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**Sent:** Tuesday, October 5, 2021 8:39 PM  
**To:** registrar <[registrar@oeb.ca](mailto:registrar@oeb.ca)>  
**Subject:** EB-2021-0006 RE SEASONAL RATE CHARGES WITH ALGOMA POWER INC.

Good afternoon:

I am writing to voice our displeasure with Algoma Power Inc. and their practice of seasonal rate delivery charges for clients who own property on St. Joseph Island that are used primarily as summer homes. We are the owners of [REDACTED].

Since our purchase in 2020, we have experienced varied delivery charge rates with some being upward and in excess of \$200 per month with minimal electricity use charges. Our current bill has a delivery charge of \$130.64 with electricity charges of \$42.00. The total bill with taxes is \$164.62 after the Ontario Electricity Rebate has been applied. This is one of the lower bills that we have received.

We would love to be able to use our property during the winter months as well however the high costs associated with Algoma Power once turning on the heat prohibits us doing so. We received a bill in October 2020 that exceeded \$400 for one month when heating was turned on intermittently. The inability to use the property during winter months also diminishes our contribution to the local economy as we are not spending money on the island when we are not there. As such, local businesses suffer.

We respectfully request that the Ontario Energy Board not approve Algoma Power Inc. distribution charge application for 2022 as it relates to seasonal rate payers delivery charges. Information has been provided through contact with OEB that other providers such as Hydro One have been ordered to cease with seasonal rate classes. It would be our expectation that Algoma Power Inc. be required to do the same.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Linda and Ronald Kauppi  
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