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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (“Toronto Hydro”)  
Custom Incentive Rate-setting (“Custom IR”) Application for 2020-2024 Electricity  
Distribution Rates and Charges – Evidence Update  
OEB File No. EB-2018-0165**

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Pursuant to Rule 11.03 of the OEB’s *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, Toronto Hydro is filing an evidence update. The nature of the updates are summarized in Table 1 below. Toronto Hydro has also submitted the live Excel versions for the relevant appendices and models. Updates to the applicable evidence are marked by /C.

**Table 1: List of Updates**

	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Update</b>	<b>Reference</b>
1	Updated Table of Contents	Toronto Hydro has updated its Table of Contents as a result of the updates stated herein.	Exhibit 1, Tab 1, Schedule 1
2	Chapter 2 Appendices	Toronto Hydro submits all Chapter 2 Appendices in Excel format (that had not already been filed on August 15, 2018)	N/A
3	Appendix 2-BB	Toronto Hydro submits Appendix 2-BB and an update to the related discussion in Exhibit 4B, Tab 1, Schedule 1.	Exhibit 4B, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Appendix C [New]
4	Cost of Power Calculation	Toronto Hydro submits the Cost of Power calculation in Excel format.	Exhibit 2A, Tab 3, Schedule 1, Appendix A
5	Bill Impacts model	Toronto Hydro submits the Bill Impacts model in Excel format (as part of Item #2 above).	Exhibit 8, Tab 6, Schedule 1

6	OEB's Pole Attachment Workform	Toronto Hydro submits an update confirming that the utility has adopted the OEB's standard province-wide rate and therefore is not required to file a completed Pole Attachment Workform for a utility-specific rate.	Exhibit 8, Tab 2, Schedule 1
7	Accounting Order from EB-2014-0116	Toronto Hydro submits the Accounting Order from EB-2014-0116.	Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Appendix B [New]
8	Cost Allocation Model	Toronto Hydro has corrected reference errors and resubmits the model in Excel format. Toronto Hydro confirms that the identified errors had no effect on the outputs of the model.	Exhibit 7, Tab 1, Schedule 3
9	2023 Revenue Requirement Workform	Toronto Hydro has corrected a summation error and resubmits the model.  Toronto Hydro confirms that there is no effect on bill impacts from the summation error identified above.	Exhibit 6, Tab 1, Schedule 5
10	Group 2 Deferral and Variance accounts	Toronto Hydro has updated its evidence to include a request and rationale to continue certain Group 2 accounts. Toronto Hydro submits that the request and rationale to continue the Capital Related Revenue Requirement, Externally driven Capital and Derecognition variance accounts was already included in the original filing.	Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1
11	Anticipated Evidence Updates	Toronto Hydro submits a table summarizing updates to the Application anticipated at this time.	Exhibit 1A, Tab 3, Schedule 1, Appendix B [New]
12	Earnings Sharing Mechanism	Toronto Hydro submits an update describing the ESM approach and methodology that the utility proposes to continue in 2020-2024 and was approved by the OEB in EB-2014-0116.	Exhibit 1B, Tab 4, Schedule 1
13	Explanations for Differing Disposition Amounts stated in (i) Summary of Proposed Dispositions; (ii) Continuity Schedule; and (iii) Rate Riders	Toronto Hydro provides an update to the Rate Rider table providing an explanation of the differing amounts presented in other related areas of the Application.	Exhibit 9, Tab 3, Schedule 1, p. 1 ["Rate Riders Table"]

14	CVs and Acknowledgement of Expert's Duty (Form A) for Authors of PSE's Total Cost Benchmarking report	Toronto Hydro has updated its evidence to include the CVs and Form A for Erik Sonju and Steve Fenrick.	Exhibit 1B, Tab 4, Schedule 2, Appendix A <i>[New]</i>
15	Power System Engineering Inc.'s Dataset and Models	Toronto Hydro will provide this material in the same manner as was shared with OEB Staff in the utility's last application.	Exhibit 1B, tab 4, Schedule 2

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



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1 **PLANNED EVIDENCE UPDATES**

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3 Table 1, below, provides information relating to updates Toronto Hydro anticipates at  
 4 this time. The utility reserves the right to add to this list as new information becomes  
 5 available.

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7 **Table 1: Planned Updates Anticipated as of Sep 14, 2018**

	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Details</b>
1	Rate Framework	Exhibit 1B, Tab 4, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro proposes to use the OEB's I-factor in its CPCI. As the value for I-factor is updated annually, Toronto Hydro will incorporate the updated value into its CPCI, once released, to appropriately adjust base distribution rates for the following year.
2	Income Tax/PILs Workform	Exhibit 4B, Tab 2 Schedule 2	Toronto Hydro plans to update the PILS workforms once its 2018 tax return is filed in June 2019.
3	Rate Design	Exhibit 8, Tab 1, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro's proposed Retail Transmission Service Rates in the model reflect the projected 2020 billing units, applied to the current Uniform Transmission Rates ("UTRs"). Toronto Hydro will update the calculated rates prior to the 2020 rate implementation based on OEB approved UTRs at that time.
4	Wireline Pole Attachment Rate	Exhibit 8, Tab 2, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro plans to update the escalation percentage for the wireline attachment rate once the OEB releases the final inflation factor for 2020.

	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Details</b>
5	Deferral and Variance Accounts- Retail Settlement Variance Accounts	Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro will update the evidence and propose to clear the Retail Settlement Variance Accounts balances for the 2018 period when the 2018 balances are finalized.
6	Deferral and Variance Accounts- Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account	Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro will update the evidence and propose to clear the Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account amount for the 2018 period when the 2018 Final CDM Annual Report and Persistence Savings Report is available from the IESO.
7	Carrying Charges	Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1	Carrying charges have been applied to specific accounts using the OEB's Prescribed Interest Rate. For the periods up to 2018 Q3, the rates are as determined by the OEB. For the periods 2018 Q4 through 2019 Q4, the 2018 Q3 has been applied as a forecast. Toronto Hydro proposes to update these rates for the actual approved rates at the time of clearance of these accounts.
8	Earning Sharing Mechanism ("ESM")- 2018 Calculation	Exhibit 1B, Tab 4, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro will update its 2018 ESM calculation when 2018 year-end financial results become available. Toronto Hydro will clear any applicable amounts as part of this Application.
9	ESM- 2019 Calculation	Exhibit 1B, Tab 4, Schedule 1	Toronto Hydro will update its 2019 ESM calculation and clear any applicable amounts as part of its 2021 annual rate application.
10	2018 Financial Figures	N/A	Toronto Hydro plans to update 2018 financial figures in April 2019.

1 **RATE FRAMEWORK**

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3 This schedule describes Toronto Hydro’s rate framework for the 2020 to 2024 plan  
4 period. The utility’s proposed rate framework continues the rate framework approved  
5 by the OEB in Toronto Hydro’s 2015-2019 Rate Application.<sup>1</sup> The framework is aligned  
6 with OEB policy, and based on sound ratemaking principles. It has been structured in a  
7 way that includes productivity gains as part of the rate adjustment mechanism,  
8 constrains operational funding increases going forward at less than the rate of inflation,  
9 and reconciles a price-cap formula with funding requirements to address Toronto  
10 Hydro’s significant, multi-year investment needs over the 2020 to 2024 period.

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12 **1. SUMMARY**

13 Toronto Hydro’s rate framework is a modification of the standard Fourth Generation  
14 Incentive Rate-Setting (“4<sup>th</sup> Generation IR”) IR approach. The framework is  
15 comprehensive, covers the entirety of the application’s term, and is informed by  
16 Toronto Hydro’s forecasts. It is also informed by the OEB’s current inflation and  
17 productivity analysis, and is aligned with Toronto Hydro’s third party benchmarking of  
18 Toronto Hydro’s costs. As noted, the framework is a continuation of the framework  
19 approved by the OEB in the utility’s 2015-2019 Rate Application. As explained below,  
20 this includes the modifications required by the OEB in its 2015 decision, as related to the  
21 application of the stretch factor to capital and the inclusion of a growth variable to  
22 capture changes in revenue occurring due to changes in customers and loads.<sup>2</sup>  
23 Year 1 is a traditional rebasing year, with costs allocated and rates set on the basis of a  
24 forecast Test Year.

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2014-0116 Decision and Order (December 29, 2015).

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

1 Distribution rates in Years 2 through 5 are adjusted annually by a Custom Price Cap  
2 Index (“CPCI”), as follows:

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$$\text{CPCI} = I - X + C - g$$

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6 Where,

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- “I” is the OEB’s inflation factor, determined annually;

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- “X” is the sum of:

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- The OEB’s productivity factor, as of the date of filing; and

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- Toronto Hydro’s custom stretch factor;

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- “C” provides funds incremental to “I – X” that are necessary to reconcile Toronto Hydro’s capital need within a PCI framework;

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- “g” captures revenue growth occurring due to customer and/or load changes over the forecast period, based on Toronto Hydro’s forecast of loads and customers for the 2021-2024 period;

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## 17 **2. YEAR 1: STANDARD REBASING**

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The first year of the proposed rate application is a standard rebasing year, consistent

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with the OEB’s 4<sup>th</sup> Generation IR approach. Toronto Hydro developed and has

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submitted in this application a forecast of its base revenue requirement for 2020. The

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utility developed forecasts of its costs based on its capital and operational plans for

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2020. The Distribution System Plan (“DSP”) and Operations, Maintenance, and

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Administration (“OM&A”) evidence contained in Exhibits 2B and 4A, respectively,

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provides the details supporting these projected costs. The calculated revenue

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requirement resulting from these projections is detailed in the Revenue Requirement

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evidence filed at Exhibit 6, Tab 1.

1 Similarly, Toronto Hydro employed the OEB’s Cost Allocation model to allocate the  
2 revenue requirement to its eight rate classes, and developed base distribution rates for  
3 each class. The standard rebasing approach maintains revenue-to-cost ratios for each  
4 class within the boundaries set out in the OEB’s 2011 Review of Electricity Cost  
5 Allocation Policy.<sup>3</sup> For more information about Toronto Hydro’s Cost Allocation and  
6 Rate Design, please refer to Exhibits 7 and 8, respectively.

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8 In addition to base distribution rates, Toronto Hydro is applying to clear a number of  
9 Deferral and Variance accounts. Based on the values Toronto Hydro has proposed for  
10 clearance, a number of new rate riders are proposed for implementation beginning in  
11 2020 pursuant to various clearance time frames. For more information about Toronto  
12 Hydro’s proposed rate riders, please refer to Exhibit 9, Tab 3.

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14 **3. YEARS 2 TO 5: CUSTOM PRICE CAP INDEX (“CPCI”)**

15 Under 4th Generation IR, rates in the years following a rebasing year are subject to an  
16 incentive rate mechanism (“IRM”). The IRM is a formulaic approach to rate making  
17 under which distribution rates are adjusted annually using a two-component PCI:

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$$\text{PCI} = \text{I} - \text{X}$$

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21 The I-factor is intended to reflect changes to the input prices faced by the industry (i.e.  
22 inflation), while the X-factor is intended to capture changes in the productivity of the  
23 Ontario electricity distribution industry as a whole, and differences among utilities  
24 within it.

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<sup>3</sup> EB-2010-0219, EB-2012-0383 and OEB letter issued June 12, 2015 Issuance of New Cost Allocation Policy for Street Lighting Rate Class.

1 In the RRFE Report, the OEB offers alternative forms of rate making “to accommodate  
2 differences in the operations of distributors, some of which have capital programs that  
3 are expected to be significant.”<sup>4</sup> The OEB notes that the CIR option in particular “will be  
4 most appropriate for distributors with significant large multi-year [...] investment  
5 commitments that exceed historical levels,” whereas 4th Generation IR is more suitable  
6 for utilities with “some” incremental needs.<sup>5</sup> The evidence at Exhibit 1B, Tab 2,  
7 Schedule 4 and the DSP at Exhibit 2B discuss Toronto Hydro’s capital investment needs  
8 and, by extension, the appropriateness of the CIR option in greater detail.

