

## **DECISION AND RATE ORDER**

EB-2018-0057

# NORTH BAY HYDRO DISTRIBUTION LIMITED

Application for rates and other charges to be effective May 1, 2019

By Delegation, Before: Pascale Duguay

March 28, 2019

## 1 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Through this Decision and Order, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approves the incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application filed by North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited (North Bay Hydro) on September 24, 2018, as amended during the course of the proceeding.

North Bay Hydro serves about 24,000 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the City of North Bay. The company is seeking the OEB's approval for the rates it charges to distribute electricity to its customers, as is required of licenced and rate-regulated distributors in Ontario.

A distributor may choose one of three rate-setting methodologies approved by the OEB. Each of these is explained in the OEB's <u>Chapter 3 Filing Requirements for Incentive Rate-Setting Applications</u> (the Filing Requirements).

North Bay Hydro's application is based on a Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting option (Price Cap IR) with a five-year term. The Price Cap IR option involves the setting of rates through a cost of service application in the first year. Mechanistic price cap adjustments, based on inflation and the OEB's assessment of the distributor's efficiency, are then approved through IRM applications in each of the ensuing four (adjustment) years.

As a result of the OEB's findings in this Decision, there will be a monthly total bill increase before taxes of \$0.69 for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh, effective May 1, 2019.

North Bay Hydro has also applied to change the composition of its distribution service rates. Residential distribution service rates currently include a fixed monthly charge and a variable usage charge. In 2015, the OEB issued a policy to transition these rates to a fully fixed structure over a four-year period beginning in 2016. Accordingly, in 2019 the final upward adjustment, exceeding the mechanistic adjustment alone, in this decision has been made and now the distribution rates have transitioned to a fully fixed structure. There is no longer a variable usage rate for this class of customer. This policy change does not affect the total revenue that distributors collect from residential customers.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OEB Policy – "A New Distribution Rate Design for Residential Electricity Customers." EB-2012-0410, April 2, 2015.

## **2 THE PROCESS**

This Decision is being issued by delegated authority, without a hearing, under section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 (the OEB Act).

The OEB follows a standardized and streamlined process for IRM applications filed under Price Cap IR. In each adjustment year of a Price Cap IR term, the OEB prepares a Rate Generator Model that includes information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements. A distributor will then review and complete the Rate Generator Model and include it with its application.

During the course of the proceeding, the Rate Generator Model will also be updated or corrected, as required. The Rate Generator Model updates base rates, retail transmission service rates and, if applicable, shared tax saving adjustments. It also calculates rate riders for the disposition of deferral and variance account balances.

North Bay Hydro filed its application on September 24, 2018, under section 78 of the OEB Act and in accordance with the Filing Requirements. North Bay Hydro supported its application with written evidence and a completed Rate Generator Model. Questions were asked of, and answers were provided by North Bay Hydro through emails and phone calls with the OEB. Based on this information, a draft decision was prepared and provided to North Bay Hydro on March 8, 2019. North Bay Hydro was given the opportunity to provide its comments on the draft for consideration prior to the OEB issuing this Decision.

## 3 ORGANIZATION OF THE DECISION

In this Decision, the OEB addresses the following issues, and provides reasons for approving or denying North Bay Hydro's proposals relating to each of them:

- Price Cap Adjustment
- Retail Transmission Service Rates
- Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts
- Residential Rate Design

In the final section, the OEB addresses the steps to implement the final rates that flow from this Decision.

This Decision does not address rates and charges approved by the OEB in previous proceedings which are not part of the scope of an IRM proceeding (such as specific

service charges<sup>2</sup> and loss factors). No further approvals are required to continue to include these items on a distributor's Tariff of Rates and Charges.

## 4 PRICE CAP ADJUSTMENT

North Bay Hydro seeks to increase its rates, effective May 1, 2019, based on a mechanistic rate adjustment using the OEB-approved *inflation minus X-factor* formula applicable to Price Cap IR applications.

The components of the Price Cap IR formula applicable to North Bay Hydro are set out in Table 4.1, below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 1.20% increase to North Bay Hydro's rates: 1.20% = 1.50% - (0.00% + 0.30%).

ComponentsAmountInflation Factor31.50%X-FactorProductivity40.00%Stretch  $(0.00\% - 0.60\%)^5$ 0.30%

**Table 4.1: Price Cap IR Adjustment Formula** 

The inflation factor of 1.50% applies to all Price Cap IR applications for the 2019 rate year.

