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Subject: Re: Hydro EB-2017-0049 [CSE: OroqwU, TKT: CDIAsO]

Thank you for responding.

I would like to say the following about Hydro's request to increase delivery charges:

I live in a rural community where delivery charges seem to be a big chunk of our hydro bill. I work at a contract position only 26 hours a week, only 43 weeks a year. I work for a non-profit agency who has not had any increase in funding for 14 years, so I haven't had a raise in ten years until this year and it was a 1% increase. Hydro is not a luxury, it is a necessity of life. I cannot afford to keep being charged increases. I strongly oppose any raise in rates. Many of us have to learn to tighten our belts again and again and so should Hydro One. We have a large senior population living on fixed incomes and they too can't afford yearly increases. Rural areas have the lowest wages, and much of the work is seasonal employment, yet the highest delivery charges. It is not a fair system. Thank you for making the decision makers aware of my opinion.

Beverlea Jackson