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10 A challenge for CIR applicants like Toronto Hydro is to reconcile their significantly large,  
11 multi-year investment commitments within a framework that aligns with RRFE guidance.  
12 To this end, Toronto Hydro proposes that these needs be reconciled within a CPCI  
13 framework that entrenches the OEB’s inflation and productivity factors within a  
14 formulaic approach to adjusting distribution rates, with customization as set out in this  
15 evidence. The following subsections set out the approach in more detail.

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### 17 **3.1 Inflation and Productivity Factors**

18 In 2013, the OEB updated its standard rate adjustment parameters following a  
19 consultation process that explicitly considered:<sup>6</sup>

- 20 1) The development of a more Ontario-specific inflation factor;
- 21 2) The estimation of long-run Ontario electricity distribution total factor  
22 productivity (“TFP”); and
- 23 3) The development and implementation of total cost benchmarking.

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<sup>4</sup> RRFE Report at page 9.

<sup>5</sup> RRFE Report at page 14.

<sup>6</sup> EB-2010-0379, Report of the Board, Rate Setting Parameters and Benchmarking under the Renewed Regulatory Framework for Ontario’s Electricity Distributors (December 4, 2013) [the “OEB Rate Setting Parameters Report”].

1 The OEB decided on a new methodology for the I-factor. The I-factor is based on a  
2 30/70 weighting of labour and non-labour sub-indices and is updated annually. The  
3 labour sub-index is determined by changes in the average weekly earnings of Ontario  
4 workers, and the non-labour sub-index is determined by changes in the Canada Gross  
5 Domestic Product Implicit Price Index for final domestic demand.

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7 Toronto Hydro proposes to use the OEB's I-factor in its CPCI. As the value for the I-  
8 factor is updated annually, Toronto Hydro will incorporate the updated value into its  
9 CPCI to appropriately adjust base distribution rates for the following year.

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11 The productivity factor, one of the two X-factor components, was also updated. The  
12 productivity factor is intended to estimate the overall trend in the productivity of the  
13 electricity distribution industry in Ontario by measuring changes in TFP, defined by  
14 Pacific Economics Group ("PEG") as a "comprehensive measure of the extent to which  
15 firms convert inputs into outputs."<sup>7</sup>

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17 In its report, PEG used an indexing method to estimate TFP for the Ontario distribution  
18 sector based on data from the 2002 to 2012 period.<sup>8</sup> This sample excluded the  
19 experience of both Toronto Hydro and Hydro One because, as a result of their large size  
20 relative to the rest of the industry, PEG determined that they were exerting a  
21 disproportionate impact on industry TFP.<sup>9</sup> Toronto Hydro presumes that this principle  
22 would have held if one or both had outperformed the sector on TFP.

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<sup>7</sup> Pacific Economics Group (2013), Productivity and Benchmarking Research in Support of Incentive Rate Setting in Ontario, (corrected January 24, 2014) at page 12 [the "PEG Report"].

<sup>8</sup> PEG suggests that a ten-year horizon is the minimum required for TFP Indexing.

<sup>9</sup> PEG Report, *supra* note 7 at page 4.

1 The result of PEG’s analysis that excluded the two utilities suggested that industry TFP  
2 over that period changed at an average annual rate of -0.33 percent. That is, TFP for the  
3 sector actually declined over that period. In alignment with PEG’s recommendation, the  
4 OEB ultimately adopted a zero productivity factor as a matter of policy, inclusive of an  
5 implicit stretch of 0.33 percent.

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7 Toronto Hydro proposes to embed the OEB’s productivity with its implicit incremental  
8 stretch factor unchanged within the proposed CPCI, fixed throughout the term of the  
9 ratemaking period.

10

### 11 **3.2 Custom Stretch Factor**

12 The second component of the X-factor is an explicit stretch factor. According to the  
13 OEB, “stretch factors promote, recognize, and reward distributors for efficiency  
14 improvements relative to the expected sector productivity trend.”<sup>10</sup> Under the current  
15 methodology, which was updated most recently in 2013, utilities are assigned one of  
16 five stretch factors. This occurs on the basis of a comparison of the utility’s total costs  
17 relative to their predicted total costs. The predicted total costs are determined using a  
18 total cost econometric model developed by PEG.<sup>11</sup>

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20 As part of this application, Toronto Hydro is submitting alternative total cost  
21 benchmarking, the details of which can be found in the Power System Engineering’s  
22 (“PSE”) Econometric Benchmarking Report, at Exhibit 1B, Tab 4, Schedule 2 (the “PSE  
23 Report”). The alternative total cost benchmarking model prepared by PSE for Toronto  
24 Hydro is econometric in nature (similar to PEG’s model) and includes an expanded data  
25 set. The results are statistically significant and relevant to the OEB’s consideration of

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<sup>10</sup> OEB Rate Setting Parameters Report, *supra* note 6 at page 18.

<sup>11</sup> OEB Rate Setting Parameters Report, *supra* note 6 at page 19.

1 Toronto Hydro’s performance. The PSE Report also addresses the benchmarking  
2 comments set out in the OEB Decision in Toronto Hydro’s 2015-2019 Rate Application.<sup>12</sup>  
3

4 The PSE Report provides an appropriate and robust basis for setting Toronto Hydro’s  
5 stretch factor. As noted in the PSE Report, Toronto Hydro’s forecasts of its total costs  
6 are within 10 percent of its predicted total costs. Utilities within this demarcation point  
7 are assigned to Group III of the OEB’s benchmarking cohorts, implying a stretch factor of  
8 0.30 percent. Toronto Hydro therefore proposes that the stretch factor in the proposed  
9 CPCI framework be set at 0.30 percent, and fixed throughout the term of the  
10 ratemaking period.  
11

12 Toronto Hydro’s proposed plan and resulting revenue requirement in this CIR  
13 application reflects the results of a total cost econometric forecasting model, as  
14 envisioned in the Filing Requirements. A custom element of this CIR Application is using  
15 a PSE forecasting model in place of a PEG forecasting model.  
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### 17 **3.3 Custom Capital Factor**

18 The premise of the inclusion of a custom capital factor (“C-factor”) is to reconcile the  
19 OEB’s guidance that the CIR framework is best suited for utilities with significant, multi-  
20 year capital investment requirements as it is clear that the standard 4<sup>th</sup> Generation IR  
21 framework is not.  
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23 The proposed C-factor is designed as a rate adjustment mechanism that is directly  
24 proportional to the degree of capital investment required by Toronto Hydro, as detailed

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<sup>12</sup> Supra note 1 at pp.16-17.

1 in its DSP (Exhibit 2B). It is comprised of two sub-components that serve two primary  
 2 functions:

- 3 • Reconcile Toronto Hydro’s capital investment need in a price cap framework;
- 4 and
- 5 • Return to ratepayers the funding already provided for capital through the
- 6 standard “I – X” increase.

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 8 The first sub-component, termed “C<sub>n</sub>”, is determined as the percent change in total  
 9 revenue requirement that is attributable to changes in capital-related revenue  
 10 requirement – that is, depreciation, return on equity, interest and PILs/taxes. Changes  
 11 in capital-related revenue requirement are based on forecast changes in average annual  
 12 rate base, associated depreciation, and taxes. Tax rates and the cost of capital are  
 13 maintained at their 2020 levels, consistent with the standard 4th Generation IR  
 14 treatment and the OEB approved treatment in Toronto Hydro’s 2015-2019 Rate  
 15 Application.

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 17 The OEB approved values of C<sub>n</sub> from the 2015-2019 Rate Application are shown in Table  
 18 1 below.<sup>13</sup>

19  
 20 **Table 1: OEB Approved C<sub>n</sub> factors for 2016-2019**

2016	2017	2018	2019
4.07	7.60	5.99	4.43

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 22 For the current application, C<sub>n</sub> for 2021-2024 is be determined on the following basis:

<sup>13</sup> EB-2014-0116 Draft Rate Order Update (February 29, 2016) page 6.

1 **Table 2: Calculation of  $C_n$  (\$ Millions)**

Revenue Requirement Component <sup>14</sup>	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Ratebase	4,615.3	4,829.0	5,081.6	5,374.5	5,650.0
Interest Expense	100.8	105.5	111.0	117.4	123.4
Return on Equity	162.8	170.4	179.3	189.6	199.3
Depreciation	268.7	281.9	293.1	310.9	325.4
PILs/Taxes	34.7	36.5	32.7	35.7	42.2
<b>Capital-related RR (A)</b>	567.0	594.3	616.0	653.6	690.3
OM&A	277.5	280.0	282.5	285.1	287.6
Revenue Offsets	-47.7	-48.1	-48.5	-49.0	-49.4
<b>Total RR (B)</b>	796.8	826.2	850.0	889.6	928.5
<b><math>C_n = (A_{yx} - A_{y(x-1)}) / B_{y(x-1)}</math></b>		3.43%	2.63%	4.42%	4.12%

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3 For example, in the above table, the change in forecast capital related revenue  
 4 requirement from 2020 to 2021 is \$27.3 million (\$594.3 million minus \$567.0 million).  
 5 The total revenue requirement in 2020 is \$796.8 million.  $C_n$  for 2020 is therefore:

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7 
$$C_n = (594.3 - 567.0) / 796.8 = 3.43\%.$$

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9 The values shown in Table 2 are filed as part of the OEB's Revenue Requirement  
 10 Workforms, at Exhibit 6, Tab 1, Schedules 2-6. Capital-related revenue requirement, as  
 11 noted, is determined on a forecast basis. By contrast, OM&A and Revenue Offsets are  
 12 assumed to increase by "I - X".

13

14 The values of  $C_n$  represent the amount by which base rates would need to be increased  
 15 to fund Toronto Hydro's capital needs over the course of the rate term.

<sup>14</sup> Each component can be found in the Revenue Requirement Workforms filed as Exhibit 6, Tab 1, Schedule 2-6.

1 With the inclusion of  $C_n$  in the CPCI, Toronto Hydro would receive sufficient funding for  
 2 its capital needs as presented in the DSP. However, the “I – X” increase already included  
 3 in the CPCI formula does provide some degree of incremental funding for capital.  
 4 Absent adjustment, the CPCI formula with just  $C_n$  would risk over-funding relative to  
 5 Toronto Hydro’s capital needs. This risk is removed in the CPCI through a scaling of the  
 6  $C_n$  values. Termed  $S_{cap}$ , this scaling factor is calculated in the following fashion:

$$S_{cap} = (\text{capital-related revenue requirement}) / (\text{total revenue requirement})$$

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 8  
 9  
 10 This scaling reduces the incremental funding for capital to capture just the capital  
 11 component incremental to the “I – X” already included in the CPCI. Table 3 provides the  
 12 information inputs for calculating  $S_{cap}$  for 2021-2024.

13  
 14 **Table 3: Revenue Requirement Components for Determining  $S_{cap}$**

Revenue Requirement Component	2021	2022	2023	2024
Interest	105.5	111.0	117.4	123.4
ROE	170.4	179.3	189.6	199.3
Depreciation	281.9	293.1	310.9	325.4
PILs/Taxes	36.5	32.7	35.7	42.2
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OM&A	280.0	282.5	285.1	287.6
Revenue Offsets	-48.1	-48.5	-49.0	-49.4
<b>Total RR (B)</b>	<b>826.2</b>	<b>850.0</b>	<b>889.6</b>	<b>928.5</b>
<b><math>S_{cap} = A / B</math></b>	<b>71.9%</b>	<b>72.5%</b>	<b>73.5%</b>	<b>74.3%</b>

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 16 In Toronto Hydro’s 2015-2019 Rate Application, the scaling factor was applied to a full “I  
 17 – X”. However, the OEB ruled that the scaling should only apply to “I”, so that the

1 stretch factor incentive remained a component of the capital funding.<sup>15</sup> Toronto  
 2 Hydro’s proposed CPCI conforms to this finding.

