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DECISION AND RATE ORDER

EB-2022-0032

FESTIVAL HYDRO INC.

Application for rates and other charges to be effective
January 1, 2023

BY DELEGATION, BEFORE: **Kevin Mancherjee**
Director
Operations Decision Support

December 8, 2022

1. OVERVIEW

The Ontario Energy Board is approving changes to the rates that Festival Hydro Inc. (Festival Hydro) charges to distribute electricity to its customers, effective January 1, 2023.

As a result of this Decision, there will be a monthly total bill increase of \$3.64 for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh. This change does not factor in applicable taxes or the Ontario Electricity Rebate.

2. CONTEXT AND PROCESS

Festival Hydro filed its application on August 3, 2022 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and in accordance with Chapter 3 of the OEB's *Filing Requirements for Incentive Rate-Setting Applications* (Filing Requirements). The application was based on the Annual IR Index (Annual IR) option.

The Annual IR option is one of three incentive rate-setting mechanisms (IRM) approved by the OEB.¹ Under this methodology, existing rates are subject to an annual price cap adjustment. Distributors under the Annual IR are not required to periodically set base rates using a cost of service process, but they are required to apply the highest stretch factor in the price cap adjustment.

The OEB follows a standardized and streamlined process for hearing IRM applications filed under Annual IR. In each adjustment year of an Annual IR mechanism, the OEB prepares a Rate Generator Model that includes, as a placeholder, information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements. A distributor will then review, complete, and include the model with its application, and may update the model during the proceeding to make any necessary corrections or to incorporate new rate-setting parameters as they become available.

Festival Hydro serves approximately 22,000 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the City of Stratford and the surrounding towns of St. Marys, Seaforth, Brussels, Dashwood, Hensall and Zurich.

The application was supported by pre-filed written evidence and a completed Rate Generator Model and as required during the proceeding, Festival Hydro updated and clarified the evidence.

¹ Each of these options is explained in the OEB's [Handbook for Utility Rate Applications](#).

3. DECISION OUTLINE

Each of the following issues is addressed in this Decision, together with the OEB's findings.

- Annual Adjustment Mechanism
- Retail Transmission Service Rates
- Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts
- Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account

Instructions for implementing Festival Hydro's new rates and charges are set out in the final section of this Decision.

This Decision does not address rates and charges approved by the OEB in prior proceedings, such as specific service charges² and loss factors, which are out of the scope of an IRM proceeding and for which no further approvals are required to continue to include them on the distributor's Tariff of Rates and Charges.

² Certain service charges are subject to annual inflationary adjustments to be determined by the OEB through a generic order. For example, the Decision and Order EB-2022-0220, issued November 3, 2022 established the adjustment for energy retailer service charges, effective January 1, 2023; and the Decision and Order EB-2022-0221, issued November 3, 2022, established the 2023 Wireline Pole Attachment Charge, effective January 1, 2023.

4. ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM

Festival Hydro has applied to change its rates, effective January 1, 2023, based on a mechanistic rate adjustment using the OEB-approved **inflation minus X-factor** formula applicable to IRM applications. The adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable) uniformly across all customer classes.³

The components of the Annual IR adjustment formula applicable to Festival Hydro are set out in the table below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 3.10% increase to Festival Hydro's rates: **3.10% = 3.70% - (0.00% + 0.60%)**.

Table 4.1: Annual IR Adjustment Formula

Components		Amount
Inflation factor⁴		3.70%
Less: X-factor	Productivity factor ⁵	0.00%
	Stretch factor (0.00% to 0.60%) ⁶	0.60%

An inflation factor of 3.70% applies to all IRM applications for the 2023 rate year.

The X-factor is the sum of the productivity factor and the stretch factor. It is a productivity offset that varies among different groupings of distributors. Subtracting the X-factor from inflation ensures that rates decline in real, constant-dollar terms, providing distributors with a tangible incentive to improve efficiency or else experience declining net income. The productivity component of the X-factor is based on industry conditions over a historical study period and applies to all IRM applications for the 2023 rate year.

The stretch factor component of the X-factor is distributor specific. The OEB has established five stretch factor groupings, ranging from 0.00% to 0.60%. The stretch factor assigned to any distributor is based on the distributor's total cost performance as

³ The adjustment does not apply to the following components of delivery rates: rate riders, rate adders, low voltage service charges, retail transmission service rates, wholesale market service rate, smart metering entity charge, rural or remote electricity rate protection charge, standard supply service – administrative charge, transformation and primary metering allowances, loss factors, specific service charges, microFIT charge, and retail service charges.

