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DECISION AND RATE ORDER

EB-2020-0005

BLUEWATER POWER DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION

Application for rates and other charges to be effective May 1, 2021

By Delegation, Before: Theodore Antonopoulos

March 25, 2021

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 Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation (Bluewater Power) for new rates effective May 1, 2021.

Bluewater Power serves approximately 36,000 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the City of Sarnia, the Town of Petrolia, the Village of Point Edward, the Village of Oil Springs, the Township of Warwick, and the Township of Brooke-Alvinston in southwestern Ontario. 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](#).

Bluewater Power's application is based on the Annual IR Index option to set rates for 2021.¹ The Annual IR Index is based on inflation less the OEB's highest stretch factor assessment of a distributor's efficiency. In accordance with the OEB-approved 2021 parameters for an Annual IR Index adjustment, Bluewater Power applied for an increase of 1.60% to distribution rates.

As a result of this Decision, there will be a monthly total bill increase of \$2.25 for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh, effective May 1, 2021. The increase does not factor in applicable taxes or the Ontario Electricity Rebate.²

¹ EB-2020-0005, OEB Letter re: Application for 2021 Rates, June 19, 2020

² O.Reg 363/16, S. 3, effective November 1, 2019

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 the Annual IR Index option. In each adjustment year of an Annual IR Index term, the OEB prepares a Rate Generator Model that includes, as a placeholder, information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements.³ A distributor will then review and complete the Rate Generator Model, and include it with its application.

Bluewater Power filed its application on November 6, 2020, under section 78 of the OEB Act and in accordance with the OEB's [Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications, Chapter 3 - for Incentive Rate-Setting Applications](#) (Filing Requirements). The application was updated on December 18, 2020.

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, where required, updated and clarified the evidence.

³ 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.

3 ORGANIZATION OF THE DECISION

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

- Annual IR Index 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 charges⁴ and loss factors). No further approvals are required to continue to include these items on a distributor's Tariff of Rates and Charges.

⁴ Certain Service Charges are subject to annual inflationary adjustments to be determined by the OEB through a generic order. The Decision and Order EB-2020-0285, issued December 3, 2020 established the adjustment for energy retailer service charges, effective January 1, 2021. The Order EB-2020-0288, issued December 10, 2020, set the Wireline Pole Attachment Charge for January 1, 2021 on an interim basis.

4 ANNUAL IR INDEX ADJUSTMENT

Bluewater Power seeks to change its rates, effective May 1, 2021, based on a mechanistic rate adjustment using the OEB-approved *inflation minus X-factor* formula applicable to Annual IR Index applications.

The components of the Annual IR Index adjustment formula applicable to Bluewater Power are set out in Table 4.1, below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 1.60% increase to Bluewater Power's rates: **1.60% = 2.20% - (0.00% + 0.60%)**.

Table 4.1: Annual IR Index Adjustment Formula

Components		Amount
Inflation Factor ⁵		2.20%
X-Factor	Productivity ⁶	0.00%
	Stretch (0.00% to 0.60%) ⁷	0.60%

A maximum inflation factor of 2.20% applies to all Annual IR Index applications for the 2021 rate year, provided that a utility does not elect a lower inflation factor to be used.

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 2021 rate year.

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

⁵ For the 2021 Inflation Factor, see Ontario Energy Board 2021 Electricity Distribution Rate applications webpage – November 9, 2020.

⁶ 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

⁷ The stretch factor groupings are based on the Report to the Ontario Energy Board – “Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2019 Benchmarking Update”, prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., August 2020

Ontario. The most efficient 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. For Annual IR Index applications, the OEB applies a default stretch factor of 0.60%.

In light of the continued uncertainty regarding the severity and duration of the COVID-19 emergency, and its impact on electricity utilities and customers alike, for 2021 rate adjustment applications, the OEB allowed utilities the discretion of applying either the calculated inflation factor in accordance with the OEB-approved methodology or a lower value. Utilities were also given the discretion to forego the inflationary increase entirely.⁸

The OEB required all utilities that filed (or were planning to file) 2021 rate adjustment applications to file a letter on the record of their rates proceedings, indicating the inflation factor that the utility has elected.

On January 21, 2021, Bluewater Power filed a letter advising the OEB that it is electing an inflation factor of 2.20% for 2021 rates, resulting in a rate adjustment of 1.60%.⁹

Findings

The OEB finds that Bluewater Power's request for a 1.60% rate adjustment is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB, as well as the process established for the implementation of the 2021 inflation factor. The adjustment is approved, and Bluewater Power's new rates shall be effective May 1, 2021.

The adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable) uniformly across all customer classes.¹⁰

⁸ [OEB Letter, 2021 Inflation Parameters, issued November 9, 2020](#)

⁹ EB-2020-0005, Letter re: Bluewater Power's 2021 Inflation Factor, January 21, 2021

¹⁰ 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 and microFIT charge.