The X-factor is the sum of the productivity factor and the stretch factor. It is a productivity offset that will vary among different groupings of distributors. Subtracting the X-factor from inflation ensures that rates decline in real, constant-dollar terms, providing distributors with a tangible incentive to improve efficiency or else experience declining net income.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The most recent proceedings where approval was granted to change specific service charges are the Report of the OEB – "Wireline Pole Attachment Charges" EB-2015-0304, Issued March 22, 2018 and the Decision and Order on Energy Retail Service Charges EB-2015-0304, Issued on February 14, 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For 2019 Inflation factor see Ontario Energy Board 2019 Electricity Distribution Rate applications - Updates November 23, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Report of the OEB – "Rate Setting Parameters and Benchmarking under the Renewed Regulatory Framework for Ontario's Electricity Distributors" EB-2010-0379, Issued November 21, 2013, corrected December 4, 2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The stretch factor groupings are based on the Report to the Ontario Energy Board – "Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2017 Benchmarking Update", prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., August 2018.

The productivity component of the X-factor is based on industry conditions over a historical study period and applies to all Price Cap IR applications for the 2019 rate year.

The stretch factor component of the X-factor is distributor specific. The OEB has established five stretch factor groupings, each within a range from 0.00% to 0.60%. The stretch factor assigned to any particular distributor is based on the distributor's total cost performance as benchmarked against other distributors in Ontario. The most efficient distributor would be assigned the lowest stretch factor of 0.00%. Conversely, a higher stretch factor would be applied to a less efficient distributor (in accordance with its cost performance relative to expected levels) to reflect the incremental productivity gains that the distributor is expected to achieve. The stretch factor assigned to North Bay Hydro is 0.30%.

## **Findings**

The OEB finds that North Bay Hydro's request for a 1.20% rate adjustment is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB. The adjustment is approved, and North Bay Hydro's new rates shall be effective May 1, 2019.

The adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across all customer classes.<sup>6</sup>

## 5 RETAIL TRANSMISSION SERVICE RATES

Distributors charge retail transmission service rates (RTSRs) to their customers to recover the amounts they pay to a transmitter, a host distributor or both for transmission services. All transmitters charge Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs) approved by the OEB to distributors connected to the transmission system. Host distributors charge host-RTSRs to distributors embedded within the host's distribution system.

North Bay Hydro is partially embedded within Hydro One Networks Inc.'s distribution system and is requesting approval to adjust the RTSRs that it charges its customers to reflect the rates that it pays for transmission services included in Table 5.1 and Table 5.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Price Cap IR and Annual IR Index adjustments do not apply to the following rates and charges: rate riders, rate adders, low voltage service charges, retail transmission service rates, wholesale market service rate, smart metering entity charge, rural or remote electricity rate protection charge, standard supply service – administrative charge, transformation and primary metering allowances, loss factors, specific service charges, microFIT charge, and retail service charges.

Table 5.1: UTRs<sup>7</sup>

Current Approved UTRs (2019)	per kW
Network Service Rate	\$3.71
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.94
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$2.25

Table 5.2: Hydro One Networks Inc. Sub-Transmission Host-RTSRs<sup>8</sup>

Current Approved Sub-Transmission Host RTSRs (2017)	per kW
Network Service Rate	\$3.19
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.77
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.75

## **Findings**

North Bay Hydro's proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved. The RTSRs were adjusted based on the current host-RTSRs and the UTRs current at the time of the filing. The OEB finds that the new 2019 UTRs are to be incorporated into the rate model to adjust the RTSRs that North Bay Hydro will charge its customers accordingly.

The differences resulting from the approval of new 2019 RTSRs will be captured in Accounts 1584 and 1586 for future disposition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Decision and Interim Rate Order, EB-2018-0326, December 20, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Decision and Order, EB-2016-0081, December 21, 2016.

## **6 GROUP 1 DEFERRAL AND VARIANCE ACCOUNTS**

In each year of an IRM term, the OEB will review a distributor's Group 1 deferral and variance accounts in order to determine whether their total balance should be disposed. DEB policy requires that Group 1 accounts be disposed if they exceed (as a debit or credit) a pre-set disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh, unless a distributor justifies why balances should not be disposed. If the balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may elect to request disposition.

The 2017 actual year-end total balance for North Bay Hydro's Group 1 accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2019 is a credit of \$59,514. This amount represents a total credit claim of \$0.0001 per kWh, which does not exceed the disposition threshold and the utility has not requested disposition.