⁴ OEB Letter, 2023 Inflation Parameters, issued October 20, 2022

⁵ Report of the Ontario Energy Board – “Rate Setting Parameters and Benchmarking under the Renewed Regulatory Framework for Ontario’s Electricity Distributors” EB-2010-0379, December 4, 2013

⁶ Report to the Ontario Energy Board – “Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2021 Benchmarking Update”, prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., July 2022

benchmarked against other distributors in Ontario. For Annual IR Index applications, the OEB applies a default stretch factor of 0.60%. Accordingly, the stretch factor assigned to Festival Hydro is 0.60%, resulting in a rate adjustment of 3.10%.

Findings

Festival Hydro's request for a 3.10% rate adjustment is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB. The adjustment is approved, and Festival Hydro's new rates shall be effective January 1, 2023.

5. RETAIL TRANSMISSION SERVICE RATES

Festival Hydro is partially embedded within Hydro One Networks Inc.'s distribution system.

To recover its cost of transmission services, Festival Hydro requests approval to adjust the retail transmission service rates (RTSRs) that it charges its customers in accordance with the Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs) and host distributor RTSRs currently in effect.

Findings

Festival Hydro's proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved. The RTSRs were adjusted based on the current OEB-approved UTRs and 2022 host-RTSRs.⁷

UTRs and host-RTSRs are typically approved annually by the OEB. In the event that new UTRs and host-RTSRs take effect during Festival Hydro's 2023 rate year, any resulting differences (from the prior-approved UTRs and host-RTSRs) are to be captured in Retail Settlement Variance Accounts 1584 (Retail Transmission Network Charge) and 1586 (Retail Transmission Connection Charge).

⁷ EB-2021-0032, Decision and Rate Order, December 14, 2021 & EB-2022-0084, Decision and Rate Order, April 7, 2022

6. GROUP 1 DEFERRAL AND VARIANCE ACCOUNTS

In each year of an IRM term, the OEB will review a distributor's Group 1 deferral and variance accounts to determine whether those balances should be disposed. OEB policy states that Group 1 account balances should be disposed if they exceed, on a net basis (as a debit or credit), a pre-set disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh, unless a distributor justifies why balances should not be disposed.⁸ If the net balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may still request disposition.⁹

The 2021 year-end net balance for Festival Hydro's Group 1 accounts eligible for disposition, excluding Account 1588 – RSVA Power and Account 1589 – RSVA Global Adjustment (GA) and including interest projected to December 31, 2022, is a debit of \$1,622,540 and pertains to variances accumulated during the 2021 calendar year. This amount represents a total claim of \$0.0027 per kWh, which exceeds the disposition threshold. Festival Hydro has requested the disposition of its Group 1 accounts over a one-year period.

In Festival Hydro's 2022 rate application, the OEB accepted Festival Hydro's proposal to defer the disposition of Accounts 1588 and 1589 due to an unusually large balance in Account 1588.¹⁰ The OEB further stated that it expected Festival Hydro to review the variances in the two accounts and bring forth the results of that review, including any necessary adjustments made, as part of its 2023 rates proceeding.¹¹

In the GA Analysis Workform of the current rate proceeding, Festival Hydro's Account 1588 2020 and 2021 balances exceed and equal to 1% of Cost of Power Account 4705 2020 and 2021 balances respectively.¹² Furthermore, the GA Analysis Workform shows that Account 1589 2020 and 2021 balances fail to meet the OEB's standard GA reasonability test for both years.¹³ On September 16, 2022, Festival Hydro filed a letter requesting to withdraw the disposition of the Account 1588 and 1589 balances in this application.¹⁴ In the letter, Festival Hydro stated that due to timing and staffing constraints, it will withdraw the request for disposition of the accounts in this proceeding,

⁸ Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR)." EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009

⁹ OEB letter, "Update to the Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review ("EDDVAR Report"), released July 2009 (EB-2008-0046)", issued July 25, 2014

¹⁰ EB-2021-0024 Decision and Rate Order, December 9, 2021

¹¹ Ibid.

¹² GA Analysis Workform, Tab "Account 1588"; The expectation is that Account 1588 balance of the year should be less than 1% of Account 4705 balance for the year.

