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**To:** registrar <registrar@oeb.ca>  
**Subject:** Seasonal Rate Class - Letter of Comment

Case Number EB-2020-0246

Home Address [REDACTED]  
Seasonal Address [REDACTED]

As an owner of a seasonal property I received a notice advising that I will be moving to a (R2) low density class. When I purchased my property in 2010 I was on a residential class rate. Upon receiving two large bills approximately \$600.00 each and not being there in the winter it was suggested that I should move to a seasonal rate. This is what I did and everything seemed fine until I received the current notice to move me to residential.

You have asked citizens to conserve their usage of hydro which I have done and be conscious of High/Low/Mid rates .The hydro lines have always run by my seasonal house and I do not feel that in the little village(approx.. 20 houses) that I should have to pay higher rates for the people that use hydro year round. I currently pay delivery rates even though I am not residing there for approx..6 months of the year.

Most of the surrounding residents in Sandfield are in the R1 class so I think it is very unfair for me to be charged in the R2 class when I am beside the R1 residents. I believe you are asking seasonal residents to pay a higher rate fee and higher delivery fees to subsidize my neighbours who live here year round. This is not fair for seasonal residents and needs to be looked into deeper. For me to be responsible for my neighbours costs is totally unacceptable.

Sincerely  
Peter Hutchinson