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 4 **3.4 Growth Factor**

5 In its 2015 Decision, the OEB found that the inclusion of a growth variable in the CPCI  
 6 was warranted to capture the change in distribution revenue that would naturally occur  
 7 (in the absence of any rate changes) due to changes in billing units (customer numbers  
 8 and loads) over the forecast period.<sup>16</sup>

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 10 Toronto Hydro has accordingly included the growth term, “g”, in the CPCI. The value of  
 11 the growth term is determined based on Toronto Hydro’s forecast of loads and  
 12 customers for the 2021-2024 period,<sup>17</sup> applied to 2020 proposed rates. This  
 13 methodology is consistent with the OEB’s approved methodology in Toronto Hydro’s  
 14 2015-2019 Rate Application, and results in a g-factor value of 0.2 percent. Calculation of  
 15 the g factor is shown in Table 4, below.

16  
 17 **Table 4: Forecast Revenue at 2020 Proposed Rates (\$ Millions)**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Annual Average
Revenue at 2020 Rates	796.8	797.8	799.8	801.6	804.8	
Annual Growth Rate		0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%

18  
 19 The above discussion sets out the variables that constitute Toronto Hydro’s proposed  
 20 CPCI. The resulting CPCI value for a given year would, in keeping with IRM principles, be  
 21 applied to all distribution rates from the previous year to determine the following year’s  
 22 distribution rates.

<sup>15</sup> Supra note 1 at page 18.

<sup>16</sup> Supra note 1.

<sup>17</sup> See Exhibit 3, Tab 1, Schedule 1, for Toronto Hydro’s forecast of loads and customers

1 To summarize, the CPCI is determined in the following fashion:

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$$\text{CPCI} = I - X + C - g, \text{ or}$$

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$$\text{CPCI} = I - X + C_n - (S_{\text{cap}} * I) - g$$

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6 Where,

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- “I” is the OEB’s inflation factor, determined annually;

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- “X” is the sum of:

9

- The OEB’s productivity factor of 0.0 percent; and

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- Toronto Hydro’s custom stretch factor, applied to both OM&A and capital expenditures;

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- “C” is the difference between:

13

- $C_n$ , a reflection of Toronto Hydro’s capital investment need, and

14

- $S_{\text{cap}} * I$ , an offsetting adjustment required to ensure that the C-factor provides funding only in excess of what is already provided for capital through the inflation factor I;

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16

- “g” is the growth factor determined by growth in distribution revenue due to changes in load and customers over the CPCI period.

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20 Table 5, below, shows the components of the CPCI based on an assumed I-factor of 1.2

21 percent, the current OEB approved inflation value, the proposed stretch factor, the

22 forecast values of  $C_n$  and  $S_{\text{cap}}$ , and the g factor, shown in Tables 1 and 2, above.

1 **Table 5: CPCI Values Assuming an Inflation Factor of 1.2% for Each Year**

CPCI Component (%)	2021	2022	2023	2024
I	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
X – productivity	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
X – custom stretch	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
C <sub>n</sub>	3.43	2.63	4.42	4.12
S <sub>cap</sub>	71.9	72.5	73.5	74.3
g	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<b>CPCI</b>	<b>3.26</b>	<b>2.46</b>	<b>4.24</b>	<b>3.93</b>

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3 For comparison purposes, the CPCI values approved by the OEB in EB-2014-0116 are  
 4 shown in Table 6 below.<sup>18</sup>

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6 **Table 6: CPCI Values approved in EB-2014-0116**

2016	2017	2018	2019
3.83	7.32	5.67	4.10

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8 **4. OFF-RAMPS AND Z-FACTOR**

9 Toronto Hydro proposes to apply the OEB’s existing policy with respect to off-ramps.  
 10 The RRFE Report indicates that each rate-setting method includes a trigger mechanism  
 11 with an annual return on equity dead band of plus or minus 300 basis points, at which  
 12 point a regulatory review may be initiated. The OEB approved both a non-capital-  
 13 related Earnings Sharing Mechanism and a Capital Related Revenue Requirement  
 14 Variance Account in its EB-2014-0116 decision. Both of these mechanisms were  
 15 established to protect ratepayers over the term of the CIR period. Toronto Hydro  
 16 proposes to continue both of these mechanisms for the 2020-2024 period.

<sup>18</sup> EB-2014-0116 Draft Rate Order Update, February 29, 2016, page 6.

1 Finally, the OEB affirmed in its EB-2014-0116 decision that Z-factor relief was available  
2 to Toronto Hydro, if required, and based on the generic criteria for such applications.  
3 Toronto Hydro relies on this affirmation for the 2020-2024 period, should the need  
4 arise.

#### 6 **4.1 Earnings Sharing Mechanism Calculation**

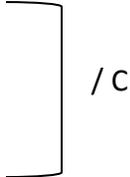
7 In its Decision and Order for Toronto Hydro’s 2015-2019 CIR application, the OEB  
8 accepted the utility’s proposal for a symmetrical earnings sharing mechanism (“ESM”),  
9 incorporating a 100 basis point dead band. As the OEB approved a separate Capital  
10 Related Revenue Requirement Variance Account, it approved the ESM to track the  
11 variance between the non-capital related revenue requirement embedded in rates and  
12 the actual non-capital related revenue requirement. Non-capital revenue requirement  
13 consists of OM&A expenditures and revenue offsets. Toronto Hydro determines  
14 whether to track an amount in the ESM variance account by calculating the contribution  
15 to ROE from the difference between actual and funded non-capital revenue  
16 requirement items. This calculation and determination is performed annually.

##### 18 *4.1.1 Calculation Methodology*

19 To determine the variance in ROE resulting from non-capital related revenue  
20 requirement, Toronto Hydro uses an approach consistent with the OEB’s ROE Workform  
21 – that is, ROE divided by deemed equity. Specifically, the utility calculates this as  
22 follows:

$$24 \frac{(\text{Actual non-capital revenue requirement}) - (\text{Funded non-capital revenue requirement})}{25 \text{Actual equity on a deemed basis}}$$

/ C

- 1 The actual OM&A and revenue offset amounts included in the numerator are obtained
  - 2 from Toronto Hydro's RRR filing.<sup>19</sup> The funded amounts result from the base year
  - 3 approved OM&A and revenue offsets, adjusted for inflation and productivity.
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<sup>19</sup> These amounts are adjusted, consistent with adjustments included the RRR ROE Workform and to make the actual results comparable to the amounts embedded in base rates.

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Responsible for providing consulting services to utilities and regulators in the areas of reliability and cost benchmarking, incentive regulation, value-based reliability planning, demand-side management including demand response and energy efficiency, load research, load forecasting, end-use surveys, and market research.

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- Docket EB-2017-0049, Hydro One Distribution, TFP and Benchmarking research.
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- Docket No. 6690-CE-198, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, “Application for Certificate of Authority for System Modernization and Reliability Project”.
- Expert Witness presentation to Connecticut Governors “Two Storm Panel”, 2012.
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- Moderator at WPUI conference on cost allocation and innovative rate designs, June 2018.
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- Presentation to the board of directors of Great Lakes Energy on benchmarking results, December 2012.
- Presentation on making optimal infrastructure investments and the impact on rates, Electricity Distribution Association, Toronto, Ontario. November 2012.
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- 2012 presentation in Springfield, IL to the Midwest Energy Association titled, “Reliability Target Setting and Performance Evaluation”.
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- 2012 Presentation in the Missouri PSC Smart Grid conference entitled, “Maximizing the Value of DSM Deployments”. Jefferson City.
- 2011 conference chair on a nationwide benchmarking conference for rural electrical cooperatives. Madison.
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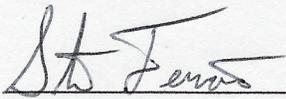
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3. I acknowledge that it is my duty to provide evidence in relation to this proceeding as follows:
  - (a) to provide opinion evidence that is fair, objective and non-partisan;
  - (b) to provide opinion evidence that is related only to matters that are within my area of expertise; and
  - (c) to provide such additional assistance as the Board may reasonably require, to determine a matter in issue.
4. I acknowledge that the duty referred to above prevails over any obligation which I may owe to any party by whom or on whose behalf I am engaged.

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  - Distributed Energy Resource Interconnection and Integration
  - Aging Electric Utility Infrastructure
  - Economic Conductor Analysis
  - Mechanical Loading of Overhead Electrical Equipment on Wood Poles
  - Application of Series Capacitors on Distribution Systems
  - Application of Shunt Reactors on Distribution Systems
  - Impact of Electric Motors, Drives, and Phase Converters on Distribution Systems
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Chevron Pipe Line Company	United States District Court of Utah, Central Division	2:12-cv-00287	Industry expert on behalf of plaintiff in the matter of electrical damage to an oil pipeline. Included expert report and deposition.	2016-17
Lorain-Medina Rural Electric Cooperative	State of Ohio Median County Common Pleas Court	15CIV0749	Industry expert on behalf of defendant in the matter of the application of an electric rate schedule dispute. Included expert report and deposition.	2014-16
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	Ontario Energy Board	EB-2015-0173	Industry expert on behalf of Toronto Hydro. Developed filed report regarding the variance of forecasted vs. actual expenditures associated with an OEB approved 2012-14 Incremental Capital Module request.	2015-16
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited	Ontario Energy Board	EB-2014-0116	Industry expert on behalf of Toronto Hydro. Developed filed report regarding independent review of the cost to serve developed environments including core downtown areas. Followed by oral testimony.	2014-15
Crow Wing Power	State of Minnesota District Court - Cass County	Court File No: 11-CV-12-1670	Testimony on behalf of defendant in the matter of a stray voltage lawsuit. Specific evidence related to conditions of underground distribution cable running adjacent to a dairy farm.	2013-14
MidAmerican Energy Company	State of Iowa District Court - Polk County	Law No. CL 114962	Industry expert on behalf of defendant providing engineering analysis showing the probable cause of failure of a 161kV transmission structure while under construction. Included affidavit of the analysis results and deposition.	2013
Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited (THESL)	Ontario Energy Board	EB-2012-0064	Written and oral testimony regarding the replacement of aging electric infrastructure in the matter of THESL's application for 2012, 2013, and 2014 IRM Rate Adjustments and ICM Rate Adders	2012

<u>Utility / Entity</u>	<u>Jurisdiction Body</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Year</u>
Governor Dannel P. Malloy's Two Storm Panel	State of Connecticut	N/A	Expert witness presentation to Governor Malloy's Two Storm Panel regarding distribution system reliability in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Irene and 2011 Halloween nor'easter snow storm.	2011
Mid-Kansas Electric Company	Kansas Corporation Commission	09-MKEE-969-RTS	Written expert rebuttal testimony on certain aspects of transmission and sub-transmission losses applied in proposed open access transmission tariffs and local access charges.	2009

FORM A

Proceeding: EB-2018-0165

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF EXPERT'S DUTY

1. My name is Erik S. Sonju (name). I live at Madison (city), in the Wisconsin (province/state) of United States.
2. I have been engaged by or on behalf of Toronto Hydro (name of party/parties) to provide evidence in relation to the above-noted proceeding before the Ontario Energy Board.
3. I acknowledge that it is my duty to provide evidence in relation to this proceeding as follows:
  - (a) to provide opinion evidence that is fair, objective and non-partisan;
  - (b) to provide opinion evidence that is related only to matters that are within my area of expertise; and
  - (c) to provide such additional assistance as the Board may reasonably require, to determine a matter in issue.
4. I acknowledge that the duty referred to above prevails over any obligation which I may owe to any party by whom or on whose behalf I am engaged.

