OEB Staff Questions
Oakville Hydro Distribution Inc.
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Staff Question-1
Ref. 1: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3, Continuity Schedule

Preamble:

On September 11, 2025, the OEB published the 2025 Quarter 4 prescribed accounting interest rates applicable to the carrying charges of deferral, variance and construction work in progress (CWIP) accounts of natural gas utilities, electricity distributors and other rate-regulated entities.

Question(s):

a) Please confirm that Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) reflects the Q4 2025 OEB-prescribed interest rate of 2.91%. If not, please update Tab 3, as necessary.

Response:

Oakville Hydro has updated Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) to reflect the Q4 2025 OEB-prescribed interest rate of 2.91% and filed an updated Rate Generator Model.

Staff Question-2
Ref. 1: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3, Continuity Schedule, Cell BD 29
Ref. 2: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab 3, GA 2024, Cell C75

Preamble:

The 2026 IRM Rate Generator Model contains a debit of $4,161,628 in Account 1589 (RSVA Global Adjustment). The 2026 Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform shows a net change in principal balance in the GL of $4,215,544.

Question(s):

a) Please provide an explanation for the discrepancy between the net change in principal balance of $4,215,544 on the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform (GA 2024) compared to the debit of $4,161,628 on the Rate Generator Model (Continuity Schedule). If required, please update the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform and/or Rate Generator Model as necessary.

Response:

Oakville Hydro inadvertently populated the net change in principal balance as $4,215,544 in the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform. Oakville Hydro has revised this to $4,161,628 and filed an updated Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform.

Staff Question-3
Ref. 1: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3, Continuity Schedule, Column BF
Ref. 2: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab 4, Principal Adjustments, Row 89

Preamble:

The Continuity Schedule for the year 2024 contains no principal adjustments in Column BF. However, the Principal Adjustments tab on the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform contains a credit of $1,192,375 in Account 1589 and a debit of $259,154 in Account 1588.

Question(s):

a) Please provide an explanation for the discrepancies found between the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform and the 2026 IRM Rate Generator Model.

Response:

Oakville Hydro inadvertently did not include the year-end principal adjustments in the year-end balances for 2023 (column AW) and 2024 (column BG). Oakville Hydro has made the appropriate revisions and filed an updated Rate Generator Model. The current year principal adjustments are now reflected appropriately as the variance in the RRR vs. 2024 Balance (column BW).

Oakville Hydro notes the total Group 1 balances eligible for disposition ($0.0008 per kWh) are now below the disposition threshold ($0.001 per kWh) with these adjustments included. While the total Group 1 balance is below the threshold, the Global Adjustment balance, and the Group 1 balances excluding Global Adjustment, are material and would result in non-negligible rate riders for all classes. Therefore, Oakville Hydro is requesting approval to dispose of the balance of its 2024 Group 1 deferral and variance accounts. The revised Group 1 account balances and rate riders are included in tables 1 to 3 below.

Table 1 - Group 1 Account Balances

Account	Account Number	Principal	Interest	Total
LV Variance Account	1550	$1,250,333	$93,477	$1,343,810
Smart Metering Entity Charge Variance Account	1551	$(201,737)	$(18,100)	$(219,836)
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	$(2,677,473)	$(218,448)	$(2,895,921)
Variance WMS – Sub-account CBR Class B	1580	$1,005,877	$41,677	$1,047,554
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	$(74,382)	$(3,116)	$(77,498)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	$(867,548)	$(36,699)	$(904,247)
RSVA - Power	1588	$(550,962)	$(46,442)	$(597,404)
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	$3,845,760	$317,051	$4,162,810
Disposition and Recovery/Refund of Regulatory Balances (2021)	1595	$1,913	$(2,176)	$(263)
Disposition and Recovery/Refund of Regulatory Balances (2022)	1595	$(479,265)	$(99,753)	$(579,019)
Total		**$1,252,516**	**$27,471**	**$1,279,986**

Table 2 – Group 1 Variance Account Rate Riders (Excluding Global Adjustment)