¹³ Tabs "GA 2020" and "GA 2021" of the GA Analysis Workform

¹⁴ Account 1588 balance is considered large when it is above 1% of Account 4705 – Power Purchased, as provided in the GA Analysis Workform Account 1588 tab. The GA reasonability test is provided in the GA 2020 and GA 2021 tabs of the GA Analysis Workform.

will engage third party assistance, and will look for final disposition in its 2024 rate application¹⁵.

Included in the Group 1 accounts are certain variances related to costs that are paid for by a distributor's customers on different bases, depending on their classification. Namely, "Class A" customers, who participate in the Industrial Conservation Initiative, pay for GA charges based on their contribution to the five highest Ontario demand peaks over a 12-month period. "Class B" customers pay for GA charges based on their monthly consumption totals, either as a standalone charge or embedded in the Regulated Price Plan (RPP).¹⁶ A similar mechanism applies to Class A and Class B customers for Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) charges.¹⁷ The balance in the GA variance account is attributable to non-RPP Class B customers and is disposed through a separate rate rider. The balance in the CBR Class B variance account is attributable to all Class B customers.

Festival Hydro had Class A customers during the period in which variances accumulated so it has applied to have the balance of the CBR Class B variance account disposed through a separate rate rider for Class B customers to ensure proper allocation between Class A and Class B customers.

During the period in which variances accumulated, Festival Hydro had customers transition between Class A and Class B. Under the general principle of cost causality, customer groups that cause variances that are recorded in Group 1 accounts should be responsible for paying (or receiving credits) for their disposal. Festival Hydro has proposed to allocate a portion of the CBR Class B balances to its transition customers, based on their customer-specific consumption levels.¹⁸ The amounts allocated to each transition customer are proposed to be recovered (or refunded, as applicable), by way of 12 equal monthly installments.

Findings

The balances proposed for disposition reconcile with the amounts reported as part of the OEB's *Electricity Reporting and Record-Keeping Requirements*.

The OEB accepts Festival Hydro's proposal to defer the disposition of the Account 1588 and 1589 balances. Festival Hydro shall review the variances in those accounts and

¹⁵ Festival Hydro Letter, September 16, 2022, EB-2022-0032

¹⁶ For additional details on the Global Adjustment charge, refer to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)'s [website](#).

¹⁷ All Class B customers (RPP and non-RPP) pay the CBR as a separate charge based on their monthly consumption. For additional details on the CBR for Class A customers, refer to the IESO's [website](#).

¹⁸ 2023 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tab 6.1a "GA Allocation" and Tab 6.2a "CBR B_Allocation"

bring forth the results of that review, including any necessary adjustments made, as part of its 2024 rates proceeding.

The OEB approves the disposition of a debit balance of \$1,622,540 as of December 31, 2021, including interest projected to December 31, 2022, for Group 1 accounts (excluding Accounts 1588 and 1589) on a final basis.

Table 6.1 identifies the principal and interest amounts, which the OEB approves for disposition.

Table 6.1: Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance (\$) A	Interest Balance (\$) B	Total Claim (\$) C=A+B
LV Variance Account	1550	163,851	2,853	166,704
Smart Meter Entity Variance Charge	1551	(13,254)	(220)	(13,474)
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	482,869	8,554	491,423
Variance WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B	1580	(39,684)	(659)	(40,344)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	975,555	16,877	992,432
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	25,523	276	25,799
Total for Group 1 accounts		1,594,860	27,680	1,622,540

The balance of each of the Group 1 accounts approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595. Such transfer shall be pursuant to the requirements specified in the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*.¹⁹ The date of the transfer must be the same as the effective date for the associated rates, which is generally the start of the rate year.

