

December 10, 2019

VIA RESS, EMAIL and COURIER

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
P.O. Box 2319
2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2700
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Electricity Distribution Licence No. ED-2002-0556
2020 Electricity Distribution Rate Application (EB-2019-0046)**

On December 9, 2019 the Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) provided Hydro Ottawa Limited (“Hydro Ottawa”) a letter, Draft Decision and Rate Order effective January 1, 2020 and accompanying models. The letter directed Hydro Ottawa to review the documents and provide any comments by December 10, 2019.

Please find Hydro Ottawa’s comments for OEB consideration.

1. As part of Hydro Ottawa’s proposed disposition of the Global Adjustment variance account for transitioning customers, Hydro Ottawa proposed a one time adjustment to impacted customers. Hydro Ottawa would request the Final Decision to approve a one time adjustment to be applied to customer accounts rather than 12 monthly adjustments.
2. Hydro Ottawa will have wholesales market participant consumption in the General Service 1,500 to 4,999 kW rate class that will be billed in the 2020 effective rate year. As a result, Hydro Ottawa is requesting that the OEB split out all rates for the Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts Applicable only for Non-Wholesale Market Participants in Hydro Ottawa’s rate orders. This will allow Hydro Ottawa not to apply the rate rider to all wholesale market participants (new or current). Hydro Ottawa believes this is in line with how current rate orders apply to new class B customers and applicable rate riders. Hydro Ottawa notes that the consumption in 2018 was immaterial and not reflective of the General Service 1,500 to 4,999 kW rate class.
3. Hydro Ottawa notes that the “Per Board Decision” column on the Data Tab of the Revenue Requirement Workform has not been updated.
4. The Draft Decision refers to the total monthly bill increase for a residential customer to be \$1.36. For clarity, the OEB may wish to add the bill impact is prior to taxes and the Ontario Electricity Rebate.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require anything further.

Respectfully,

Original approved by Gregory Van Dusen

Gregory Van Dusen
Director, Regulatory Affairs
Tel. / tél. 613-738-5499 | ext. / poste 7472
regulatoryaffairs@hydroottawa.com