Rate Class	Unit	Deferral/Variance Account Rate Rider (Excl. Global Adjustment)	Deferral/Variance Account Rate Rider for Non-WMP	Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account for Class B Customers
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$(0.0025)	$0.0000	$0.0007
GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$(0.0023)	$0.0000	$0.0007
GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW	$(0.0422)	$(0.7523)	$0.2529
GENERAL SERVICE 1,000 KW AND GREATER SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW	$(1.0136)	$0.0000	$0.1309
UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$(0.0019)	$0.0000	$0.0007
SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW	$(0.0019)	$0.0000	$0.0007
STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW	$(0.0019)	$0.0000	$0.0007
EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW	$(0.0020)	$0.0000	$0.0007

Table 3 - Global Adjustment Rate Rider

Rate Class	Unit	Global Adjustment Rate Rider for Non-RPP Customers
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0069
GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0069
GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0069
GENERAL SERVICE 1,000 KW AND GREATER SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0069
UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0000
SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0070
STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0069
EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh	$0.0069

Staff Question-4
Ref. 1: Manager's Summary, Page 9
Ref. 2: Rate Generator Model, Tab 20, Final Tariff Schedule

Preamble:

In the Manager's Summary, Oakville Hydro states "All General Service 50 To 999 kW Service customers have been transitioned to interval meters, with a separate rate no longer required."

From the Final Tariff Schedule, it is stated that "There are two subcategories within this class, those being non-interval and interval metered accounts".

Question(s):

a) Has Oakville Hydro considered removing this statement from the Tariff Schedule considering all GS 50 to 999 kW customers now have interval meters? Please explain why or why not.

Response:

Oakville Hydro notes all customers in this class have been transitioned to interval meters and has removed the noted statement from the Final Tariff Schedule in the Rate Generator Model.

Staff Question-5

Question(s):

a) As applicable, please update the Rate Generator Model to reflect any updated rates/charges (e.g., 2026 Uniform Transmission Rates).

Response:

Oakville Hydro has updated the Rate Generator Model with the preliminary 2026 Uniform Transmission Rates issued on October 9, 2025. The proposed RTSR Connection and Network rates are included in tables 4 and 5 below.

Table 4 – RTSR Rates

	Current Rates		Proposed Rates	
Rate Classification	RTSR-Network	RSTR-Connection	RTSR-Network	RSTR-Connection
Residential Service	$0.0131	$0.0079	$0.0136	$0.0081
General Service Less Than 50 kW Service	$0.0119	$0.0074	$0.0123	$0.0076
General Service 50 To 999 kW Service - Interval Metered	$4.6512	$2.8320	$4.8146	$2.8927
General Service 50 To 999 kW Service - Interval Metered - EV Charging	$0.0000	$0.0000	$0.8185	$0.4918
General Service 1,000 kW And Greater Service	$4.6512	$2.8320	$4.8146	$2.8927
Unmetered Scattered Load Service	$0.0119	$0.0074	$0.0123	$0.0076
Sentinel Lighting Service	$0.9033	$0.5498	$0.9350	$0.5616
Street Lighting Service	$3.7586	$2.2887	$3.8907	$2.3378
Embedded Distributor Service	$4.6512	$2.8320	$4.8146	$2.8927

Table 5 – IESO and Hydro One Uniform Transmission Rates

IESO Uniform Transmission Rates	Unit	Current 2025 Rates	2026 Rate Generator Model	% Change
Network Service	kW	$6.3700	$6.4200	0.8%
Line Connection Service	kW	$1.0000	$1.0200	2.0%
Transformation Connection Service	kW	$3.3900	$3.4700	2.4%
Total	kW	$10.7600	$10.9100	1.4%
Hydro One Uniform Transmission Rates	**Unit**	**Current 2025 Rates**	**2026 Rate Generator Model**	**% Change**
Network Service	kW	$5.3280	$5.4282	1.9%
Line Connection Service	kW	$0.6882	$0.6896	0.2%
Transformation Connection Service	kW	$3.4894	$3.4965	0.2%
Total	kW	$9.5056	$9.6143	1.1%