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Subject: Fwd: Elimination of Seasonal property designation, and move to R2(EB-2020-0246)

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>> I wish to protest the decision to change the designation of my property at Seasonal to R2.

- >> As a seasonal property, the cottage sits empty with no kWh being used for eight or nine months of the year.
- >> As a result, when you average my summer bills over the year, I only use 213kWh.a month, but now , with a projected move to R 2,my Hydro One bill, with delivery costs and your projected additional costs will increase by 60%.!
- >> Added to this fact is the 10% reduction in the rebate from the Province.
- >> The cottage has only a fridge, stove and microwave. I have stopped using the hotwater tank (in a effort to lower costs).
- >> If you moved Seasonal customers to R1,medium density, as seems to have been discussed at your meetings previously, this enormous increase would have been avoided. There are permanent homes all around me, whom I assume are similarly affected. I imagine density will only increase in the years to come.
- >> It was a rural area when first constructed, 55 years ago, but is now in the City of Ottawa, where my permanent home is, ... fortunately on Hydro Ottawa.
- >> I look forward to hearing the justification for the high delivery charges and the decision to increase your rates inside the City ,by changing the designation from Seasonal to R2 by such a huge margin, even if it is phased in over a number of yearsespecially when changing the designation to R1 would ultimately be more fair to the consumer.

Reading your Notice to me, and the chart on page two, it appears that only Seasonal designated properties are so negatively affected.

Thankyou for listening. I would be happy to answer any further questions you might have.

Patricia Kealey