During the course of this proceeding, in response to OEB staff questions, on several occassions North Bay Hydro amended its 2017 Global Adjustment<sup>11</sup> (GA) Analysis Workform. The GA Analysis Workform is an application tool that supports the reasonability of the balance in Account 1589 – Global Adjustment. In one iteration of the Workform, filed January 28, 2019, North Bay Hydro identified a series of adjustments from the IESO with respect to the GA charges paid by North Bay Hydro during 2017. In the final iteration of the Workform, filed February 25, 2019, these reconciling items were removed.

## **Findings**

While North Bay Hydro did not seek disposition of its Group 1 account balances, the OEB notes the following shortcomings regarding the information provided in this proceeding. With respect to the GA Analysis Workform filed on January 28, 2019, the OEB finds that North Bay Hydro has not adequately explained the nature of the IESO adjustments, which groups of customers they pertained to, and whether there were any outstanding RPP settlement ramifications with the IESO impacting the December 31, 2017 account balances. In the final iteration of the Workform, filed February 25, 2019, the reconciling items were removed, also without satisfactory justification in support of their removal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Group 1 accounts track the differences between the costs that a distributor is billed for certain IESO and host distributor services (including the cost of power) and the associated revenues that the distributor receives from its customers for these services. The total net difference between these costs and revenues is disposed to customers through a temporary charge or credit known as a rate rider.

<sup>10</sup> Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR)." EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The GA is established monthly, by the IESO, and varies in accordance with market conditions. It is the difference between the market price and the sum of the rates paid to regulated and contracted generators and conservation and demand management (demand response) program costs.

The OEB expects North Bay Hydro to utilize the OEB's recently issued accounting guidance related to Accounts 1588 RSVA Power and 1589 RSVA Global Adjustment<sup>12</sup> and apply this guidance to its 2017 transactions. If North Bay Hydro identifies that material adjustments are required to Accounts 1588 or 1589 as a result of utilizing the methodology prescribed in the guidance, the OEB expects North Bay Hydro to cite these differences and explain these adjustments in its 2020 IRM application.

## 7 RESIDENTIAL RATE DESIGN

All residential distribution rates currently include a fixed monthly charge and a variable usage charge. The OEB's residential rate design policy stipulates that distributors will transition residential customers to a fully fixed monthly distribution service charge over a four-year period, beginning in 2016.<sup>13</sup> This is the last year of North Bay Hydro's transition period and, accordingly, 2019 is the final year in which North Bay Hydro's rates will be adjusted upwards by more than the mechanistic adjustment alone. North Bay Hydro has transitioned to a fully fixed structure.

The OEB expects an applicant to apply two tests to evaluate whether mitigation of bill impacts for customers is required during the transition period. Mitigation usually takes the form of a lengthening of the transition period. The first test is to calculate the change in the monthly fixed charge, and to consider mitigation if it exceeds \$4. The second is to calculate the total bill impact of the proposals in the application for low volume residential customers (defined as those residential RPP customers whose consumption is at the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile for the class). Mitigation may be required if the bill impact related to the application exceeds 10% for these customers.

North Bay Hydro notes that the implementation of the transition results in an increase to the fixed charge prior to the price cap adjustment of \$3.00. The bill impacts arising from the proposals in this application, including the fixed rate change, are below 10% for low volume residential customers.

## **Findings**

The OEB finds that the proposed 2019 increase to the monthly fixed charge is calculated in accordance with the OEB's residential rate design policy. The results of the monthly fixed charge, and total bill impact for low consumption residential consumers demonstrate that no mitigation is required. The OEB approves the increase as proposed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> <u>Accounting Procedures Handbook Update - Accounting Guidance Related to Commodity Pass-</u> Through Accounts 1588 & 1589

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> As outlined in the Policy cited at footnote 1 above.

by the applicant and calculated in the final Rate Generator Model. The distributor has now completed its transition to a fully fixed rate structure.

## 8 IMPLEMENTATION AND ORDER

This Decision is accompanied by a Rate Generator Model and a Tariff of Rates and Charges (Schedule A).

Model entries were reviewed in order to ensure that they are in accordance with North Bay Hydro's last cost of service decision, and to ensure that the 2018 OEB-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, as well as the cost, revenue and consumption results from 2017, are as reported by North Bay Hydro to the OEB.

The Rate Generator Model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies. The Rate Generator Model incorporates the rates set out in the following table.

