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Re: Elimination of Hydro One Seasonal Rate Class We are owners of a seasonal property located at [REDACTED]
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We have been notified that the seasonal rate class will be eliminated and that we will be moved to the R2 residential rate class. This will mean a huge increase in our cost of electricity use. Essentially we will see more than a doubling of our current cost of electricity for the same kwh usage.

The letter from Hydro One stated that the OEB will not reconsider the decision to eliminate the Seasonal Rate Class. This decision by the OEB is unfair and certainly inequitable. Doubling the cost of our electricity places a huge financial burden upon us.

If the OEB is not willing to reconsider the decision to eliminate the seasonal residential rate class, at a minimum the OEB needs to implement a mitigation strategy to reduce the financial impacts upon the affected seasonal property owners. Mitigation can be done by limiting the amount that the current year's billing can exceed the previous year's billing. A reasonable percentage increase year over year would be 5%. This is well above the current inflation rate and would allow for a manageable budgeting process that the seasonal property owners can use to absorb the increase in electricity costs as well as allowing them to deal with all the other costs of seasonal property ownership. Reducing the year over year cost increases to 5% allows the seasonal property owners to have some relief from the huge financial burden that the OEB has placed upon them with the decision to eliminate the seasonal rate class. At the very least it allows the seasonal property owner some moderation to the shock of the enormous increase to electricity costs.

Jeanne Petras
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