¹⁹ Article 220, Account Descriptions, Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors, effective January 1, 2012

The OEB approves these balances to be disposed through final rate riders, charges, or payments, as calculated in the Rate Generator Model. The final rate riders, charges, and payments, as applicable, will be in effect over a one-year period from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.²⁰

²⁰ 2023 IRM Rate Generator Model Tab 6.1 GA, Tab 6.1a GA Allocation, Tab 6.2 CBR B, Tab 6.2a CBR B_Allocation and Tab 7 Calculation of Def-Var RR

7. LOST REVENUE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM VARIANCE ACCOUNT

The OEB has historically utilized a Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) to capture a distributor's revenue implications resulting from differences between actual and forecast conservation and demand management (CDM) savings included in its last OEB-approved load forecast. The use of the LRAMVA is no longer the default approach for CDM activities.²¹

Distributors delivered CDM programs to their customers through the Conservation First Framework (CFF) that began on January 1, 2015 until March 20, 2019, when the CFF was revoked.²²

Distributors filing an application for 2023 rates are required to seek disposition of all outstanding LRAMVA balances related to program savings for CFF programs or other conservation programs they delivered, unless they do not have complete information on eligible program savings.²³

Distributors are also eligible under the LRAM for persisting impacts of conservation programs until their next rebasing. The OEB provided direction for distributors to seek approval of LRAM-eligible amounts for 2023 onwards on a prospective basis, and a rate rider in the corresponding rate year, to address amounts that would otherwise be recorded in the LRAMVA for all years until their next rebasing application.²⁴

Festival Hydro has applied to dispose of its LRAMVA debit balance of \$482,467. The balance consists of lost revenues from 2021 to 2022 from CDM programs delivered during the period from 2013 to 2021 and carrying charges. The actual conservation savings claimed by Festival Hydro under the CFF were validated with reports from the IESO, project level savings files, or both.

Actual conservation savings were compared against Festival Hydro's forecasted conservation savings of 4,320,150 kWh included in its last OEB-approved load forecast.²⁵

²¹ Conservation and Demand Management Guidelines for Electricity Distributors, December 20, 2021, chapter 8.

²² On March 20, 2019 the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines issued separate Directives to the OEB and the IESO.

²³ Chapter 3 Filing Requirements, section 3.2.6.1

²⁴ [Guidance on Prospective Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism \(LRAM\) Amounts – 2023 Rates](#), June 16, 2022

²⁵ EB-2014-0073, Decision and Order, April 30, 2015

Festival Hydro applied for approval of LRAM-eligible amounts for the years 2023 to 2027 on a prospective basis, arising from persisting savings from completed CDM programs. Festival Hydro's application indicated that this would be accounted for in a true-up in its next cost of service filing. In an OEB staff question, OEB staff stated that [OEB guidance on prospective LRAM-eligible amounts](#) indicates that LRAM-eligible amounts for 2023 or later should be recovered (in the appropriate rate year) through a separate rate rider, and adjusted by the OEB-approved annual adjustment factor (inflation minus x-factor) applicable to IRM applications in effect for a given year. OEB staff also requested that Festival Hydro propose a 2023 LRAM-Eligible Amount Rate Rider to dispose of the 2023 prospective amount (updated with the inflation minus x-factor adjustment for 2023) and include it on Tab 18 of the IRM Rate Generator model.

Festival Hydro subsequently updated its evidence to propose a 2023 LRAM-Eligible rate rider to dispose of the 2023 prospective amount.²⁶

Findings

The OEB finds that Festival Hydro's LRAMVA balance has been calculated in accordance with the OEB's CDM-related guidelines and updated LRAMVA policy. The OEB approves the disposition of Festival Hydro's LRAMVA debit balance of \$482,467, as set out in Table 7.1 below.

Table 7.1 LRAMVA Balance for Disposition

Account Name	Account Number	Actual CDM Savings (\$) A	Forecasted CDM Savings (\$) B	Carrying Charges (\$) C	Total Claim (\$) D=(A-B)+C
LRAMVA	1568	540,522	59,876	1,820	482,467

The balance in the LRAMVA is now zero, and no further entries to the LRAMVA are permitted at this time. The LRAMVA will not be discontinued, in the event that Festival Hydro requests the use of the LRAMVA for a CDM activity in a future application, which the OEB will consider on a case-by-case basis.²⁷

The OEB also approves the LRAM-eligible amounts for the years 2023 to 2027, arising from persisting savings from completed CDM programs, as set out in Table 7.2 below.

²⁶ Response to OEB-staff, 2(b), November 11, 2022

²⁷ Conservation and Demand Management Guidelines for Electricity Distributors, December 20, 2021, p. 28.

These amounts will be adjusted mechanistically by the approved inflation minus X factor applicable to IRM applications in effect for a given year, and recovered through a rate rider in the corresponding rate year, beginning with the 2023 rate year. For the 2023 rate year, the OEB approves the requested LRAM-eligible amount of \$237,552,²⁸ to be recovered from customers, and the associated rate riders. Should Festival Hydro rebase in, or prior to, the last year in table 7.2, amounts shown in table 7.2 in the year of rebasing or later will not be recoverable, as any persisting impacts of CDM can be taken into consideration in setting new base rates.

