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Subject: Elimination of Seasonal Rate Class (EB-2020-0246)

Several years ago, my husband and I purchased a camp (cottage) on Dog Lake in the Thunder Bay area. It was literally a fishing shack but over the years, we made changes to make it a place we could visit on weekends during the summer months. Since we only were able to go to camp on weekends—staying over one night only on occasion, the hydro bills we received were high but manageable. Over the fall/winter months, we closed up the camp and shut off all electrical appliances (turned them off from the electrical panel). We continued to pay hydro over the winter—which was quite high given we did not use any electrical power during the months of Oct-May.

Now we are being informed that our hydro bill will double since we are in the lower consumption category. This is absolutely ridiculous. How can the Ontario Energy Board justify such an absurd increase. This increase makes no sense to any of us. Especially now, with people struggling to keep their jobs and pay their bills.

This camp is my husband's legacy. He passed away from COVID in January and the hope is that this camp be kept by our children for years to come and it be shared with their children. To think that this dream can now become unaffordable is heartbreaking.

I am asking that the OEB reconsider this irrational and illogical increase to our rates.

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