**Table 8.1: Regulatory Charges** 

Rate	per kWh
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP)	\$0.0005
Wholesale Market Service (WMS) billed to Class A and B Customers	\$0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) billed to Class B Customers	\$0.0004

Each of these rates is a component of the "Regulatory Charge" on a customer's bill, established annually by the OEB through a separate, generic order. The RRRP, WMS and CBR rates were set by the OEB on December 20, 2018.<sup>14</sup>

The Smart Metering Entity Charge is a component of the "Distribution Charge" on a customer's bill, established by the OEB through a separate order. The Smart Metering Entity Charge was set by the OEB on March 1, 2018.<sup>15</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Decision and Order, EB-2018-0294, December 20, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Decision and Order, EB-2017-0290, March 1, 2018.

#### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT

The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate
Order is approved effective May 1, 2019 for electricity consumed or estimated to
have been consumed on and after such date. North Bay Hydro Distribution Limited
shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill
reflecting the new final rates.

DATED at Toronto, March 28, 2019

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** 

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

## Schedule A

**To Decision and Rate Order** 

**Tariff of Rates and Charges** 

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**DATED: March 28, 2019** 

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### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separate metered living accommodation. Customers shall be residing in single-dwelling units that consist of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, with a residential zoning. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartment building also qualify as residential customers. All customers are single-phase. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale market participant.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

Service Charge	\$	28.70
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.00007
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0065
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)		
	\$/kWh	0.0005

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#### GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification includes non residential accounts taking electricity at 750 volts or less where monthly average peak demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

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Service Charge	\$	24.58
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0189
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.00007
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0063
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0057
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## **GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 2,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification includes non residential accounts where monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 3,000 kW. Class A and Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### **APPLICATION**

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

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If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B is not applicable to wholesale market participants (WMP), customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new Class B customers.

If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of Global Adjustment is only applicable to non-RPP Class B customers. It is not applicable to Wholesale Market Participant (WMP), customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new non-RPP Class B customers.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

Service Charge	\$	310.47
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.5918
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0255
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4823
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.2452
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## GENERAL SERVICE 3,000 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification includes non residential accounts where monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than 3,000 kW but less than 5,000 kW. Class A and Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

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If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B is not applicable to wholesale market participants (WMP), customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new Class B customers.

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It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

Service Charge	\$	6,621.61
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.2171
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0282
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.6331
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.4812
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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#### UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification includes accounts taking electricity at 750 volts or less where monthly average peak demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW and the consumption is unmetered. These connections include cable TV power packs, bus shelters, telephone booths, traffic lights, railway crossings, etc. The customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	5.44
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0125
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.00007
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0063
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0057
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#### SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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Service Charge (per connection)	\$	5.01
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	17.4908
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0201
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8814
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7718
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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#### STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification is for roadway lighting with the Municipality. The consumption for this customer is based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established in the approved Ontario Energy Board street lighting load shape template. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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Service Charge (per connection)	\$	4.98
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	26.7006
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0197
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8722
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7355
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
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#### microFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Independent Electricity System Operator's microFIT program and connected to the distributor's distribution system. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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#### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge \$ 5.40

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#### **ALLOWANCES**

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for Transformer Losses - applied to measured demand & energy	%	(1.00)

#### SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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#### **Customer Administration**

Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00
Non-Payment of Account (see Note below)		
Late payment - per month	%	1.50
Late payment - per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge - no disconnection	\$	30.00
Disconnect/reconnect at meter - during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/reconnect at meter - after regular hours	\$	165.00
Other		
Service call - customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments)	\$	43.63

NOTE: Ontario Energy Board Rate Order EB-2017-0183, issued on March 14, 2019, identifies changes to the Non-Payment of Account Service Charges effective July 1, 2019

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## RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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competitive electricity				
One-time charge, per retailer, to establish the service agreement between the distributor and the retailer	\$	100.00		
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	40.00		
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$	1.00		
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$	0.60		
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$	(0.60)		
Service Transaction Requests (STR)				
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.50		
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.00		
Request for customer information as outlined in Section 10.6.3 and Chapter 11 of the Retail				
Settlement Code directly to retailers and customers, if not delivered electronically through the				
Electronic Business Transaction (EBT) system, applied to the requesting party				
Up to twice a year	\$	no charge		
More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	4.00		
Notice of switch letter charge, per letter (unless the distributor has opted out of applying the charge as per the Ontario Energy Board's Decision and Order EB-2015-0304, issued on February 14, 2019)	\$	2.00		

#### LOSS FACTORS

If the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

Total Loss Factor - Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0471
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0366