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DECISION AND RATE ORDER

EB-2019-0060

ORANGEVILLE HYDRO LIMITED

Application for rates and other charges to be effective May 1, 2020

By Delegation, Before: Jane Scott

April 16, 2020

1 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Through this Decision and Rate Order, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approves the incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application filed by Orangeville Hydro Limited (Orangeville Hydro) for new rates effective May 1, 2020.

Orangeville Hydro serves approximately 12,000 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the Town of Orangeville and Town of Grand Valley. The company is seeking the OEB's approval for the rates it charges to distribute electricity to its customers, as is required of licensed 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 [Handbook for Utility Rate Applications](#).

Orangeville 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 typically 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 of \$1.50 before taxes and the Ontario Electricity Rebate¹ for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh, effective May 1, 2020.

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 hearing 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, as a placeholder, information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements.² A distributor will then review and complete the Rate Generator Model, and include it with its application.

¹ O. Reg 363/16, s. 3, effective November 1, 2019.

² The Rate Generator Model is a Microsoft Excel workbook that is used to update 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. During the course of an IRM proceeding, the Rate Generator Model may be updated in order to make any necessary corrections, or to incorporate new rate-setting parameters as they become available.

Orangeville Hydro filed its application on November 4, 2019 under section 78 of the OEB Act and in accordance with the Chapter 3 of the OEB's [Filing Requirements for Incentive Rate-Setting Applications](#) (Filing Requirements) and [Addendum to Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications](#).

The application was supported by pre-filed written evidence and a completed Rate Generator Model. During the course of the proceeding, the applicant responded to OEB staff questions through emails and phone calls and, where required, updated and clarified the evidence.

3 ORGANIZATION OF THE DECISION

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

- Price Cap Adjustment
- Shared Tax Adjustments
- Retail Transmission Service Rates
- Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts
- Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account Balance

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 charges³ 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

Orangeville Hydro seeks to increase its rates, effective May 1, 2020, based on a

³ Specific service charges have been amended by the OEB through: 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. Certain Service Charges are subject to annual inflationary adjustments to be determined by the OEB through a generic order. The Decision and Order EB-2019-0280 issued November 28, 2019 for energy retailer service charges, and the cover letter dated November 28, 2019 "Inflation Adjustment for Energy Retailer Service Charges (EB-2019-0280) and Wireline Pole Attachment Charge (EB-2015-0304) for Electricity Distributors", established the adjustments effective January 1, 2020.

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 adjustment formula applicable to Orangeville Hydro are set out in Table 4.1, below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 1.85% increase to Orangeville Hydro's rates: **1.85% = 2.00% - (0.00% + 0.15%)**.

Table 4.1: Price Cap IR Adjustment Formula

Components		Amount
Inflation Factor ⁴		2.00%
X-Factor	Productivity ⁵	0.00%
	Stretch (0.00% – 0.60%) ⁶	0.15%

The inflation factor of 2.00% applies to all Price Cap IR applications for the 2020 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.

The productivity component of the X-factor is based on industry conditions over a historical study period and applies to all Price Cap IR and Annual IR Index applications for the 2020 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

⁴ For the 2020 Inflation Factor, see Ontario Energy Board 2020 Electricity Distribution Rate applications webpage - October 31, 2019.

⁵ 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.

⁶ The stretch factor groupings are based on the Report to the Ontario Energy Board – “Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2018 Benchmarking Update”, prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., August 15, 2019.

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 Orangeville Hydro is 0.15%.

Findings

The OEB finds that Orangeville Hydro's request for a 1.85% rate adjustment is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB. The adjustment is approved, and Orangeville Hydro's new rates shall be effective May 1, 2020.

The adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable) uniformly across all customer classes.⁷

5 SHARED TAX ADJUSTMENTS

In any adjustment year of a Price Cap IR term, a change in legislation may result in a change to the amount of taxes payable by a distributor. With regard to IRM applications, the OEB has long held that the impact of such legislated tax changes be shared 50/50 between shareholders and ratepayers. The shared tax change amount, whether in the form of a credit or a debit, will be assigned to customer rate classes in the same proportions as the OEB-approved distribution revenue by rate class from the distributor's last cost of service proceeding.