5 SHARED TAX ADJUSTMENTS

In any adjustment year of an Annual IR Index 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 letter¹¹ 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 \$60,905, resulting in a shared debit amount of \$30,452 to be collected from ratepayers.

This allocated tax sharing amount does not produce a rate rider to the fourth decimal place, in one or more rate classes. In such situations, where the Rate Generator Model does not compute rate riders, distributors typically are required to transfer the entire OEB-approved tax sharing amount into the Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances Control Account (Account 1595) for disposition at a later date.

Findings

The OEB approves the tax charge of \$30,452.

The allocated tax sharing debit amount of \$30,452 does not produce a rate rider in one or more rate classes. The OEB, therefore, directs Bluewater Power to record the OEB-approved tax sharing debit amount of \$30,452 into Account 1595 "Sub-account Principal Balances Approved for Disposition in 2021."

¹¹ OEB Accounting Direction Regarding Bill C-97 and Other Changes in Regulatory or Legislated Tax Rules for Capital Cost Allowance, July 25, 2019

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 is OEB-approved.

Bluewater Power is partially 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 and Table 6.2.

Table 6.1: UTRs¹²

UTRs (2021)	per kW
Network Service Rate	\$4.67
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.77
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$2.53

Table 6.2: Hydro One Networks Inc. Sub-Transmission Host-RTSRs¹³

Sub-Transmission Host RTSRs (2021)	per kW
Network Service Rate	\$3.4778
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.8128
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$2.0458

¹² EB-2020-0251, Decision and Order, December 17, 2020

¹³ EB-2020-0030, Decision and Order, December 17, 2020

Findings

Bluewater Power's proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved. The OEB notes that the 2021 UTRs and Hydro One Networks Inc.'s 2021 host-RTSRs were incorporated into the rate model to adjust the RTSRs that Bluewater Power 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.¹⁴ 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.¹⁵ If the balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may elect to request disposition.

The 2019 actual year-end balance for Bluewater Power's Group 1 accounts is a debit of \$185,959 with interest projected to April 30, 2021. This amount represents a total debit claim of \$0.0002 per kWh, which does not exceed the disposition threshold. Bluewater Power has not requested to dispose of its Group 1 account balance in this proceeding.¹⁶

Findings

The OEB finds that the account balances appear reasonable and confirms that the threshold calculation is correct. No disposition is required at this time, as the disposition threshold has not been exceeded and the utility did not request disposition.

¹⁴ 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.

¹⁵ Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR)." EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009.

¹⁶ Response to OEB staff question #1, January 21, 2021

8 LOST REVENUE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM VARIANCE ACCOUNT BALANCE

A distributor's conservation and demand management (CDM) programs may result in reduced overall consumption. To address this, the OEB established a Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA), which captures a distributor's revenue implications resulting from differences between actual savings and forecast conservation savings included in the last OEB-approved load forecast.¹⁷ These differences are recorded by distributors at the rate class level.

Beginning on January 1, 2015, distributors delivered CDM programs to their customers through the Conservation First Framework (CFF). On March 20, 2019, the CFF was revoked.¹⁸ Shortly thereafter, the OEB advised that electricity distributors would continue to have access to a lost revenue adjustment mechanism for conservation program activities undertaken under the CFF.¹⁹ The OEB provided direction to distributors seeking to claim program savings up to December 31, 2019 related to CFF programs or other programs they deliver.²⁰

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.

In the application as originally filed, Bluewater Power proposed to dispose of a LRAMVA debit balance of \$687,794. The balance consisted of lost revenues in the 2019 program year from CDM programs delivered during the period from 2011-2019, and the historical 2011-2019 savings persisting into 2020. Its LRAMVA request, however, did not include any incremental savings delivered from programs in the 2020 year. Bluewater Power stated its intention to claim the 2020 incremental savings in a future rate application in an effort to smooth bill impacts.

During the course of the proceeding, Bluewater Power removed the lost revenues related to 2011-2019 persisting savings in 2020 in order to exclude amounts related to the 2020 calendar year, given that other incremental amounts that arose in 2020 were not part of the request for recovery.²¹ The updated request results in a decrease of

¹⁷ 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

¹⁸ On March 20, 2019 the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines issued separate Directives to the OEB and the IESO.

¹⁹ Ontario Energy Board letter dated June 20, 2019

²⁰ Chapter 3 Filing Requirements, section 3.2.6.1

²¹ Response to OEB staff question #4 b), January 21, 2021

\$330,263 to the LRAMVA claim and a revised LRAMVA debit balance of \$357,531, which includes lost revenues up to and including the 2019 program year.

