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**Subject:** Seasonal Hydro Distribution Rate Proposal (EB-2016-0315)

Received information on the proposal set forth by Hydro One, and clearly this is going to be a contentious issue. But as a Seasonal property owner that has complained about the high costs of distribution charges for years, clearly something needs to be done to make the system more equitable. Yes in my case, I will reside in R1 which will provide me the same rate structure as my neighbour who is 100 feet away. And for the record I have taken numerous steps to reduce my power consumption to approximately 300 kwh per month for the 7 months I reside at this residence including installing alternate resource for cooking and heating. That being said, for me to currently have my invoice every 3 months being split 25% power and 75% distribution is absolutely insane. I have forwarded information to the OEB on this issue before, and I continue to maintain the Hydro One "Shell Game" they play with the current seasonal class of service has a lot to do with how we have come to this issue in the first place.

Also for many folks that may not be in the know, and this is the opinion of many, the fact that we have a system whereby all permanent rural residents (R2) are subsidized is also a contributing factor in the current rate structures as Hydro One has to recoup these costs. And who do you think pays for this. If you guessed all of us kudos to you.

No simple answer on this, half the Seasonal Class benefit, the other half pay more.

No matter what the outcome, not everyone will be happy.

**Terry Tighe**