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LETTER OF COMMENT

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With respect to the Hydro One Report on Elimination of the Seasonal Class Update issued December 1, 2016 I have a few comments and concerns regarding the impacts of Seasonal Rate Migration listed in Tables 7, and 8 of the document.

In trying to analyze the numbers and the impact to the Seasonal Rate migration plan to the R1 rate class I cannot come up with the same impacts as Hydro One has portrayed in this document. As my situation is specific to the Seasonal to R1 migration, I did not look at other rate class impacts, but clearly in my case the proposed value to my rate class migration would seem to be understated.

As Hydro One would seem to be leaning toward leaving this as "Status Quo" by continued reference to the fact that the impact to those migrating to the R1 Class will receive minimal benefit, as opposed to those moving to the R2 Class who would see a considerable increase in rates, I have tested their calculations based on my own power usage for the 2016 year to date. Interestingly in Table 7 they identify for Seasonal-R1 Rate Class at a monthly consumption of 350 kWh a 2016 Total Bill (\$) of 124.09 which would reflect only a small .03 percent reduction with the Status Quo, and a reduction of 16.7 percent reduction with the 2017 Seasonal Rate eliminated. I can't make these numbers add up so I have compiled the following table with a real world example, my power usage actuals in Sturgeon Falls for 2016.

2017 Distribution Rate/Cost Forecast with Migration
Rate Class Usage kWh/12 Months Fixed Cost for 12 months Variable Rate
(S .0635/R1 .0230) Total Distribution Costs Percent Decrease
Seasonal 4400 \$435.36 \$279.40 \$714.76
R1 4400 \$405.24 \$101.20 \$506.44

Change NIL -\$30.12 -\$178.20 -\$208.32 29.14%

I guess my point on this issue is every one with interest in this matter is going to provide evidence with rose colored glasses, and to be expected Hydro One is clearly going to move forward in a manner that is in their best interest. But what I have laid out in with the above information is the actual impact that I will or will not see based on the decision being considered by the OEB. No shell game here, these are my costs and actual usage, so How does Hydro One portray a 16.7 percent reduction when some basic math would indicate the actual impact is 29.14%.

As we get more information from Hydro One on this matter I would greatly appreciate considering my comments when final proceedings begin.

Many Thanks
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