On July 25, 2019, the OEB issued a letter⁸ providing accounting guidance with respect to recent changes in capital cost allowance (CCA) rules. The guidance provides that impacts from changes in CCA rules will not be assessed in IRM applications, and that any request for disposition of amounts related to CCA changes is to be deferred to the distributor's next cost-base rate application. A distributor's request for disposition of shared tax adjustment amounts in an IRM application should, therefore, be comprised only of impacts for tax changes unrelated to CCA (such as changes in corporate income tax rates).

The application identifies a total tax increase of \$66,954, resulting in a shared debit

⁷ 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.

⁸ OEB Accounting Direction Regarding Bill C-97 and Other Changes in Regulatory or Legislated Tax Rules for Capital Cost Allowance, July 25, 2019.

amount of \$33,477 to be collected from ratepayers.

Findings

The OEB approves the tax charge of \$33,477.

The amount shall be collected through a fixed monthly rate rider for residential customers, and through riders calculated on a volumetric basis for all other customers over a one-year period from May 1, 2020, to April 30, 2021.

6 RETAIL TRANSMISSION SERVICE RATES

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

Orangeville Hydro is fully 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 currently approved rates that it pays for transmission services included in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1: Hydro One Networks Inc. Sub-Transmission Host-RTSRs⁹

Sub-Transmission Host RTSRs (2020)	per kW
Network Service Rate	\$3.40
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.80
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$2.02

⁹ EB-2019-0043, Decision and Order, December 17, 2019.

Findings

Orangeville Hydro's proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved. The RTSRs were adjusted based on the current host-RTSRs.

The OEB finds that Hydro One Networks Inc.'s 2020 host sub-transmission RTSRs were incorporated into the rate model to adjust the RTSRs that Orangeville Hydro will charge its customers.

7 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.¹⁰ OEB 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.¹¹ If the balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may elect to request disposition.

In the application as originally filed, Orangeville Hydro requested disposition of a debit amount of \$1,998,394 for the 2018 year-end Group 1 account balances including interest projected to April 30, 2020. This amount represented a total debit claim of \$0.0078 per kWh, which would have exceeded the disposition threshold. Orangeville Hydro requested disposition of this debit amount over a one-year period. However, Orangeville Hydro's evidence in this regard was amended during the course of the proceeding.

In 2018, the OEB suspended its approvals of Group 1 rate riders on a final basis pending the development of further accounting guidance on commodity pass-through variance accounts.¹² The OEB issued accounting guidance¹³ on the commodity accounts on February 21, 2019. In this letter, the OEB indicated that it expects distributors to consider the accounting guidance in the context of historical balances that

¹⁰ 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.

¹¹ Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR)." EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009.

¹² OEB letter to all rate-regulated licensed electricity distributors – "Re: OEB's Plan to Standardize Processes to Improve Accuracy of Commodity Pass-Through Variance Accounts." July 20, 2018.

¹³ Accounting Procedures Handbook Update – Accounting Guidance Related to Commodity Pass-Through Accounts 1588 & 1589, February 21, 2019.

have not yet been disposed on a final basis. Distributors are expected to make any adjustments needed prior to filing for final disposition.

In its 2019 rate proceeding, Orangeville Hydro was denied approval to dispose of 2017 Group 1 balances because the OEB was concerned that there were inaccuracies in the balances of accounts 1588 and 1589. The OEB required Orangeville Hydro to conduct an internal review of its accounting and Regulated Price Plan (RPP) settlement processes and ensure that RPP settlements and RPP settlements true-ups are reflected correctly in the account balances being requested for disposition. The OEB expected Orangeville Hydro to perform its review and make adjustments to the balances of accounts 1588 and 1589 (as necessary) based on the OEB's Accounting Procedures Handbook updates relating to the standardized RPP settlement procedures and accounting guidance.

In this proceeding, Orangeville Hydro has applied the new accounting guidance to the years 2016 to 2019. However, in order to ensure that its 2017 and 2018 commodity pass through account 1588 RSVA power and account 1589 RSVA GA transactions are accurate, Orangeville Hydro has requested to dispose of all Group 1 accounts as of December 31, 2018 except for the two commodity pass through accounts 1588 and 1589, for which it has requested to dispose only the 2016 balances at this time.

The 2018 updated total balance of Group 1 accounts that Orangeville Hydro is seeking disposition for in this application, including interest projected to April 30, 2020, is a debit of \$275,060. This amount represents a total debit claim of \$0.0011 per kWh, which exceeds the disposition threshold. Orangeville Hydro has requested disposition of this debit amount over a one-year period.

a) Global Adjustment Variance Account

One of the components of the commodity costs billed by the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO), which is included in Group 1 accounts, is the Global Adjustment (GA).¹⁴

Different customer groups pay the GA in different ways:

- For RPP customers, the GA is incorporated into the standard commodity rates customers pay. Therefore, there is no separate variance account for the GA.

