the Cancellation Fee provided for in the Energy Consumer Protection Act, the energy retailer may replace the text below with the appropriate details as required by the Energy Consumer Protection Act.]*

If you end this Contract for no reason more than 30 days after you receive the second bill that is charging you the Contract Price, we can charge you a Cancellation Fee. The Cancellation Fee cannot be more than \$50 if the Home used up to 15,000 kWh of electricity in the 12 months before you end this Contract.

If the Home used more than 15,000 kWh of electricity in the 12 months before you end this Contract, the highest Cancellation Fee is:

$\$0.015 \times [\text{amount of electricity used in the Home in those 12 months} \div 12] \times \# \text{ of months or part months left to go in the Contract Length.}$

### **5.4 We can end this Contract if...**

We can end this Contract for different reasons: *[Energy retailer to insert details as required by the Energy Consumer Protection Act]*

*[Energy retailer to insert the following if applicable:]*

### **5.5 Early Exit Fees**

*[Energy retailer to insert details]*

## **6 Transferring the Contract**

*[Energy retailer to insert details as required by the Energy Consumer Protection Act]*

## **7 How to Contact Us...**

*[Energy retailer to insert details for 7.1 to 7.3 as required by the Energy Consumer Protection Act]*

**7.1 If you have a complaint or question**

**7.2 To renew or extend this Contract**

**7.3 To change your mind or end this Contract**

*[Energy retailer to insert section 8 if applicable]*

## **8 Making changes to this Contract**

We cannot change this Contract without first asking you if you agree. If we want to change the Contract, we will send you the change in writing or ask you about it over the phone. If you agree to the change, we will send you a copy in writing. After you get that copy, you have 20 days to change your mind and tell us that you do not want the change after all.

*[Energy retailer may insert any other contract terms and conditions below, as long as they are in plain language and are not inconsistent with the standard contract terms and conditions. ]*