Date 9-12-18

Erik S. Sonju  
Signature





OEB Appendix 2-BB  
 Service Life Comparison

Table F-2 from Kinetrics Report<sup>1</sup>

#	Asset Details Category  Component   Type		Useful Life Range		USoA Account Number	USoA Account Description	Current		Proposed		Outside Range of Min, Max TUL?			
							Years	Rate	Years	Rate	Below Min Range	Above Max Range		
1	Office Equipment		5	15	1915	Office Furniture and Equipment	10	10%	10	10%	No	No		
2	Vehicles	Trucks & Buckets	5	15	1930	Transportation Equipment	8	13%	8	13%	No	No		
		Trailers	5	20	1930	Transportation Equipment	5	20%	5	20%	No	No		
		Vans	5	10										
3	Administrative Buildings		50	75	1908	Buildings and Fixtures	20	5%	20	5%	Yes	No		
		1908			Buildings and Fixtures	30	3%	30	3%	Yes	No			
		1908			Buildings and Fixtures	50	2%	50	2%	No	No			
		1908			Buildings and Fixtures	75	1%	75	1%	No	No			
4	Leasehold Improvements		Lease dependent		1910	Leasehold Improvements	5	20%	5	20%	Yes	Yes		
5	Station Buildings	Station Buildings	50	75	1808	Buildings and Fixtures	20	5%	20	5%	Yes	No		
					1808	Buildings and Fixtures	30	3%	30	3%	Yes	No		
					1808	Buildings and Fixtures	36	3%	36	3%	Yes	No		
					1808	Buildings and Fixtures	75	1%	75	1%	No	No		
					1808	Buildings and Fixtures	30	3%	30	3%	No	No		
6	Computer Equipment	Hardware	3	5	1920	Computer Equipment - Hardware	4	25%	4	25%	No	No		
					1920	Computer Equipment - Hardware	5	20%	5	20%	No	No		
					1920	Computer Equipment - Hardware	6	17%	6	17%	No	Yes		
		Software			2	5	1611	Computer Software	4	25%	4	25%	No	No
							1611	Computer Software	5	20%	5	20%	No	No
7	Equipment	Power Operated	5	10	1611	Computer Software	10	10%	10	10%	No	Yes		
		Stores			1935	Stores Equipment	10	10%	10	10%	No	No		
		Tools, Shop, Garage Equipment			1940	Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment	6	17%	6	17%	No	No		
					1940	Tools, Shop and Garage Equipment	10	10%	10	10%	No	No		
					1950	Service Equipment	8	13%	8	13%	No	No		
					1960	Miscellaneous Equipment	10	10%	10	10%	No	No		
		Measurement & Testing Equipment			1930	Transportation Equipment	8	13%	8	13%	No	No		
					1945	Measurement and Testing Equipment	10	10%	10	10%	No	No		
		Towers			60	70	1970	Load Management Controls - Customer Premises	10	10%	10	10%	No	No
							1975	Load Management Controls - Utility Premises	10	10%	10	10%	No	No
8	Communication	Wireless	2	10	1955	Communication Equipment	5	20%	5	20%	No	No		
					1955	Communication Equipment	10	10%	10	10%	No	No		
9	Residential Energy Meters		25	35	1860	Meters	25	4%	25	4%	No	No		
10	Industrial/Commercial Energy Meters		25	35	1860	Meters	25	4%	25	4%	No	No		
11	Wholesale Energy Meters		15	30	1860	Meters	25	4%	25	4%	No	No		
12	Current & Potential Transformer (CT & PT)		35	50	1860	Meters	40	3%	40	3%	No	No		
13	Smart Meters		5	15	1860	Meters (Smart Meters)	15	7%	15	7%	No	No		
14	Repeaters - Smart Metering		10	15										
15	Data Collectors - Smart Metering		15	20										

Additional Notes

The useful life of Toronto Hydro handwells is twenty years. The streetlighting handwells is forty years  
 The useful life of the IT related data centre is ten years.

\* TS & MS = Transformer and Municipal Stations UG = Underground Systems S = Monitoring and Control Systems

Note 1: Tables F-1 and F-2 above are to be used as a reference in order to complete columns J, K, L and N.  
 See pages 17-19 of Kinetrics Report



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Data Input <sup>(1)</sup>

	Initial Application <sup>(2)</sup>			Per Board Decision
<b>1 Rate Base</b>				
Gross Fixed Assets (average)	\$7,140,052,883		#####	\$7,140,052,883
Accumulated Depreciation (average)	(\$2,013,781,505) <sup>(5)</sup>		#####	(\$2,013,781,505)
<b>Allowance for Working Capital:</b>				
Controllable Expenses	\$285,057,919		\$ 285,057,919	\$285,057,919
Cost of Power	\$3,579,801,165		#####	\$3,579,801,165
Working Capital Rate (%)	6.42% <sup>(9)</sup>			<sup>(9)</sup>
<b>2 Utility Income</b>				
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Distribution Revenue at Current Rates	\$848,702,180			
Distribution Revenue at Proposed Rates	\$885,241,080			
<b>Other Revenue:</b>				
Specific Service Charges	\$6,760,117			
Late Payment Charges	\$3,853,592			
Other Distribution Revenue	\$38,369,275			
Other Income and Deductions				
<b>Total Revenue Offsets</b>	\$48,982,985 <sup>(7)</sup>			
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
OM+A Expenses	\$279,372,150		\$ 279,372,150	\$279,372,150
Depreciation/Amortization	\$310,853,964		\$ 310,853,964	\$310,853,964
Property taxes	\$5,685,769		\$ 5,685,769	\$5,685,769
Other expenses				
<b>3 Taxes/PILs</b>				
<b>Taxable Income:</b>				
Adjustments required to arrive at taxable income	(\$85,418,999) <sup>(3)</sup>			
<b>Utility Income Taxes and Rates:</b>				
Income taxes (not grossed up)	\$26,253,623			
Income taxes (grossed up)	\$35,719,215			
Federal tax (%)	15.00%			
Provincial tax (%)	11.50%			
Income Tax Credits	(\$2,736,000)			
<b>4 Capitalization/Cost of Capital</b>				
<b>Capital Structure:</b>				
Long-term debt Capitalization Ratio (%)	56.0%			
Short-term debt Capitalization Ratio (%)	4.0% <sup>(8)</sup>		<sup>(8)</sup>	<sup>(8)</sup>
Common Equity Capitalization Ratio (%)	40.0%			
Preferred Shares Capitalization Ratio (%)				
	100.0%			
<b>Cost of Capital</b>				
Long-term debt Cost Rate (%)	3.71%			
Short-term debt Cost Rate (%)	2.61%			
Common Equity Cost Rate (%)	8.82%			
Preferred Shares Cost Rate (%)				

Notes:

General

Data inputs are required on Sheets 3. Data from Sheet 3 will automatically complete calculations on sheets 4 through 9 (Rate Base through Revenue Requirement). Sheets 4 through 9 do not require any inputs except for notes that the Applicant may wish to enter to support the results. Pale green cells are available on sheets 4 through 9 to enter both footnotes beside key cells and the related text for the notes at the bottom of each sheet.

- (1) All inputs are in dollars (\$) except where inputs are individually identified as percentages (%)
- (2) Data in column E is for Application as originally filed. For updated revenue requirement as a result of interrogatory responses, technical or settlement conferences, etc., use column M and Adjustments in column I
- (3) Net of addbacks and deductions to arrive at taxable income.
- (4) Average of Gross Fixed Assets at beginning and end of the Test Year
- (5) Average of Accumulated Depreciation at the beginning and end of the Test Year. Enter as a negative amount.
- (6) Select option from drop-down list by clicking on cell M10. This column allows for the application update reflecting the end of discovery or Argument-in-Chief. Also, the outcome of any Settlement Process can be reflected.
- (7) Input total revenue offsets for deriving the base revenue requirement from the service revenue requirement
- (8) 4.0% unless an Applicant has proposed or been approved for another amount.
- (9) The default Working Capital Allowance factor is 7.5% (of Cost of Power plus controllable expenses), per the letter issued by the Board on June 3, 2015. Alternatively, a WCA factor based on lead-lag study, with supporting rationale could be provided.



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## Utility Income

Line No.	Particulars	Initial Application					Per Board Decision
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>							
1	Distribution Revenue (at Proposed Rates)	\$885,241,080	(\$885,241,080)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2	Other Revenue <sup>(1)</sup>	\$48,982,985	(\$48,982,985)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3	Total Operating Revenues	\$934,224,064	(\$934,224,064)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>							
4	OM+A Expenses	\$279,372,150	\$ -	\$279,372,150	\$ -	\$279,372,150	\$279,372,150
5	Depreciation/Amortization	\$310,853,964	\$ -	\$310,853,964	\$ -	\$310,853,964	\$310,853,964
6	Property taxes	\$5,685,769	\$ -	\$5,685,769	\$ -	\$5,685,769	\$5,685,769
7	Capital taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
8	Other expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
9	Subtotal (lines 4 to 8)	\$595,911,884	\$ -	\$595,911,884	\$ -	\$595,911,884	\$595,911,884
10	Deemed Interest Expense	\$117,379,488	(\$117,379,488)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
11	Total Expenses (lines 9 to 10)	\$713,291,371	(\$117,379,488)	\$595,911,884	\$ -	\$595,911,884	\$595,911,884
12	Utility income before income taxes	\$220,932,693	(\$816,844,577)	(\$595,911,884)	\$ -	(\$595,911,884)	(\$595,911,884)
13	Income taxes (grossed-up)	\$35,719,215	\$ -	\$35,719,215	\$ -	\$35,719,215	\$35,719,215
14	Utility net income	\$185,213,478	(\$816,844,577)	(\$631,631,099)	\$ -	(\$631,631,099)	(\$631,631,099)

## Notes

### Other Revenues / Revenue Offsets

(1)	Specific Service Charges	\$6,760,117	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Late Payment Charges	\$3,853,592	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other Distribution Revenue	\$38,369,275	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Other Income and Deductions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total Revenue Offsets	\$48,982,985	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -



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# Revenue Requirement Workform (RRWF) for 2023 Filers

## Revenue Requirement

Line No.	Particulars	Application		Per Board Decision	
1	OM&A Expenses	\$279,372,150		\$279,372,150	
2	Amortization/Depreciation	\$310,853,964		\$310,853,964	
3	Property Taxes	\$5,685,769		\$5,685,769	
5	Income Taxes (Grossed up)	\$35,719,215		\$35,719,215	
6	Other Expenses	\$ -		\$ -	
7	Return				
	Deemed Interest Expense	\$117,379,488		\$ -	
	Return on Deemed Equity	\$189,613,019		\$ -	
8	<b>Service Revenue Requirement (before Revenues)</b>	<u>\$938,623,605</u>		<u>\$631,631,099</u>	
9	Revenue Offsets	\$48,982,985		\$ -	
10	<b>Base Revenue Requirement (excluding Transformer Ownership Allowance credit adjustment)</b>	<u>\$889,640,620</u>		<u>\$631,631,099</u>	
11	Distribution revenue	\$885,241,080		\$ -	
12	Other revenue	\$48,982,985		\$ -	
13	<b>Total revenue</b>	<u>\$934,224,064</u>		<u>\$ -</u>	
14	<b>Difference (Total Revenue Less Distribution Revenue Requirement before Revenues)</b>	<u>(\$4,399,540)</u>	( <sup>(1)</sup> )	<u>(\$631,631,099)</u>	( <sup>(1)</sup> )

### Summary Table of Revenue Requirement and Revenue Deficiency/Sufficiency

	Application		Δ% <sup>(2)</sup>	Per Board Decision	Δ% <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>Service Revenue Requirement Grossed-Up Revenue Deficiency/(Sufficiency)</b>	\$938,623,605	\$631,631,099	<b>(\$0)</b>	\$631,631,099	<b>(\$1)</b>
	\$39,063,327	<b>(\$287,310,071)</b>	<b>(\$8)</b>	\$810,764,468	<b>(\$1)</b>
<b>Base Revenue Requirement (to be recovered from Distribution Rates) Revenue Deficiency/(Sufficiency) Associated with Base Revenue Requirement</b>	\$889,640,620	\$631,631,099	<b>(\$0)</b>	\$631,631,099	<b>(\$1)</b>
	\$36,538,900	\$ -	<b>(\$1)</b>	\$ -	<b>(\$1)</b>

#### Notes

(<sup>(1)</sup>) Line 11 - Line 8

(<sup>(2)</sup>) Percentage Change Relative to Initial Application

**Ontario Energy Board**  
**Revenue Requirement Workform**  
**(RRWF) for 2023 Filers**

**Cost Allocation and Rate Design**

This spreadsheet replaces **Appendix 2-P** and provides a summary of the results from the Cost Allocation spreadsheet, and is used in the determination of the class revenue requirement and, hence, ultimately, the determination of rates from customers in all classes to recover the revenue requirement.