¹⁴ The GA is established monthly by the IESO to reflect the difference between the wholesale market price for electricity and regulated rates for:

- Ontario Power Generation's nuclear and hydroelectric generating stations
- payments for building or refurbishing infrastructure such as gas-fired and renewable facilities and other nuclear
- contracted rates paid to a number of generators across the province
- the cost of delivering conservation programs.

- "Class A" customers are allocated GA costs based on the percentage their demand contributes to the top five Ontario system peaks. As distributors settle with Class A customers based on actual GA costs, there is no resulting variance.
- "Class B" non-RPP customers are billed GA based on the electricity they consume in a month at the IESO published GA price. Distributors track any difference between the billed amounts and actual costs for these customers in the GA Variance Account for disposal, once audited.

Orangeville Hydro proposes the refund of its GA variance account balance of \$13,134 as at December 31, 2016, including interest to April 30, 2020, in accordance with the following table. As discussed below, Orangeville Hydro has not requested disposition of account 1588 and 1589 for net transactions during the period between January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018.

Table 7.1: Refund of GA Variance

Proposed Amounts	Proposed Method for Refund
\$13,134 refunded to customers who were Class B for the entire period from January 2016 to December 2016	per kWh rate rider

b) Capacity Based Recovery Class B Sub-account

The balance of the Group 1 accounts includes the Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) sub-account for Class B customers of \$4,884, relating to the IESO's wholesale energy market for the CBR program. Orangeville Hydro had no Class A customers during the period from January 2016 to December 2016 so it applied to have the balance of this account disposed along with Account 1580 - Wholesale Market Service Charge through the general Deferral and Variance Account rate rider.

c) Group 1 Accounts

The Group 1 accounts being sought for disposition (excluding GA) include the following flow through variance accounts: Low Voltage Charges, Smart Meter Entity Charges, Wholesale Market Service Charges, Retail Transmission Service Charges, Commodity Power Charges, and Account 1595 residual balances. These Group 1 accounts have a total debit balance of \$288,194, which results in a charge to customers. This balance combined with the balance for the GA account results in the total debit balance for Group 1 accounts of \$275,060.

The balances proposed for disposition reconcile with the amounts reported as part of the OEB's *Electricity Reporting and Record-Keeping Requirements*.¹⁵ Orangeville Hydro further submits that its proposal for a one-year disposition period is in accordance with the OEB's policy.¹⁶

Findings

The OEB approves the disposition of a debit balance of \$275,060 as of December 31, 2018, including interest projected to April 30, 2020 for Group 1 accounts on a final basis. In regards to Accounts 1588 and 1589, the OEB approves the disposition as of December 31, 2016, including interest projected to April 30, 2020. Once Orangeville Hydro has completed its review of its 2017 and 2018 transactions related to the commodity pass through account 1588 RSVA Power and account 1589 RSVA GA in the context of the accounting guidance issued by the OEB on February 21, 2019, it will bring forward amounts for disposition. Orangeville Hydro shall provide support for all adjustments made to the account balances and justification that the account balances are reasonable and should be disposed.

The following table identifies the principal and interest amounts, which the OEB approves for disposition.

Table 7.2: Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance (\$) A	Interest Balance (\$) B	Total Claim (\$) C=A+B
LV Variance Account	1550	669,418	25,549	694,966
Smart Meter Entity Variance Charge	1551	(20,408)	(262)	(20,670)
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(286,239)	(12,413)	(298,652)
Variance WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B	1580	(5,001)	117	(4,884)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	(93,475)	(3,210)	(96,685)

¹⁵ Electricity Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements, Version dated May 3, 2016.

¹⁶ Report of the OEB – “Electricity Distributors’ Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR).” EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009.