The actual conservation savings claimed by Bluewater Power under the CFF were determined by the IESO.²² For CDM programs delivered prior to 2018, the IESO provided Bluewater Power with a Final Verified Results Report that summarized all annual CDM results. For CDM programs delivered in 2018 and until the end of the CFF in 2019, the IESO made monthly Participation and Cost Reports and detailed project-level data available to Bluewater Power. Actual conservation savings were compared against Bluewater Power's forecasted conservation savings of 16,150,633 kWh included in the load forecast, which was set out in Bluewater Power's 2013 cost of service proceeding.²³

Findings

The OEB finds that Bluewater Power's revised LRAMVA balance has been calculated in accordance with the OEB's CDM-related guidelines and updated LRAMVA policy.

The OEB notes that Bluewater Power's original proposal would have resulted in the OEB approving an amount related to the 2020 calendar year in this proceeding, with other 2020 amounts to be disposed in a future application. This approach is typically not approved by the OEB, as this may mean that any further amounts arising in the 2020 calendar year may not qualify for approval. Bluewater Power's revised approach allows the entire 2020 balance to be reviewed holistically by the OEB when brought forth for disposition in a future proceeding.

The OEB approves the disposition of Bluewater Power's revised LRAMVA debit balance of \$357,531, 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	398,297	49,724	8,958	357,531

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.

²³ EB-2012-0107, Decision and Rate Order, April 25, 2013

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 Bluewater Power’s last cost of service decision, and to ensure that the 2020 OEB-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, as well as the cost, revenue and consumption results from 2019, are as reported by Bluewater Power 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

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 10, 2020.²⁴

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. On February 25, 2021, the OEB announced that the microFIT charge for

²⁴ EB-2020-0276, Decision and Order, December 10, 2020

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

the 2021 rate year will remain at \$4.55 per month.²⁷

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is approved effective May 1, 2021 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date. Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new final rates.

DATED at Toronto, March 25, 2021

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long
Registrar

²⁷ OEB letter: Review of Fixed Monthly Charge for microFIT Generator Service Classification, issued February 25, 2021

Schedule A

To Decision and Rate Order

Tariff of Rates and Charges

OEB File No: EB-2020-0005

DATED: March 25, 2021

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2021

This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

EB-2020-0005

RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

All service supplied to single-family dwelling units for domestic or household purposes shall be classed as residential service. Where electricity service is provided for combined residential and business purposes (including agricultural usage) and the wiring does not provide for separate metering, the classification shall be in the discretion of Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation ("Bluewater Power") and shall be based on such considerations as the estimated predominant consumption or the municipal tax roll classification. A residential customer may be found in a detached, semi-detached, linear row housing, apartment building or mixed-use building. Where more than one dwelling is served by a single meter, that service shall be considered a General Service Customer. 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	\$	33.28
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kWh	0.0001
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0085
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0066

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

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2021

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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a customer not designated as Residential, and that over a twelve month period has, or a new customer forecast to have, an average monthly peak demand less than 50 kW, and has a monthly peak demand that never exceeds 100 kW. Bluewater Power shall review this rate class designation on an annual basis and the customer's designated rate class may change as a result. 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	\$	29.80
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0207
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kWh	0.0006
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0079
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0058

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

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2021

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GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a customer not designated as Residential, and that over a twelve month period has, or a new customer forecast to have, an average monthly peak demand equal to or greater than 50 kW and less than 1,000 kW. This rate class designation is reviewed on an annual basis and the customer's designated rate class may change as a result. 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.

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 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 non-RPP Class B customers.

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	\$	159.19
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.6259
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0748
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kW	0.4944
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.1689
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3456

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

Bluewater Power Distribution Corporation

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2021

This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

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GENERAL SERVICE 1,000 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a customer not designated Residential, and that: over a twelve month period has, or a new customer forecast to have, an average monthly peak demand equal to or greater than 1,000 kW and less than 5,000 kW. This rate class designation is reviewed on an annual basis and the customer's designated rate class may change as a result. Class A and 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.

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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 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 non-RPP Class B customers.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	3,499.11
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.8871
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0820
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kW	0.0393
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.3657
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5714

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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LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to a customer not designated as Residential, and that over 12 consecutive billing periods has, or a new customer forecast to have, an average monthly peak demand equal to or greater than 5,000 kW. This rate class designation is reviewed on an annual basis and the customer's designated rate class may change as a result. Class A and 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	\$	27,381.43
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.0563
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0938
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kW	0.0075
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	3.7266
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.9405

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 applies to an account whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or a new customer 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 Bluewater Power 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)	\$	13.39
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0364
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0002
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kWh	(0.0006)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0079
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0058

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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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)	\$	4.31
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	28.4539
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0590
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kW	(0.0647)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4019
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8513

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 applies to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times 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)	\$	2.67
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	20.8108
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0578
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2021) - effective until April 30, 2022	\$/kW	(0.0941)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3899
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8136

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

Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Income tax letter	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	10.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	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

Other

Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments) - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$	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	\$	104.24
Monthly fixed charge, per retailer	\$	41.70
Monthly variable charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	1.04
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.62
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.62)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.52
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.04
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)	\$	4.17
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)	\$	2.08

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	1.0421
Total Loss Factor - Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0170
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0316
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0069