Stage in Application Process: **Initial Application**

**A) Allocated Costs**

Name of Customer Class <sup>(3)</sup>	Costs Allocated from Previous Study <sup>(1)</sup>	%	Allocated Class Revenue Requirement <sup>(1)</sup>	%
	From Sheet 10, Load Forecast <span style="float: right;">(7A)</span>			
1 Residential	\$ 287,079,871	42.26%	\$ 360,832,613	38.4%
2 Competitive Sector Multi-Unit Residential	\$ 19,267,312	2.84%	\$ 40,334,605	4.3%
3 GS <50	\$ 99,019,246	14.58%	\$ 146,273,232	15.6%
4 GS - 50 to 999	\$ 157,700,127	23.21%	\$ 233,587,071	24.9%
5 GS - 1000 to 4999	\$ 55,701,964	8.20%	\$ 82,524,126	8.8%
6 Large Use >5MW	\$ 31,087,389	4.58%	\$ 44,939,828	4.8%
7 Street Light	\$ 25,331,820	3.73%	\$ 25,074,140	2.7%
8 Unmetered Scattered Load	\$ 4,173,832	0.61%	\$ 5,057,990	0.5%
9 Unmetered Scattered Load (Connections)				
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 679,361,561</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 938,623,605</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
			<b>Service Revenue Requirement (from Sheet 9)</b>	
			<b>\$ 938,623,605</b>	

- (1) Class Allocated Revenue Requirement, from Sheet O-1, Revenue to Cost || RR, row 40, from the Cost Allocation Study in this application. This excludes costs in deferral and variance accounts. For Embedded Distributors, Account 4750 - Low Voltage (LV) Costs are also excluded.
- (2) Host Distributors - Provide information on any embedded distributor(s) as a separate class, if applicable. If embedded distributors are billed in a General Service class, include the allocated costs and revenues of the embedded distributor(s) in the applicable class, and also complete Appendix 2-Q.
- (3) Customer Classes - If these differ from those in place in the previous cost allocation study, modify the customer classes to match the proposal in the current application as closely as possible.

**B) Calculated Class Revenues**

Name of Customer Class	Load Forecast (LF) X current approved rates <sup>(7B)</sup>	LF X current approved rates X (1+d) <sup>(7C)</sup>	LF X Proposed Rates <sup>(7D)</sup>	Miscellaneous Revenues <sup>(7E)</sup>
1 Residential	\$ 336,775,618	\$ 351,270,826	\$ 351,046,981	\$ 19,752,861
2 Competitive Sector Multi-Unit Residential	\$ 43,803,895	\$ 45,689,265	\$ 45,664,205	\$ 1,724,893
3 GS <50	\$ 113,613,325	\$ 118,503,373	\$ 118,435,994	\$ 8,383,826
4 GS - 50 to 999	\$ 225,749,054	\$ 235,465,552	\$ 235,495,164	\$ 7,532,595
5 GS - 1000 to 4999	\$ 72,417,879	\$ 75,534,827	\$ 75,726,989	\$ 1,434,357
6 Large Use >5MW	\$ 35,504,757	\$ 37,032,922	\$ 37,139,549	\$ 587,261
7 Street Light	\$ 16,526,848	\$ 17,238,183	\$ 17,227,775	\$ 9,250,510
8 Unmetered Scattered Load	\$ 4,244,397	\$ 4,427,080	\$ 4,425,373	\$ 316,681
9 Unmetered Scattered Load (Connections)				
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20				
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 848,635,773</b>	<b>\$ 885,162,029</b>	<b>\$ 885,162,029</b>	<b>\$ 48,982,986</b>

- (4) In columns 7B to 7D, LF means Load Forecast of Annual Billing Quantities (i.e., customers or connections, as applicable X 12 months, and kWh, kW or kVA as applicable. Revenue quantities should be net of the Transformer Ownership Allowance for applicable customer classes. Exclude revenues from rate adders and rate riders.
- (5) Columns 7C and 7D - Column Total should equal the Base Revenue Requirement for each.
- (6) Column 7C - The OEB-issued cost allocation model calculates "1+d" on worksheet O-1, cell C22. "d" is defined as Revenue Deficiency/Revenue at Current Rates.
- (7) Column 7E - If using the OEB-issued cost allocation model, enter Miscellaneous Revenues as it appears on worksheet O-1, row 19.

**Cost Allocation and Rate Design**

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Stage in Application Process: **Initial Application**

**C) Rebalancing Revenue-to-Cost Ratios**

Name of Customer Class	Previously Approved Ratios	Status Quo Ratios	Proposed Ratios	Policy Range
	Most Recent Year: 2015	(7C + 7E) / (7A)	(7D + 7E) / (7A)	
	%	%	%	%
1 Residential	94.3%	102.8%	102.8%	85 - 115
2 Competitive Sector Multi-Unit Residentia	100.0%	117.6%	117.5%	
3 GS <50	91.5%	86.7%	86.7%	80 - 120
4 GS - 50 to 999	119.0%	104.0%	104.0%	80 - 120
5 GS - 1000 to 4999	101.9%	93.3%	93.5%	80 - 120
6 Large Use >5MW	95.3%	83.7%	83.9%	85 - 115
7 Street Light	82.7%	105.6%	105.6%	80 - 120
8 Unmetered Scattered Load	90.5%	93.8%	93.8%	80 - 120
9 Unmetered Scattered Load (Connections)				
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(8) Previously Approved Revenue-to-Cost (R/C) Ratios - For most applicants, the most recent year would be the third year (at the latest) of the Price Cap IR period. For example, if the applicant, rebased in 2012 with further adjustments to move within the range over two years, the Most Recent Year would be 2015. However, the ratios in 2015 would be equal to those after the adjustment in 2014.

(9) Status Quo Ratios - The OEB-issued cost allocation model provides the Status Quo Ratios on Worksheet O-1. The Status Quo means "Before Rebalancing".

(10) Ratios shown in red are outside of the allowed range. Applies to both Tables C and D.

**(D) Proposed Revenue-to-Cost Ratios <sup>(11)</sup>**

Name of Customer Class	Test Year	Proposed Revenue-to-Cost Ratio		Policy Range
	2020	2021	2022	
1 Residential	102.8%			85 - 115
2 Competitive Sector Multi-Unit Residentia	117.5%			
3 GS <50	86.7%			80 - 120
4 GS - 50 to 999	104.0%			80 - 120
5 GS - 1000 to 4999	93.5%			80 - 120
6 Large Use >5MW	83.9%			85 - 115
7 Street Light	105.6%			80 - 120
8 Unmetered Scattered Load	93.8%			80 - 120
9 Unmetered Scattered Load (Connection:				
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(11) The applicant should complete Table D if it is applying for approval of a revenue-to-cost ratio in 2019 that is outside of the OEB's policy range for any customer class. Table D will show that the distributor is likely to enter into the 2020 and 2021 Price Cap IR models, as necessary. For 2020 and 2021, enter the planned revenue-to-cost ratios that will be "Change" or "No Change" in 2018 (in the current Revenue/Cost Ratio Adjustment Workform, Worksheet C1.1 'Decision - Cost Revenue Adjustment, column d), and enter TBD for class(es) that will be entered as 'Rebalance'.



# Revenue Requirement Workform (RRWF) for 2023 Filers

## Rate Design and Revenue Reconciliation

This sheet replaces Appendix 2-V, and provides a simplified model for calculating the standard monthly and volumetric rates based on the allocated class revenues and fixed/variable split resulting from the cost allocation study and rate design and as proposed by the applicant. However, the RRWF does not replace the rate generator model that an applicant distributor may use in support of its application. The RRWF provides a demonstrative check on the derivation of the revenue requirement and on the proposed base distribution rates to recover the revenue requirement, based on summary information from a more detailed rate generator model and other models that applicants use for cost allocation, load forecasting, taxes/PILS, etc.

Stage in Process:		Initial Application																	
Customer and Load Forecast					Class Allocated Revenues			Fixed / Variable Splits <sup>2</sup>		Transformer Ownership Allowance <sup>1</sup> (\$)	Distribution Rates				Revenue Reconciliation				
Customer Class	Volumetric Charge Determinant	Customers / Connections	kWh	kW or kVA	Total Class Revenue Requirement	Monthly Service Charge	Volumetric	Fixed	Variable		Rate	No. of decimals	Rate	No. of decimals	MSC Revenues	Volumetric revenues	Distribution Revenues less Transformer Ownership Allowance		
From sheet 10. Load Forecast					From Sheet 11. Cost Allocation and Sheet 12. Residential Rate Design			Percentage to be entered as a fraction between 0 and 1							1.01388889				
1 Residential	kWh	620,899	4,386,740,109	-	\$ 351,046,981	\$ 351,046,981	\$ -	100.00%	0.00%	\$ -	\$46.47	2	\$0.00000	/kWh	5	351,046,981	-	\$ 351,046,981.12	
2 Competitive Sector Multi-Unit Residential	kWh	101,879	313,817,857	-	\$ 45,664,205	\$ 45,664,205	\$ -	100.00%	0.00%	\$ -	\$36.84		\$0.00000	/kWh	5	45,664,205	-	\$ 45,664,205.38	
3 GS <50	kWh	71,788	2,187,481,667	-	\$ 118,435,994	\$ 35,707,207	\$ 82,728,786	30.15%	69.85%	\$ -	\$40.88		\$0.03782	/kWh	5	35,705,437	82,730,557	\$ 118,435,993.52	
4 GS - 50 to 999	kVA	10,341	9,432,138,729	24,813,648	\$ 235,495,164	\$ 7,121,349	\$ 228,373,816	3.02%	96.98%	\$ 3,928,646	\$56.60		\$9.2336	/kVA	4	7,121,157	232,301,517	\$ 235,494,028.10	
5 GS - 1000 to 4999	kVA	430	4,387,143,302	10,232,645	\$ 75,726,989	\$ 5,067,463	\$ 70,659,526	6.69%	93.31%	\$ 5,356,674	\$968.61		\$7.3270	/kVA	4	5,067,445	76,015,904	\$ 75,726,674.92	
6 Large Use >5MW	kVA	44	1,962,015,257	4,730,195	\$ 37,139,549	\$ 2,260,352	\$ 34,879,196	6.09%	93.91%	\$ 2,906,232	\$4,222.33		\$7.8787	/kVA	4	2,260,354	37,785,396	\$ 37,139,518.74	
7 Street Light	kVA	166,107	115,566,836	328,076	\$ 17,227,775	\$ 3,677,749	\$ 13,550,026	21.35%	78.65%	\$ -	\$1.82		\$40.7357	/kVA	4	3,678,166	13,550,022	\$ 17,228,188.62	
8 Unmetered Scattered Load	kWh	857	41,200,600	-	\$ 4,425,373	\$ 84,909	\$ 4,217,493	1.92%	95.30%	\$ -	\$8.14		\$0.10236	/kWh	5	84,874	4,217,293	\$ 4,302,167.87	
9 Unmetered Scattered Load (Connections)		12,272	-	-		\$ 122,971	\$ -	2.78%		\$ -	\$0.82		\$0.00000		122,434	-	\$ 122,433.65		
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<b>Total Transformer Ownership Allowance</b>										<b>\$ 12,191,552</b>								<b>Total Distribution Revenues</b>	\$ 885,160,191.92
																	<b>Base Revenue Requirement</b>	\$ 889,640,619.91	
																	<b>Difference</b>	-\$ 4,480,427.99	
																	<b>% Difference</b>	-0.504%	

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> Transformer Ownership Allowance is entered as a positive amount, and only for those classes to which it applies.

<sup>2</sup> The Fixed/Variable split, for each customer class, drives the "rate generator" portion of this sheet of the RRWF. Only the "fixed" fraction is entered, as the sum of the "fixed" and "variable" portions must sum to 100%. For a distributor that may set the Monthly Service Charge, the "fixed" ratio is calculated as: [MSC x (average number of customers or connections) x 12 months] / (Class Allocated Revenue Requirement).