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance (\$) A	Interest Balance (\$) B	Total Claim (\$) C=A+B
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	(38,383)	(1,108)	(39,491)
RSVA - Power	1588	68,816	3,076	71,892
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	(15,041)	1,907	(13,134)
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2016)	1595	(6,657)	(3,921)	(10,578)
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2017)	1595	(9,436)	1,732	(7,704)
Totals for all Group 1 accounts		263,593	11,467	275,060

The balance of each of the Group 1 accounts approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595. Such transfer shall be pursuant to the requirements specified in Article 220, Account Descriptions, of the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*.¹⁷ The date of the transfer must be the same as the effective date for the associated rates, which is, generally, the start of the rate year. Orangeville Hydro shall ensure these adjustments are included in the reporting period ending June 30, 2020 (Quarter 2).

The OEB approves these balances to be disposed through final rate riders as calculated in the Rate Generator Model. The final rate riders will be in effect over a one-year period from May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021.¹⁸

¹⁷ Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors, effective January 1, 2012.

¹⁸ 2020 IRM Rate Generator Model Tab 6.1 GA, Tab 6.1a GA Allocation, Tab 6.2 CBR B, Tab 6.2a CBR B_Allocation and Tab 7 Calculation of Def-Var RR.

8 LOST REVENUE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM VARIANCE ACCOUNT BALANCE

In recent years, distributors have delivered conservation and demand management (CDM) programs to their customers through the Conservation First Framework (CFF), which began on January 1, 2015. These programs result in reduced total energy consumption. To address the impact of the reduced consumption, the OEB established a Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) to capture a distributor's revenue implications resulting from differences between actual savings and forecast conservation savings included in the last OEB-approved load forecast.¹⁹ These differences are recorded by distributors at the rate class level.

On March 20, 2019, the CFF was revoked.²⁰ However, the OEB indicated that electricity distributors will continue to have access to a lost revenue adjustment mechanism for conservation program activities undertaken under the CFF.²¹

A distributor may apply for the disposition of the balance in the LRAMVA on an annual basis, as part of its IRM application, if the balance is deemed significant by the distributor.

Orangeville Hydro originally applied to dispose its LRAMVA debit balance of \$63,587. The balance consists of lost revenues in 2018 from CDM programs delivered during the period from 2011-2018 and carrying charges. In response to OEB staff interrogatories, Orangeville Hydro revised its LRAMVA balance to incorporate updates to reflect final program results. This update resulted in a decrease of \$1,158 and a revised LRAMVA balance of \$62,429. The actual conservation savings claimed by Orangeville Hydro were determined by the IESO.²² For CDM programs delivered prior to 2018, the IESO provided Orangeville Hydro with a Final Results Report that summarized all annual CDM results. For CDM programs delivered in 2018, the IESO made monthly Participation and Cost Reports and detailed project level data available to support LRAMVA applications. Actual conservation savings were compared against Orangeville

¹⁹ Guidelines for Electricity Distributor Conservation and Demand Management, EB-2012-0003, April 26, 2012; and Requirement Guidelines for Electricity Distributors Conservation and Demand Management, EB-2014-0278, December 19, 2014.

²⁰ On March 20, 2019 the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines issued separate Directives to the OEB and the IESO.

²¹ Ontario Energy Board letter dated June 20, 2019.

²² For CDM programs delivered from 2015 to 2017, the IESO provided distributors with a Final Results Report that summarized all savings results. For 2018, distributors accessed the Participant and Cost Reports and detailed project level data from the IESO to support LRAMVA applications.

Hydro's forecasted conservation savings of 5,006,667 kWh included in the load forecast, which was set out in Orangeville Hydro's 2014 cost of service proceeding.²³

Findings

The OEB finds that Orangeville Hydro's revised LRAMVA balance has been calculated in accordance with the OEB's CDM-related guidelines and updated LRAMVA policy. The OEB approves the disposition of Orangeville Hydro's revised LRAMVA debit balance of \$62,429, as set out in Table 8.1 below.

Table 8.1 LRAMVA Balance for Disposition

Account Name	Account Number	Actual CDM Savings (\$) A	Forecasted CDM Savings (\$) B	Carrying Charges (\$) C	Total Claim (\$) D=(A-B)+C
LRAMVA	1568	89,339	29,248	2,338	62,429

9 IMPLEMENTATION AND ORDER

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

Model entries were reviewed in order to ensure that they are in accordance with Orangeville Hydro's last cost of service decision, and to ensure that the 2019 OEB-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, as well as the cost, revenue and consumption results from 2018, are as reported by Orangeville 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 9.1: 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

²³ EB-2013-0160, Decision and Rate Order, April 3, 2014.

