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I live in the US, and have owned property in Ontario since 1983. I would like to be an intervenor in this proceeding. Every year, my Hydro usage is low. In 2020, Hydro One “estimates” my usage to be zero kWh and my monthly service charge is \$49.00 per month. Upon receipt of the notice, I called Hydro One and a representative told me that my new monthly rate will be \$100/ month, or more than double.

My neighbors who are permanent residents are allowed a significant Rural Rebate although this has never been provided to me.

In my opinion, Hydro One’s taking over for the previous Ontario Hydro has resulted in a loss to the customers. A statement in Hydro One’s letter, “The OEB has found that the distribution rates currently charged to seasonal customers do not appropriately reflect the cost to serve them.” In my opinion, they are not reflective because we are overcharged.

Lastly, I feel that hearings of this nature should be the most conducive to participation and later following the procedures and discussions involved.

Therefore it is my opinion that these should be oral, rather than written hearings.