Revenues recovered from rates deviate materially from revenue requirement - check data inputs and calculations

1 **2. SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES – RATE UPDATES**

2 **2.1 Specific Charge for Access to Power Poles (Wireline Attachments) (\$/Pole/Year)**

3 Toronto Hydro currently charges telecommunication companies for any wireline  
4 attachments placed on its poles at a rate of \$42<sup>2</sup> per pole per year, a rate that was set  
5 specific to Toronto Hydro as part its 2015 CIR application. In its EB-2015-0304 report on  
6 Wireline Pole Attachment Charges (“Wireline Report”) issued March 22, 2018, the OEB  
7 outlined an updated policy for the wireline pole attachment rates to be charged by all  
8 Local Distribution Companies (“LDCs”) for attachments by telecommunication and cable  
9 companies (carriers) to distribution poles, setting a standard province-wide rate of  
10 \$43.63 per attacher per pole per year for 2019.

11

12 In accordance with the Wireline Report, Toronto Hydro proposes to update its wireline  
13 pole attachment charge to \$44.15 per pole per year effective January 1, 2020. This rate  
14 is calculated based on the standard rate of \$43.63 for 2019 and the application of 1.2  
15 percent escalation (the OEB’s current inflation rate) for 2020. Toronto Hydro proposes  
16 that this rate be updated once the final OEB inflation factor for 2020 is determined. In /C  
17 adopting the standard province-wide rate, Toronto Hydro has not filed the OEB’s Pole /C  
18 Attachment Workform. /C

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20 **3. OTHER RATES AND CHARGES**

21 In accordance with section 2.8.6 of the OEB Filing Requirements (July 12, 2018), Toronto  
22 Hydro has identified certain charges that appear in its Conditions of Service but are  
23 excluded from the current OEB-approved tariff sheet. These include the following Basic

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<sup>2</sup> Per July 23, 2015 OEB Decision on Toronto Hydro’s Settlement Proposal (EB-2014-0116).

1 Connection Charges for unmetered customers that are not included in distribution  
2 rates<sup>3</sup>:

- 3 1) Unmetered Connections – Overhead Supply (excludes Street Lighting):
- 4 a) \$446 standard allowance plus variable costs - source connection made at  
5 the Distributor's supply pole and service mast located on same supply  
6 pole; and
- 7 b) \$1,011 standard allowance plus variable costs - source connection made  
8 at the Distributor's supply pole and service mast is not located on same  
9 supply pole.
- 10 2) New or Upgraded Street Lighting Services:
- 11 a) \$533.36 standard allowance plus variable costs - Municipal Lights  
12 attached to Distributor's poles and connected to Distributor's overhead  
13 120/240 V secondary bus;
- 14 b) \$573.97 standard allowance plus variable costs - Municipal Lights  
15 attached to Distributor's poles in mixed used urban setting and  
16 connected to Distributors underground 120/240 V secondary bus; and
- 17 c) \$573.97 standard allowance plus variable costs - Municipal Lights  
18 attached to Municipality's poles in residential setting and connected to  
19 Distributor's underground 120/240 V secondary bus.

20  
21 These charges were developed to recover the actual cost of labour, materials,  
22 equipment and contracts Toronto Hydro incurs to provide the basic connection service  
23 for these specific customer groups on an as requested basis.<sup>4</sup> They are comprised of a

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<sup>3</sup> Please refer to Toronto Hydro's Conditions of Service effective January 1, 2018, Tables 2 and 3, pages 101 and 102, respectively for the Basic Connection Charges. These charges are billed directly to the customer.

<sup>4</sup> Basic Connection Charges for unmetered connections are defined in Toronto Hydro's Conditions of Service, Sections 3.8. Cost includes installation and commissioning of single transformer and the associated service drop up to 30 metres in length.

1 base amount and variable portion (for any costs beyond the base amount), both of  
2 which are billed directly. These charges are recovered as capital contributions.  
3 Consistent with other similar charges that are recovered through capital contributions,  
4 they are not recorded as a Specific Service Charge in Toronto Hydro's OEB-approved  
5 tariff sheet. Amounts collected over the 2015-2017 period are shown in the table  
6 below. Forecast amounts are not available, as the work is done on a customer request  
7 basis.

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**Table 2: Service Connection Capital Contributions (\$)**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
<b>Service Connection Contributions</b>	56,880	72,044	35,264

1 As at December 31, 2017, the balance in this account was \$85.3 million debit (recovery)  
2 from customers. Toronto Hydro is proposing to clear this balance over five years.  
3 Although Toronto Hydro has proposed the disposition of the balances accumulated in /C  
4 this account, the OPEB plans will continue to experience actuarial gains or losses as a /C  
5 result of changes in actuarial assumptions in the future. Therefore, the utility requests /C  
6 the continuance of this account to record these expected changes. /C  
7

8 **4.4 Account 1508 – Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount – CRRRVA**

9 The balance in the Capital-Related Revenue Requirement Variance Account, all of which  
10 is proposed for clearance, is a \$59.4 million credit (refund) to customers. The account  
11 balance reflects the variance between the cumulative 2015 to 2019 capital related  
12 revenue requirement included in rates and the actual capital in-service additions (“ISA”)  
13 related revenue requirement over the same period. Balances in the CRRRVA include  
14 carrying charges and exclude balances that are captured in the Externally Driven Capital  
15 and Derecognition variance accounts.  
16

17 The CRRRVA was approved by the OEB to protect ratepayers in the event Toronto  
18 Hydro’s actual revenue requirement related to capital was less than the amount funded  
19 in the approved revenue requirement for the rate period. The utility forecasts actual  
20 capital related revenue requirement will be lower; as a result, there is a credit to  
21 customers. There are two reasons for the variance.  
22

23 First, \$36.8 million of the variance is due to a decision by Toronto Hydro to not spend  
24 that money funded through approved rates. Toronto Hydro discovered a discrepancy in  
25 the estimated useful life used to calculate the depreciation for meters in the 2015-2019  
26 CIR forecast. The forecasted depreciation for meters was based on an estimated useful

1 life of four years whereas the actual depreciation for meters is based on a useful life of  
2 15 years. The effect was more approved capital-related revenue requirement funding  
3 through 2015-2019 rates than Toronto Hydro proposed during that rate-setting process.  
4 Toronto Hydro decided that the corresponding amount should not be spent and that the  
5 balance with interest should be returned to customers through the clearance of the  
6 CRRRVA.

7

8 Second, the remaining variance is due to the difference between the forecasted and  
9 actual mix of capital programs and the forecasted and actual timing of that capital work  
10 going in-service. Toronto Hydro has hundreds of individual capital projects each year,  
11 and the selection and timing of those projects varies with dynamic customer and system  
12 needs, as well as weather, field conditions, permitting, site access, third party co-  
13 ordination, and other factors. A regular part of Toronto Hydro's operation is  
14 rebalancing the mix and timing of capital projects to adjust for these factors. Most of  
15 this variance was driven by later than forecasted in-service dates for several significant  
16 projects.

- 17 • The in-service date of the ERP system was delayed from 2016 to an expected  
18 completion date of 2018 (Exhibit 2B, Schedule E4).
- 19 • The in-service date of Copeland TS – Phase 1 was delayed from 2015-2016 to  
20 2017-2018 (Exhibit 2B, Schedule E7.4).
- 21 • The in-service dates associated with capital contributions to Hydro One  
22 Networks Incorporated (“Hydro One”) were in 2016 instead of 2015 (Exhibit 2B,  
23 Schedule E7.4).

24

25 The following table summarizes the balances in the account by year.

1 **Table 7: Wireless attachment costs and revenues (\$ Thousands)**

	Actual	Forecast		Total
	2015- 2017	2018	2019	
THESL Wireless Attachment Costs	38	-	-	38
THESL Wireless Attachments Revenues	(450)	(100)	(100)	(650)
THESL Wireless Attachment Costs – carrying charges	2	1	1	4
THESL Wireless Attachments Revenues – carrying charges	(12)	(10)	(12)	(34)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(422)</b>	<b>(109)</b>	<b>(111)</b>	<b>(642)</b>

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3 The OEB performed their policy review of pole attachment charges and concluded their  
 4 findings in EB-2015-0304. The indirect charges for wireless attachments are aligned  
 5 with those stated in EB-2015-0304. Revenues received by Toronto Hydro for its wireless  
 6 attachments were in excess to the costs, thus the need to clear the \$0.6 million credit in  
 7 this account. Toronto Hydro requests continuance of this account to capture the /C  
 8 ongoing nature of wireless pole attachment costs and revenues. /C

9

10 **4.8 Account 1508 – Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount – Monthly Billing**

11 Toronto Hydro’s Monthly Billing Deferral Account approved in EB-2014-0116, is  
 12 intended to record the incremental costs and savings resulting from the mandatory  
 13 transition to monthly billing for non-seasonal residential and all GS<50 kW customers as  
 14 of December 31, 2016.<sup>5</sup>

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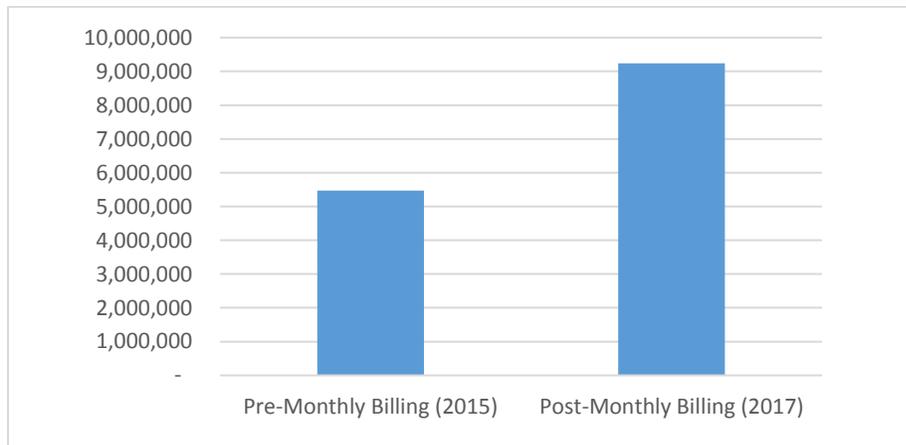
16 In order to implement the mandatory transition, Toronto Hydro incurred \$3.3 million in  
 17 capital costs, and expects to incur an additional \$15.9 million in operational costs from

<sup>5</sup> EB-2014-0198, Notice of Amendment to a Code, Amendments to the Distribution System Code (April 15, 2015).

1 2016 through the end of 2019.<sup>6</sup> These ongoing operational costs are offset by \$6.0  
2 million in working capital benefits attained over the same period.

3  
4 The mandatory transition to monthly billing resulted in 3.8 million additional Toronto  
5 Hydro bills issued in 2017, representing an almost 70 percent increase (see Figure 3  
6 below). In order to mitigate the cost impact associated with this increase, Toronto  
7 Hydro invested in various hardware and software upgrades, promoted electronic billing,  
8 and implemented a combination of automation, process improvements, and  
9 outsourcing, as detailed in the sections below. Overall, Toronto Hydro has continued to  
10 ensure customer satisfaction throughout the transition and has managed to improve its  
11 billing accuracy metrics during this period.

12



13 **Figure 3: Total Bills Issued in 2015 and 2017**

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#### 15 **4.8.1 Capital Costs**

16 As shown in Table 8, below, Toronto Hydro incurred \$3.3 million in capital costs in order  
17 to implement the mandatory transition to monthly billing. This amount is slightly above

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<sup>6</sup> In its 2015-2019 CIR Application, the utility did not include any costs or savings associated with the mandatory transition to monthly billing.

1 that is funded through Provincial Rate Protection and collected through payments from  
 2 the IESO and revenue requirement based on actual REI investments, as it occurs over  
 3 the 2015-2019 CIR period. Toronto Hydro requests continuance of this account for the /C  
 4 2020-2024 period. /C

5  
 6 As at the end of 2017, the variance in this account is a \$2.4 million credit, as spending on  
 7 some of the specific projects has been deferred or delayed. Current projections for  
 8 investment on these approved projects over the 2018-2019 period indicates that the  
 9 balance of the variance account will be \$5.1 million at the end of 2019. Table 16 below  
 10 provides details.

