**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, being Schedule B to the *Energy Competition Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Burlington Hydro Inc. to the Ontario Energy Board for an Order or Orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the distribution of electricity as of Jan 1, 2025, Board File No. EB-2024-0010.

I, Sally Blackwell, of the Town of Oakville, Province of Ontario

#### DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT

I am the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Burlington Hydro Inc. ("BHI"), and as such have knowledge of the matters herein deposed to:

- 1. I posted a copy of the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, on BHI's website by September 9, 2024. A screenshot of the relevant page of BHI's website is attached to this Affidavit as Schedule "A".
- I arranged for the service of the Notice, the application and the evidence, directly on all intervenors of record in BHI's previous rate application EB-2020-0007 by September 9, 2024. The service was effected by e-mail. A printout out of the electronic mails is attached to this Affidavit as Schedule "B".
- 3. A copy of the Notice is attached hereto as Schedule "C" to this Affidavit.

Sally Blackwell

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Sally Blackwell

Declared before me by Sally Blackwell by video conference at the City of Burlington in the Regional Municipality of Halton this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024, in accordance with O.Reg.421/20, "Administering Oath or Declaration Remotely."



# Distribution Rates and Charges

Burlington Hydro Inc.'s distribution rates and services are regulated by the Ontario Energy Board, an independent provincial government agency.

Burlington Hydro Inc. filed its <u>Distribution Rates Application</u> with the Ontario Energy Board on August 15, 2024 seeking approval to change the rates that Burlington Hydro charges for electricity distribution, effective January 1, 2025. The Ontario Energy Board assigned case number EB-2024-0010 to this application.

Please review the Ontario Energy Board's Notice of Hearing to learn more and to find out how you can participate.

For live versions of excel files and supporting evidence submitted as part of EB-2024-0010, refer to Burlington Hydro Inc.'s application on the Ontario Energy Board's website.

# Currently Approved Rates and Order

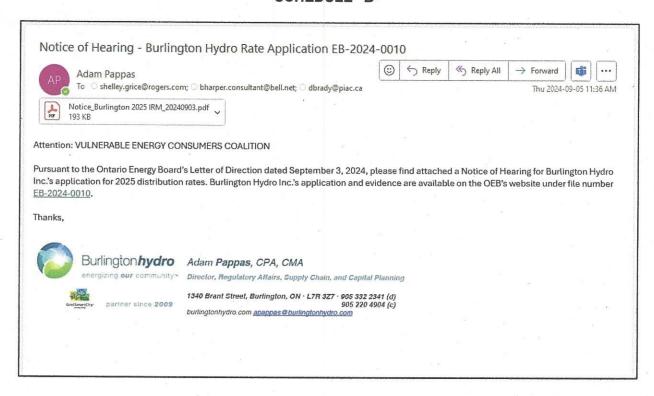
On December 14, 2023, the Ontario Energy Board approved Burlington Hydro's application to update its 2024 distribution rates. The new rates result in an increase to the total bill of 3.14% or \$4.33 per month for a typical residential customer with monthly consumption of 750 kWh.

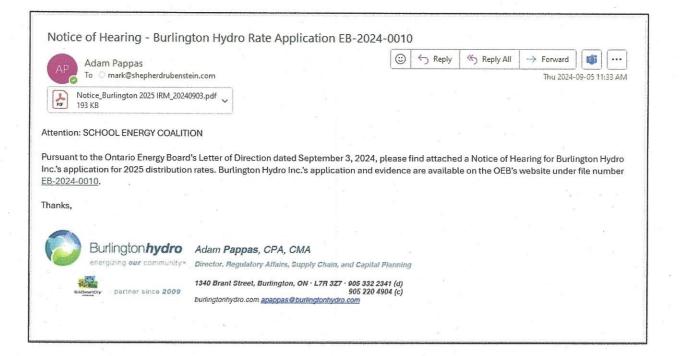
Burlington Hydro's current distribution rates approved by the OEB and effective January 1, 2024 can be found here: <u>Decision and Order – Effective January 1, 2024</u>

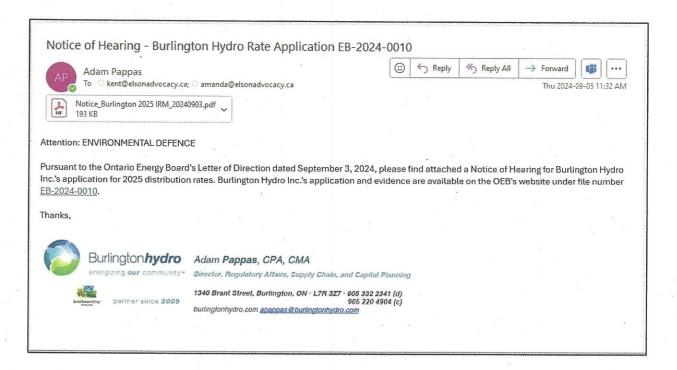
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## SCHEDULE "B"













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## SCHEDULE "C"



# NOTICE OF A RATE HEARING

Burlington Hydro Inc. has applied to increase its electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2025

The requested rate increases are set using an OEB-approved formula which is tied to inflation and other factors intended to promote efficiency. If the application is approved as filed, a typical residential customer and a typical general service customer of Burlington Hydro Inc. would see the following monthly bill increase:

Rate Class	January 2025
Residential 750 kWh	\$1.22 per month
General Service less than 50 kW	\$2.15 per month

Other customers, including businesses, will also be affected. It's important to review the application carefully to determine whether you may be affected by the proposed increases.

Burlington Hydro Inc. has also requested incremental capital funding for an externally driven and non-discretionary System Access project.

This hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998. Ce document est aussi disponible en français.



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#### YOU SHOULD KNOW

There are three types of OEB hearings: oral, electronic and written. The applicant has applied for, and the OEB plans to proceed with, a written hearing. If you think a different hearing type is needed, you can write to us to explain why.

During this hearing, we will hear questions and arguments from participants about this case. We will also hear questions and arguments from participants that have registered as Intervenors. After the hearing, we will decide whether to approve the application.

#### HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information about this application and to participate in the process. Visit www.oeb.ca/participate and use file number EB-2024-0010 to:

- Review the application
- File a letter with your comments
- Apply to become an intervenor

#### IMPORTANT DATES

You must engage with the OEB on or before September 18, 2024 to:

- Provide input on the hearing type (oral, electronic or written)
- Apply to be an intervenor

If you do not, the hearing will move forward without you, and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.

#### PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. If you are a business or if you apply to become an intervenor, all the information you file will be on the OEB website.

### LEARN MORE

Ontario Energy Board

- 1-877-632-2727 TTY: 1-877-632-2727
- Monday Friday 8:30 AM 5:00 PM
- ( oeb.ca/participate

Burlington Hydro Inc.

- (905) 332-1851
- Monday Friday 8:30 AM 5:00 PM
- cservice@burlingtonhydro.com

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