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CM: Re: Procedural Order No. 1 - Hydro One Networks Inc. - Elimination of Seasonal Rates - OEB File No. EB-2020-0246

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I have attached a signed PDF of the following letter. Thank you for sending us the update on the Boards deliberations.

The Ontario Energy Board
2300 Young ST
27th Floor
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Toronto , Ontario

RE: EB 2020-0246 and procedural order #1 of April 12th, regarding the elimination of the Season rate class

We note that some aspects of the implementation process linked to the decision to reclassify our hydro service are being examined.

I think each of the points listed in your order are important. Two struck particular note with us.

Issue no. 5 on your pdf. "We only use our cottage 4 months of the year....."

I suspect you paraphrased the same concern as seen in many letters. However, I want the Energy Board to realize that using the property in such a limited fashion has not been by choice for us. Our cottage is on an island with no road access and transportation by boat only when the water is ice free and the weather is moderate enough. (Ice conditions near the island are known to be poor due to water flux between the islands. We do not complain about paying for electrical service year round. We have consistently supported the system by paying for unused service, power and debt servicing for most of every year.

The second item we question will anticipate a discussion that has to do with the idea of annually, incrementally raising rates to reach the cost recovery annual target. (and has that target changed since the Fall 2020 estimates prepared by Hydro One?)

We will be interested to see any comments on that topic..

To provide service, Hydro has the same access problems and need for safe transit conditions that limit our use for most of the year. Frankly we could not expect the same level of service as a mainland property and (even if we could reach the property) would not risk depending on hydro power through the late Fall to mid spring. We are not demanding customers, and appreciate hydro service occurring using safe timing, which coincides with lower service cost. We trust this reality will be factored into the change in annual hydro cost.

Finally, we are retired and need to budget carefully, so we will optimistically hope our energy costs are rational , based upon reasonable assumptions going forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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To: All Participants in EB-2020-0246, EB-2019-0234 and EB-2016-0315

The OEB has today issued its Procedural Order No. 1 for the above mentioned proceeding. Please see attached.

Thank you.

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