Table 7.2 LRAM-Eligible Amounts for Prospective Disposition

Year	LRAM-Eligible Amount (in 2022 \$)
2023	\$230,409
2024	\$218,650
2025	\$198,876
2026	\$189,205
2027	\$175,097

²⁸ This amount is arrived at by applying the applicant's approved rate adjustment (3.10%) for the 2023 rate year to the applicant's approved 2023 LRAM-eligible amount calculated based on the rates in effect for 2022 (\$230,409).

8. IMPLEMENTATION

This Decision is accompanied by a Rate Generator Model, applicable supporting models, and a Tariff of Rates and Charges (Schedule A). The Rate Generator Model also incorporates the rates set out in Table 8.1.

Table 8.1: Regulatory Charges

Rate	per kWh
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP)	\$0.0005
Wholesale Market Service (WMS) billed to Class A and B Customers	\$0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) billed to Class B Customers	\$0.0004

Each of these rates is a component of the “Regulatory Charge” on a customer’s bill, established annually by the OEB through a separate, generic order. The RRRP and WMS rates were set by the OEB on December 16, 2021 and July 12, 2022.²⁹

The Smart Metering Entity Charge is a component of the “Distribution Charge” on a customer’s bill, established by the OEB through a separate order. The Smart Metering Entity Charge was set by the OEB at \$0.42 on September 8, 2022.³⁰

In the *Report of the Board: Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy*,³¹ the OEB indicated that it will review the default province-wide microFIT charge annually to ensure it continues to reflect actual costs in accordance with the established methodology. Distributors shall apply the updated value, if applicable, following the OEB’s announcement of the microFIT charge for the 2023 rate year.

²⁹ EB-2021-0300, Decision and Order, December 16, 2021 and EB-2021-0300, Supplemental Decision and Order, July 12, 2022

³⁰ EB-2022-0137, Decision and Order, September 8, 2022

³¹ EB-2010-0219, Report of the Board “Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy”, March 31, 2011

9. ORDER

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is approved effective January 1, 2023 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date. Festival Hydro Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, December 8, 2022

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi
Registrar

SCHEDULE A

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Festival Hydro Inc.
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This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously
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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

A customer is classed as residential when all the following conditions are met:

- (a) the property is zoned strictly residential by the local municipality,
- (b) the account is created and maintained in the customer's name,
- (c) the building is used for dwelling purposes.

Exceptions may be made for properties zoned for farming use, under the following conditions:

- (a) the principal use of the service is for the residence,
- (b) the service size is 200 amperes or less, and the service is 120/240 volt single phase.

Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale market participant.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	30.86
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2027	\$	0.42
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0027
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0096
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to a non residential account whose peak demand is less than 50 kW based on the process for and frequency for reclassification as outlined in Section 2.5 of the Distribution System Code. For a new customer without prior billing history, the kW peak demand will be estimated by Festival Hydro Inc. to determine the proper rate classification. Customers who are classed as General Service but consider themselves eligible to be classed as Residential must provide Festival Hydro Inc. with a copy of their tax assessment, which clearly demonstrates the zoning is for residential use only. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available the distributor's Conditions of Service.

APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale market participant.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	35.37
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2027	\$	0.42
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0175
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0025
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0028
Rate Rider for Prospective LRAMVA Disposition (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0011
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0084
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to a non residential account whose peak demand is equal to or greater than 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW based on the process for and frequency for reclassification as outlined in Section 2.5 of the Distribution System Code. For a new customer without prior billing history, the kW peak demand will be estimated by Festival Hydro Inc. to determine the proper rate classification. Class A and Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

No rates and charges for the distribution of electricity and charges to meet the costs of any work or service done or furnished for the purpose of the distribution of electricity shall be made except as permitted by this schedule, unless required by the Distributor's Licence or a Code or Order of the Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy Board, or as specified herein.

Unless specifically noted, this schedule does not contain any charges for the electricity commodity, be it under the Regulated Price Plan, a contract with a retailer or the wholesale market price, as applicable. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale market participant.

If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B is not applicable to wholesale market participants (WMP), customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new Class B customers.