11  
 12 **Table 16: Provincially Funded Renewable Eligible Investment Variance Account**  
 13 **(\$ Millions)**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Approved Revenue Requirement	0.3	0.9	1.5	2.1	2.6
Actual/Forecast Revenue Requirement	-	-	0.1	0.5	1.6
Variance Account Balance	(0.3)	(0.9)	(1.4)	(1.6)	(1.0)

14  
 15 Toronto Hydro seeks approval to clear this account and return the projected \$5.1 million  
 16 variance to the IESO.

17  
 18 **5. TORONTO HYDRO IS NOT SEEKING CLEARANCE IN THIS APPLICATION OF BALANCES**  
 19 **IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS**

20 **5.1 All RSVA Accounts**

21 Toronto Hydro will propose to clear the RSVA accounts for 2017 amounting to a \$43.9  
 22 million credit (refund) to customers as part of Toronto Hydro’s 2019 Custom Incentive  
 23 Rate-setting Update Application. The accounts included are Account 1550 – Low  
 24 Voltage Variance Account, Account 1580 – Wholesale Market Services, Account 1584 –

**APPENDIX E**

**DECISION AND RATE ORDER**

**TORONTO HYDRO-ELECTRIC SYSTEM LIMITED**

**EB-2014-0116**

**MARCH 1, 2016**

1 **NEW VARIANCE AND DEFERRAL ACCOUNTS – ACCOUNTING ORDERS**

2  
3 **1. VARIANCE ACCOUNT FOR EXTERNALLY DRIVEN CAPITAL – ACCOUNTING**  
4 **ORDER**

5  
6 The OEB approved the revenue requirement associated with \$4.0 million of annual in-  
7 service amounts for work related to third party initiated relocation and expansion projects  
8 (externally driven capital work). Since expenditures under this program can be volatile  
9 and difficult to predict, Toronto Hydro will record to this variance account the revenue  
10 requirement impact of the amounts for this type of work that vary from the approved  
11 amounts. For example, if Toronto Hydro puts in service \$10 million of externally driven  
12 capital work in 2015, it will record the revenue requirement impact related to the \$6  
13 million to the variance account. This symmetrical variance account will record variances  
14 above and below \$4.0 million and amounts recorded or recordable in this account will not  
15 be recorded in the Capital-Related Revenue Requirement Variance Account.

16  
17 Carrying charges will apply to the opening revenue requirement balances in the account  
18 (exclusive of accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance  
19 accounts.

20  
21 At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the revenue requirement associated  
22 with the balances in these accounts to ratepayers.

23  
24 Toronto Hydro will establish the following variance accounts to record the amounts  
25 described above:

- 26 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Externally Driven  
27 Revenue Requirement
- 28 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Externally Driven  
29 Revenue Requirement Carrying Charges

30  
31 The sample accounting entries for the variance accounts are provided below.

- 1       A. To record the revenue requirement in the Externally Driven Capital Variance  
2       Account:
- 3       ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Externally Driven  
4       Revenue Requirement
  - 5       ○ CR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
- 6       B. To record the carrying charges in subaccount THESL Externally Driven Revenue  
7       Requirement:
- 8       ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Externally Driven  
9       Revenue Requirement Carrying Charges
  - 10      ○ CR 4405 Interest and Dividend Income

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12  
13   **2.       VARIANCE ACCOUNT FOR DERECOGNITION – ACCOUNTING ORDER**

14  
15   Under Modified IFRS, the gain or loss associated with the derecognition of assets is  
16   required to be recorded as a depreciation expense during the period in which the item is  
17   derecognized. Due to the dynamic nature of Toronto Hydro’s capital program and  
18   operating environment, Toronto Hydro is likely to experience a significant degree of  
19   ongoing volatility in year over year losses on derecognition over the CIR Period. To  
20   manage this volatility, Toronto Hydro will record to a variance account the amounts  
21   which vary from the OEB-approved amounts.

22  
23   Carrying charges will apply to the opening balances in the account (exclusive of  
24   accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance accounts.

25  
26   At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in these accounts to  
27   ratepayers.

28  
29   Toronto Hydro will establish the following variance accounts to record the amounts  
30   described above:

- 1       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Derecognition
- 2           Amounts
- 3       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Derecognition
- 4           Amounts Carrying Charges

5

6   The sample accounting entries for the variance accounts are provided below.

7       A. To record the amounts that vary from the amounts included in the 2015 Revenue

8           Requirement and the amounts included in the 2016-2019 C-Factor calculations

9           related to the Derecognition amounts:

- 10           ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Derecognition
- 11               Amounts
- 12           ○ CR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue

13       B. To record the carrying charges in subaccount THESL Derecognition Amounts:

- 14           ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL Derecognition
- 15               Amounts Carrying Charges
- 16           ○ CR 4405 Interest and Dividend Income

17

1     **3.     DEFERRAL ACCOUNT FOR THE MANDATORY TRANSITION TO MONTHLY**  
2           **BILLING – ACCOUNTING ORDER**

3  
4     The OEB requires that all distributors transition customers in the Residential and General  
5     Service less than 50 kW (GS < 50kW) rate classes to monthly billing by December 31,  
6     2016. The OEB approved a deferral account in which Toronto Hydro will record the  
7     incremental costs and savings that result from this mandatory transition. Since the timing  
8     and costs of the transition are yet unknown, no amount related to these incremental costs  
9     and savings were included in the Application.<sup>1</sup> Toronto Hydro will also record in a  
10    deferral account the revenue requirement associated with the capital cost amounts in the  
11    Mandatory Transition to Monthly Billing Deferral Account.

12  
13    Carrying charges will apply to the opening revenue requirement balances in the accounts  
14    (exclusive of accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance  
15    accounts.

16  
17    At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in this account to  
18    ratepayers.

19  
20    Toronto Hydro will record as a debit to the deferral account the incremental costs of the  
21    mandatory transition to monthly billing.

22  
23    Toronto Hydro will calculate and record as a credit to the deferral account the  
24    incremental savings (if any) arising from benefits realised in the course of the mandatory  
25    transition to monthly billing.

26  
27    Toronto Hydro will establish the following deferral accounts to record the amounts  
28    described above:

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2014-0116, Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited Decision and Order (December 29, 2015) at pp. 51-52.

- 1       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
- 2       Monthly Billing Costs and Savings
- 3       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
- 4       Monthly Billing Costs and Savings Revenue Requirement
- 5       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
- 6       Monthly Billing Costs and Savings Revenue Requirement Carrying Charges

7

8       The sample accounting entries for the deferral accounts are provided below.

- 9       A. To record on a monthly basis the incremental costs of the mandatory transition to
- 10       monthly billing:
  - 11       ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
  - 12       Monthly Billing Costs and Savings
  - 13       ○ CR XXXX Operating, Maintenance and Administration Expenses / Property
  - 14       Plant and Equipment / Depreciation Expense / Construction Work-in-Progress
  - 15       (various accounts - dependent on the type of costs)
- 16       B. To record on a monthly basis the incremental savings of the mandatory transition
- 17       to monthly billing:
  - 18       ○ DR XXXX Operating, Maintenance and Administration Expenses / Property
  - 19       Plant and Equipment / Depreciation Expense / Construction Work-in-Progress
  - 20       (various accounts – dependent on the type of costs)
  - 21       ○ CR 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
  - 22       Monthly Billing Costs and Savings
- 23       C. To record the revenue requirement on the capital costs in the Mandatory
- 24       Transition to Monthly Billing Deferral Account:
  - 25       ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
  - 26       Monthly Billing Costs and Savings Revenue Requirement
  - 27       ○ CR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
- 28
- 29       D. To record the carrying charges in subaccount Mandatory Transition to Monthly
- 30       Billing Revenue Requirement:

- 1           ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Mandatory Transition to
- 2           Monthly Billing Costs and Savings Revenue Requirement Carrying Charges
- 3           ○ CR 4405 Interest and Dividend Income

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6       **4.       VARIANCE ACCOUNT FOR GAINS ON SALE OF PROPERTIES RELATED TO THE**

7       **COMPANY’S OPERATING CENTERS CONSOLIDATION PROGRAM (OCCP) –**

8       **ACCOUNTING ORDER**

9

10       Toronto Hydro will be clearing to ratepayers, through an OEB-approved rate rider, the

11       forecasted net gains on the sale of the 5800 Yonge and 28 Underwriters properties,

12       grossed up for the PILs tax savings. However, since the timing of the sale of both

13       properties and the final amount of the net gain from the sale of both properties are not

14       known at the time of rate finalization, the OEB approved a variance account in which

15       Toronto Hydro will track the difference between the total forecasted gains net of tax with

16       the forecasted gross up for the PILs tax savings and the actual gains net of tax with the

17       actual gross up for the PILs tax savings.

18

19       Carrying charges will apply to the opening balances in the accounts (exclusive of

20       accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance accounts.

21

22       At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in this account to

23       ratepayers.

24

25       Toronto Hydro will establish the following variance accounts to record the amounts

26       described above:

- 27       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance
  - 28       Account
  - 29       • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance
  - 30       Account Carrying Charges
- 31

1 Toronto Hydro will use the following account to record the OEB-approved rate rider  
2 associated with the forecasted gains being cleared to ratepayers:

- 3 • Account 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Regulatory Deferred Gain on  
4 Disposal (Rate Rider Account)

5  
6 The sample accounting entries for the variance accounts are provided below.

7  
8 **December 31, 2015 entries**

9 A. Record the OEB-approved net forecasted gains to be cleared to customers through  
10 a rate rider:

- 11 ○ DR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
- 12 ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Regulatory Deferred Gain on  
13 Disposal (Rate Rider Account)

14 B. Record the variance between the approved net forecasted gains and the actual net  
15 gains as at the end of 2015:

- 16 ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance  
17 Account
- 18 ○ CR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue

19  
20 **2016 and future years' entries**

21 C. Record the refunding of the rate rider to customers. The offsetting credit will be  
22 to Account 1100 Customer Accounts Receivable since the ratepayers' bills should  
23 be reduced by the rate rider refund:

- 24 ○ DR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
- 25 ○ CR 1100 Customer Accounts Receivable
- 26 ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Regulatory Deferred Gain on  
27 Disposal (Rate Rider Account)
- 28 ○ CR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue

29 D. Record the actual PILs tax savings materialized, which is being given back to  
30 ratepayers. The PILs tax savings is the result of the rate rider cash refund to  
31 customers:

- 1           ○ DR 2294 Accrual for Taxes, “Payments in Lieu of Taxes”, Etc.
- 2           ○ CR 6110 Income Taxes
- 3           ○ DR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
- 4           ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance
- 5           Account
- 6       E. Record the actual sale of the property, net of taxes (assuming a net gain).
- 7           ○ DR 1005 Cash
- 8           ○ DR XXXX Accumulated Depreciation of PP&E (various accounts – depends
- 9           on type of asset)
- 10          ○ CR XXXX Property, plant and equipment (various accounts – depends on
- 11          type of asset)
- 12          ○ CR 2294 Accrual for Taxes, “Payments in Lieu of Taxes”, Etc.
- 13          ○ CR 4355 Gain on Disposition of Utility and Other Property
- 14       F. Record the reclassification of the actual net after-tax gain to Account 1508 Other
- 15       Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance Account
- 16          ○ DR 4355 Gain on Disposition of Utility and Other Property
- 17          ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance
- 18          Account
- 19       G. Record the carrying charges based on the net of the balances in Account 1508
- 20       subaccount OCCP Gains Variance Account and Account 1508 subaccount
- 21       Regulatory Deferred Gain on Disposal (Rate Rider Account). The carrying
- 22       charges are determined using simple interest applied on the monthly net opening
- 23       balances:
- 24          ○ DR 6035 Other Interest Expense / CR 4405 Interest and Dividend Income
- 25          ○ CR/DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount OCCP Gains Variance
- 26          Account Carrying Charges

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29       **5. VARIANCE ACCOUNT FOR 2015 OPENING RATE BASE TO CAPTURE PRUDENCE-**

30       **BASED ICM DISALLOWANCES – ACCOUNTING ORDER**

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1 At this time, the ICM True-up process has not been completed. As such, differences in  
2 the amount of ICM-eligible work that should be included in the 2015 opening rate base  
3 could occur as a result of the OEB's findings during that process. This variance account  
4 will capture any differences between amounts included in 2015 rate base and any revenue  
5 requirements associated with disallowances based on prudence that may result from the  
6 ICM True-Up. Specifically, this variance account will track the revenue requirement  
7 impact of any capital in-service additions and the related depreciation expense included  
8 in the 2015 revenue requirement through the CIR Decision that are found to be imprudent  
9 in the ICM True-Up.

