

February 25, 2021

Ontario Energy Board
PO Box 2319
2300 Yonge St, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4
Attn: Registrar

Re: EB2020-0246 Elimination of Hydro One Seasonal Rate Class

Board members,

We have a cottage on an island in Severn Township. The land has been in the family since 1903 and the cottage was built in the 1950s. It is truly seasonal as it is inaccessible for some months due to poor ice conditions. It has no insulation or heat.

We have conserved energy and kept hydro usage low to avoid high electricity bills. We now find out that we are to be penalized due to the removal of the seasonal rate class by the OEB. We are being reclassified to the residential low density (R2) class.

The new plan proposes mitigation measures for customers expecting to see an increase of more than 10%, phasing in the increase over a number of years.

We have worked out the new figures based on last year's figures and the Hydro One model.

Every year, our main electrical panel is off for 7 months. In 2020, our annual bill, using the regular time-of-use pricing NOT pandemic pricing, was \$562.85 - \$46.91/month. After changing to the R2 class, our new bill would \$1369.56 - \$114.13/month....an increase of \$67.22/month.

This is well over 100%!

Remember, we use NO power 7 months of the year.

This is unacceptable and offensive. Please reconsider your decision.

Thank you.



R. Kent Weale



Sydney L. Weale