If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of Global Adjustment is only applicable to non-RPP Class B customers. It is not applicable to WMP, customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new non-RPP Class B customers.

It should be noted that this schedule does not list any charges, assessments or credits that are required by law to be invoiced by a distributor and that are not subject to Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Global Adjustment and the HST.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	262.53
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.8343
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1365
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	(0.0453)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.3402
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Non-Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	0.3157
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.7591
Rate Rider for Prospective LRAMVA Disposition (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.1738
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.5964
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9328
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	3.8200
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.1189

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Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to non-residential accounts whose monthly peak demand is equal to or greater than 5,000 kW, based on the process for and frequency for reclassification as outlined in Section 2.5 of the Distribution System Code. For a new customer without prior billing history, the kW peak demand will be estimated by Festival Hydro Inc. to determine the proper rate classification. Class A and Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B is not applicable to wholesale market participants (WMP), customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new Class B customers.

If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of Global Adjustment is only applicable to non-RPP Class B customers. It is not applicable to WMP, customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new non-RPP Class B customers.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	12,556.67
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.3064
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1579
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	2.8333
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.0139
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Non-Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	0.5569
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.8672
Rate Rider for Prospective LRAMVA Disposition (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.0070
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	4.2295
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.4230

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW and the consumption is unmetered. Such connections include cable TV power packs, bus shelters, telephone booths, traffic lights, pedestrian cross-walk signals/beacons, railway crossings, etc. The level of the consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/ documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	9.28
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0096
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0028
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0084
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0047

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

APPLICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	2.57
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	13.6786
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0994
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	(0.0412)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	3.6336
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	1.0047
Rate Rider for Prospective LRAMVA Disposition (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	(0.1025)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.7262
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5256

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times the required lighting times established in the approved Ontario Energy Board street lighting load shape template. If connected to the municipal or the Province of Ontario street lighting system, decorative lighting and tree lighting services will be treated as a Street Lighting class of service. Decorative or tree lighting connected to Festival Hydro Inc.'s distribution system will be treated as a General Service Less Than 50 kW class customers. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per light)	\$	1.28
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.8233
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0974
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	(0.0445)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	(0.0130)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	1.0453
Rate Rider for Prospective LRAMVA Disposition (2023) - effective until December 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.0812
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.7122
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4942

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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microFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Independent Electricity System Operator’s microFIT program and connected to the distributor’s distribution system. Further servicing details are available in the distributor’s Conditions of Service.

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Service Charge \$ 4.55

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ALLOWANCES

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for Transformer Losses - applied to measured demand & energy	%	(1.00)

SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES**APPLICATION**

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Customer Administration

Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Income tax letter	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00

Non-Payment of Account

Late payment - per month (effective annual rate 19.56% per annum or 0.04896% compounded daily rate)	%	1.50
Reconnection at meter - during regular hours	\$	65.00
Reconnection at meter - after regular hours	\$	185.00
Reconnection at pole - during regular hours	\$	185.00
Reconnection at pole - after regular hours	\$	415.00

Other

Service call - customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call - after regular hours	\$	165.00
Temporary service install & remove - overhead - no transformer		Time & materials
Temporary service install & remove - underground - no transformer		Time & materials
Temporary service install & remove - overhead - with transformer		Time & materials
Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments)	\$	36.05

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RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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Retail Service Charges refer to services provided by a distributor to retailers or customers related to the supply of competitive electricity

One-time charge, per retailer, to establish the service agreement between the distributor and the retailer	\$	111.66
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	44.67
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$	1.11
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$	0.66
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$	(0.66)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.56
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.11
Request for customer information as outlined in Section 10.6.3 and Chapter 11 of the Retail Settlement Code directly to retailers and customers, if not delivered electronically through the Electronic Business Transaction (EBT) system, applied to the requesting party		
Up to twice a year	\$	no charge
More than twice a year, per request (plus incremental delivery costs)	\$	4.47
Notice of switch letter charge, per letter (unless the distributor has opted out of applying the charge as per the Ontario Energy Board's Decision and Order EB-2015-0304, issued on February 14, 2019)	\$	2.23

LOSS FACTORS

If the distributor is not capable of prorating changed loss factors jointly with distribution rates, the revised loss factors will be implemented upon the first subsequent billing for each billing cycle.

Total Loss Factor - Secondary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0291
Total Loss Factor - Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0176
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0188
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0075