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Letter of comment from Hydro [REDACTED] To The Ontario Energy Board In response to EB-2020-2046 notice received Feb 26/2021:

I am a retired widow living 3-4 months/year in my modest cottage on Georgian Bay (now in its fourth generation. I pay taxes to the township of Carling yearly which are almost equal to what I pay in the city without the same services) and unfortunately I am dependent on Hydro One for electrical power for the basics light, water and two appliances (stove and refrigerator).

As I have been designated as an R2 residential LOW Density Class, my hydro bills will increase by 100%. I am shocked to say the least. While I understand that this is based on density and not usage, I fail to understand why the R2 rates increase by 100% while the UR class sees an almost equal decline in their rates.!

I certainly hope that there will be some mitigation to this. I know of no other vital service that increases by 100% and even 10% seems high. IN my own community application is being made to increase rates by \$2:73 / month whereas my rate would increase by \$50:00+/ per month.

I could understand smaller yearly increases over time for the the R2 class and decreases for the UR class. The possible impact for me and my family if there is no mitigation (or if the mitigation is not more gradual) are two fold:

1. That I may have to give up my cottage or 2. That I may have to come off the grid and look to other resources for powering my electrical needs. Although I recognize that this may be initially costly at least it would be stable.

Please add me to the contact list for future updates!