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The Ontario Energy Board

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-- Comments --

In addition to being a Hydro Ottawa customer, I also have a MicroFIT solar installation on the roof of my home. I am therefore paying the delivery charges twice (once on my regular account, once on my generator account). Rising delivery charges are significantly impacting the financial viability of MicroFIT installations. These fees were \$5.40 monthly in 2015; they are now \$19.13 per month. On my most recent statement, delivery fees consumed 49% of my generation revenue.

On their website, Hydro Ottawa states that delivery charges cover the costs of "delivering electricity from generating stations ... to your home". It is therefore unclear why MicroFIT installations, which are in fact small generating stations, are subject to these fees in the first place.

Nonetheless, homeowners who made significant personal investments in solar systems did so after calculating that they would recoup their investment over the duration of the 20 year MicroFIT contract. If the present application is approved, MicroFIT owners such as me may not "break even," or may even suffer losses.

Therefore, I submit that MicroFIT owners should be exempt from the proposed increases. Furthermore, I submit that when MicroFIT owners are already paying delivery fees on their residential accounts at the same address, their generator accounts be completely exempted from delivery fees.