

Subject: Letter of Comment

The Ontario Energy Board

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We have looked over the notice Hydro One has sent out to seasonal properties. The category of **Seasonal Property is to be eliminated**. The notice is advising these proposed increases might become effective **January 1, 2022** or later.

As well, on page 2 **Changes to Total bill** due to the elimination of the seasonal category is outlined. Right now our invoices are based on time of day consumption, low, mid and peak rates over a **quarterly period**.

This chart is based on **monthly consumption** and on the notice that was sent out, a monthly average is shown based on total usage over 12 months. The new rates cannot be based on a quarterly read and subsequently averaged out for Hydro One's benefit to ensure a large monthly billing, even in off-season times. Meters would have to be read and billed monthly.

When there is zero usage over 6 months of non-use there should then be no charges. Will there be a continued "delivery charge" as well? This notice does not clarify that.

**Hydro Ones examples of potential billing:**

**50 kwh per month** basic cost on **column B \$54.06** from column C **add: \$6.28** plus from column E **add: \$53.79** and the bill would be **\$114.13 a month**.

**350 kwh per month** basic cost on **column B \$100.20** from column C **subtract: \$1.02** plus from column E **add: \$54.31** and the bill would be **\$154.62 a month**.

**1000 kwh per month** basic cost on column B **200.17** from column C **subtract: \$16.86** plus from column E **add: 55.44** bill would be **\$238.75 a month**.

This is completely unacceptable to anyone who owns a seasonal residence and it will be financially out of reach for many owners. We ask that Hydro One re-evaluate this proposal.

Regards,

Lisa D. Boles