10  
11 Carrying charges will apply to the opening revenue requirement balances in the account  
12 (exclusive of accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance  
13 accounts.

14 At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in this account to  
15 ratepayers.

16  
17 Toronto Hydro will establish the following variance accounts to record the amounts  
18 described above:

- 19 • Account 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL ICM True-Up  
20 Revenue Requirement Variance Account
- 21 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL ICM True-Up  
22 Revenue Requirement Variance Account Carrying Charges

23  
24 The sample accounting entries for the variance accounts are provided below.

- 25 A. To record the revenue requirement associated with disallowed rate base:
  - 26 ○ DR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
  - 27 ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL ICM True-Up  
28 Revenue Requirement Variance Account
- 29 B. To record the carrying charges in subaccount THESL ICM True-Up Revenue  
30 Requirement Variance Account:
  - 31 ○ DR 6035 Other Interest Expense

- 1           ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount THESL ICM True-Up
- 2           Revenue Requirement Variance Account Carrying Charges
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1 **6. VARIANCE ACCOUNT FOR CAPITAL-RELATED REVENUE REQUIREMENT**  
2 **(CRRRVA) – ACCOUNTING ORDER**

3  
4 In order to address the possibility that Toronto Hydro may not bring its entire capital  
5 program in-service during the CIR Period, Toronto Hydro will record in a variance  
6 account the variance between the cumulative 2015 to 2019 capital related revenue  
7 requirement included in rates and the actual capital in-service additions related revenue  
8 requirement over the period. Toronto Hydro will record the variance on a cumulative  
9 basis to ensure that Toronto Hydro has the flexibility to optimize the implementation of  
10 its capital investment strategy, which may involve shifting the timing of project spending  
11 within the CIR Period.

12  
13 Carrying charges will apply to the opening balances in the account (exclusive of  
14 accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance accounts.

15  
16 At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in this account to  
17 ratepayers.

18  
19 Toronto Hydro will establish the following Variance Accounts to record the amounts  
20 described above:

- 21 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Capital Related Revenue  
22 Requirement Variance Account
- 23 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Capital Related Revenue  
24 Requirement Variance Account Carrying Charges

25  
26 The sample accounting entry for the variance accounts are provided below.

- 27 A. To record the difference between the cumulative 2015 to 2019 capital related  
28 revenue requirement included in rates and the actual capital in-service additions  
29 related revenue requirement over the period (see note 1 below):
  - 30 o DR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue

- 1           ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Capital Related Revenue
- 2           Requirement Variance Account

3       B. To record the carrying charges in subaccount Capital Related Revenue

4       Requirement Variance Account:

- 5           ○ DR 6035 Other Interest Expense
- 6           ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Capital Related Revenue
- 7           Requirement Variance Account Carrying Charges

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9       Note:

10       1. Capital Related Revenue Requirement Variance Account calculation:

11       Record the net of:

- 12           i.       The approved revenue requirement associated with the cumulative
- 13                   2015 to 2019 capital related revenue requirement;
- 14                   AND
- 15           ii.       The actual capital in-service additions related revenue requirement
- 16                   over the period.

17           This account will be asymmetrical in nature.

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20       **7.       OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEBs) CASH VERSUS ACCRUAL**

21       **VARIANCE ACCOUNT – ACCOUNTING ORDER**

22

23       The OEB has initiated an industry-wide policy consultation on rate-regulated utility

24       OPEBs. Pending a final conclusion on the treatment of OPEBs, for ratemaking purposes,

25       the OEB requires Toronto Hydro to calculate recovery for OPEBs using cash payments

26       instead of the accounting cost calculated under the accrual method. As such, Toronto

27       Hydro will record in a variance account the difference between (i) the forecasted OPEBs

28       costs related to Toronto Hydro's OM&A programs using the accounting accrual method

29       and (ii) the OPEBs cash payments made to the plan.

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1 At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in this account to  
2 ratepayers.

3 Toronto Hydro will establish the following variance accounts to record the amounts  
4 described above:

- 5 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Other Post-Employment  
6 Benefits Cash vs Accrual Variance Account

7  
8 The sample accounting entry for the variance accounts are provided below.

9 A. To record the difference between the forecasted OPEBs costs and the OPEBs plan  
10 payments made:

- 11 ○ DR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Other Post-Employment  
12 Benefits Cash vs Accrual Variance Account
- 13 ○ CR 5646 Employee Pensions and OPEB

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16 **8. EARNINGS SHARING MECHANISM (ESM) VARIANCE ACCOUNT**

17  
18 Toronto Hydro shall establish an account to record amounts related to any earnings  
19 outside of Toronto Hydro's approved annual return on equity (ROE) exceeding a +/- 100  
20 basis-point dead band, to be shared on an equal basis between Toronto Hydro and its  
21 ratepayers. The earnings variance will only arise from differences between the non-  
22 capital related revenue requirement embedded in rates and the actual non-capital related  
23 revenue requirement. The ratepayer share of the earnings shall be grossed up for any tax  
24 impacts and credited to this account.

25  
26 Carrying charges will apply to the opening balances in the account (exclusive of  
27 accumulated interest) at the OEB-approved rate for deferral and variance accounts.

28  
29 At a later date, Toronto Hydro will apply to clear the balances in this account to  
30 ratepayers.

31

1 Toronto Hydro will establish the following variance accounts to record the amounts  
2 described above:

- 3 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Earnings Sharing  
4 Mechanism Variance Account
- 5 • Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Earnings Sharing  
6 Mechanism Variance Account Carrying Charges

7

8 The sample accounting entry for the variance accounts are provided below.

- 9 A. To record half (50%) of the amounts related to any earnings outside of Toronto  
10 Hydro's approved ROE +/- 100 basis points:
  - 11 ○ DR 4080 Distribution Services Revenue
  - 12 ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Earnings Sharing Mechanism  
13 Variance Account
- 14 B. To record the carrying charges in subaccount Earnings Sharing Mechanism  
15 Variance Account:
  - 16 ○ DR 6035 Other Interest Expense
  - 17 ○ CR 1508 Other Regulatory Assets, Subaccount Earnings Sharing Mechanism  
18 Variance Account Carrying Charges

## Rate Riders Development

% to split by Class		Total	Residential	CS Multi-Units Residential	GS < 50 kW	GS - 50 to 999 kW	GS > 1,000 to 4,999 kW	Large User =>5,000 kW	Street Lighting	USL (Connections)	USL (Customer)
<b>Allocators</b>											
2016 kWh		100.0%	20.0%	0.9%	9.6%	40.6%	19.4%	8.8%	0.5%	0.2%	0.0%
2017 Distribution Revenue		100.0%	39.7%	3.7%	14.2%	27.0%	8.5%	4.4%	2.0%	0.5%	0.0%
2020 Revenue Offsets		100.0%	49.2%	4.0%	20.4%	18.3%	3.5%	1.5%	2.3%	0.8%	0.0%
2009/10 Reg Assets Allocation		100.0%	18.2%	0.7%	8.2%	42.4%	19.6%	10.2%	0.5%	0.2%	0.0%
2013 Non-RPP kWh		100.0%	2.1%	0.0%	2.4%	48.3%	31.0%	15.4%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
LRAMVA		100.0%	7.2%	0.3%	29.8%	48.2%	7.3%	7.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
2013 SM Entity Rider Recovery		100.0%	85.2%	5.2%	9.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Stranded Meters		100.0%	51.4%	0.0%	31.8%	16.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
2020 kWh forecast		100.0%	19.3%	1.2%	9.7%	41.0%	19.5%	8.6%	0.5%	0.2%	0.0%
Monthly Billing Conversion		100.0%	89.6%	0.0%	10.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Distribution Revenue GS>50 kW		100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	63.6%	20.0%	10.5%	4.7%	1.2%	0.0%
AR Credits		100.0%	83.5%	0.0%	15.0%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other Allocators 5		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other Allocators 6		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other Allocators 7		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other Allocators 8		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other Allocators 9		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

RA Balance by Class		Allocators (Drop Down)	Total	Residential	CS Multi-Units Residential	GS < 50 kW	GS - 50 to 999 kW	GS > 1,000 to 4,999 kW	Large User =>5,000 kW	Street Lighting	USL (Connections)	USL (Customer)
1	Stranded Meters	Stranded Meters	- 1,387,244	- 713,195	-	- 441,086	- 232,962	-	-	-	-	-
2	Wireless pole attachments Rev	2020 Revenue Offsets	- 642,230	- 316,243	- 25,559	- 131,157	- 117,558	- 22,533	- 9,534	- 14,644	- 5,003	-
3	Impact for USGAAP (Actuarial loss on OPEB)	2017 Distribution Revenue	85,260,576	33,832,134	3,161,726	12,064,619	23,036,048	7,256,312	3,784,727	1,690,071	434,940	-
4	IFRS-CGAAP PP&E	2017 Distribution Revenue	- 1,558,360	- 618,371	- 57,789	- 220,512	- 421,044	- 132,628	- 69,176	- 30,890	- 7,950	-
5	CRRRVA	2017 Distribution Revenue	- 59,426,130	- 23,580,802	- 2,203,705	- 8,408,970	- 16,055,993	- 5,057,608	- 2,637,933	- 1,177,969	- 303,151	-
6	Monthly Billing (OpEx)	Monthly Billing Conversion	15,845,692	14,205,293	-	1,640,399	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Monthly Billing	Monthly Billing Conversion	- 4,041,544	- 3,623,150	-	- 418,394	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	External Driven Capital	2017 Distribution Revenue	- 2,331,134	- 925,014	- 86,446	- 329,862	- 629,835	- 198,397	- 103,479	- 46,209	- 11,892	-
9	OPEB cash vs accrual	2017 Distribution Revenue	8,945,000	3,549,453	331,708	1,265,743	2,416,796	761,286	397,070	177,312	45,631	-
10	Derecognition	2017 Distribution Revenue	- 42,070,982	- 16,694,129	- 1,560,122	- 5,953,166	- 11,366,908	- 3,580,555	- 1,867,536	- 833,949	- 214,617	-
11	Deferred Gain on disposals	2017 Distribution Revenue	- 11,749,417	- 4,662,270	- 435,705	- 1,662,577	- 3,174,505	- 999,963	- 521,558	- 232,902	- 59,937	-
12	Operations Consolidation Plan Sharing Variance	2017 Distribution Revenue	- 71,134,277	- 28,226,696	- 2,637,879	- 10,065,706	- 19,219,347	- 6,054,058	- 3,157,659	- 1,410,053	- 362,878	-
13	Excess Expansion Deposits	Distribution Revenue GS>50 kW	- 5,473,272	-	-	-	- 3,482,742	- 1,097,057	- 572,200	- 255,516	- 65,757	-
14	AR Credits	AR Credits	- 3,407,868	- 2,844,480	-	- 510,430	- 52,044	- 415	-	-	- 499	-
<b>Total</b>			<b>- 93,171,192</b>	<b>- 30,617,471</b>	<b>- 3,513,770</b>	<b>- 13,171,100</b>	<b>- 29,300,095</b>	<b>- 9,125,615</b>	<b>- 4,757,278</b>	<b>- 2,134,750</b>	<b>- 551,113</b>	

Note: The rate riders table (Exhibit 9, Tab 3, Schedule 1) lists all forecasted regulatory account balances proposed for clearance by THESL over the 2020-2024 period (\$93.2M). The other two schedules are subsets of this list. The summary of amounts proposed for disposition of \$78.0 million (Exhibit 9, Tab 1, Schedule 1) excludes accounts for which balances are not expected to recur. The continuity schedule total of \$69.6 million (Exhibit 9, Tab 2, Schedule 1) lists only the regulatory accounts previously approved by the OEB for tracking.

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