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 17, 2019.²⁴

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, 2018.²⁵

In the *Report of the Board: Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy*,²⁶ the OEB indicated that it will review the default province-wide microFIT charge annually to ensure it continues to reflect actual costs. In accordance with the established methodology, the OEB has calculated an updated value of \$4.55 per month²⁷ for the 2020 rate year. The Tariff of Rates and Charges attached as Schedule A reflects this updated charge.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Subject to paragraph 2, the Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is approved effective May 1, 2020 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date.
2. In light of the COVID-19 emergency, the Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is approved to be implemented November 1, 2020 if Orangeville Hydro Limited notifies the OEB under paragraph 4 that it is electing to postpone the implementation of its new rates until November 1, 2020.
3. Any temporarily forgone distribution revenue associated with the postponement referred to in paragraph 2 may be tracked in Account 1509 - Impacts Arising from the COVID-19 Emergency, Sub-account Lost Revenues.
4. Orangeville Hydro Limited shall, on or before April 23, 2020, file a letter with the OEB indicating whether it intends to postpone the implementation of the Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order.
5. If Orangeville Hydro Limited elects not to postpone the implementation of the Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order, it shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new final rates.

²⁴ EB-2019-0278, Decision and Order, December 17, 2019.

²⁵ EB-2017-0290, Decision and Order, March 1, 2018.

²⁶ EB-2010-0219, Report of the Board “Review of Electricity Distribution cost Allocation Policy”, March 31, 2011.

²⁷ OEB letter, issued February 24, 2020.

All materials filed with the OEB must quote the file number, **EB-2019-0060**, be made in a searchable/unrestricted PDF format and sent electronically through the OEB's web portal at <https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice>. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and email address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <https://www.oeb.ca/industry>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to boardsec@oeb.ca.

NOTE: The OEB is temporarily waiving the paper copy filing requirement until further notice. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

DATED at Toronto, April 16, 2020

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long
Registrar and Board Secretary

Schedule A

To Decision and Rate Order

Tariff of Rates and Charges

OEB File No: EB-2019-0060

DATED: April 16, 2020

Orangeville Hydro Limited
TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES
Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2020
This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously
approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to residential customers residing in detached, semi detached, townhouse (freehold or condominium) dwelling units duplexes or triplexes. Basic connection is defined as 100 amp 120/240 volt overhead service. 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.

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	27.11
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$	0.16
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0017
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0010
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0003
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0070
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0042

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

Orangeville Hydro Limited
TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES
Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2020
This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously
approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to a non-residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly peak demand is less than or expected 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.

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.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	34.07
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0104
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0012
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0065
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0039

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 50 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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APPLICATION

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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.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	174.60
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.3443
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.6049
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.8608
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021 Applicable only for Non-Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	(0.3798)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.0171
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.0198
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.6533
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5648

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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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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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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	3.40
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	13.2824
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4774
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.4608
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	1.0565
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.2429
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0109
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2354

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 refers to accounts concerning roadway lighting for a Municipality, Regional Municipality, and/or the Ministry of Transportation. This lighting will be controlled by photocells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times as 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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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	1.55
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	8.5544
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.4675
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.3816
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	4.7206
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kW	0.2564
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0010
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2096

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 refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW and the consumption is unmetered. Such connections include cable TV power packs, bus shelters, telephone booths, traffic lights, railway crossings, etc. The level of the consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. 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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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	6.51
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0091
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0013
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change (2020) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0002
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0065
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0039

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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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	\$	4.55
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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

Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Pulling post dated cheques	\$	15.00
Notification charge	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00

Non-Payment of Account

Late payment - per month (effective annual rate 19.56% per annum or 0.04896% compounded daily rate)	%	1.50
Reconnection at meter - during regular hours	\$	65.00
Reconnection at meter - after regular hours	\$	185.00
Reconnection at pole - during regular hours	\$	185.00
Reconnection at pole - after regular hours	\$	415.00

Other

Temporary service - install & remove - overhead - no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service - install & remove - underground - no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service - install & remove - overhead - with transformer	\$	1,000.00
Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments)	\$	44.50

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RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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Retail Service Charges refer to services provided by a distributor to retailers or customers related to the supply of competitive electricity.

One-time charge, per retailer, to establish the service agreement between the distributor and the retailer	\$	102.00
Monthly fixed charge, per retailer	\$	40.80
Monthly variable charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	1.02
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.61
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.61)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.51
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.02
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)	\$	4.08
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)	\$	2.04

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	1.0481
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0376