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# **DECISION AND RATE ORDER**

## **EB-2025-0050**

### **CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.**

**Application for rates and other charges to be effective  
January 1, 2026**

**BEFORE:**        **Patrick Moran**  
                      Presiding Commissioner

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**December 18, 2025**

## 1. OVERVIEW

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is approving changes to the rates that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. charges to distribute electricity to its customers, effective January 1, 2026.

As a result of this Decision and Rate Order, there will be a monthly total bill increase of \$2.49 for a residential customer with a monthly consumption of 750 kWh. This change does not factor in applicable taxes or the Ontario Electricity Rebate.

## 2. CONTEXT AND PROCESS

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. filed its application on August 14, 2025 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and in accordance with [Chapter 3 \(Incentive Rate-Setting Applications\)](#) of the OEB's *Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications* (Filing Requirements). The application was based on the Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting (Price Cap IR) option, with a five-year term.

The Price Cap IR option involves the setting of rates through a cost of service application in the first year and mechanistic price cap adjustments which may be approved through IRM applications in each of the ensuing adjustment years.

The OEB follows a standardized and streamlined process for processing IRM applications filed under Price Cap IR. In each adjustment year of a Price Cap IR term, the OEB prepares a Rate Generator Model that includes, as a placeholder, information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements. The distributor then reviews, completes, and includes 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.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. serves approximately 30,920 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the Town of Fort Erie, City of Port Colborne and Town of Gananoque.

Notice of the application was issued on September 5, 2025. There were no intervenors.

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

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. responded to interrogatories and supplementary interrogatories from OEB staff. Final submissions on the application were filed by OEB staff and Canadian Niagara Power Inc.

### 3. DECISION OUTLINE

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

- Annual Adjustment Mechanism
- Retail Transmission Service Rates
- Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts
- National Grid Power Purchase
- Street Lighting Customer Class Bill Impact

Instructions for implementing Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s new rates and charges are set out in the final section of this Decision and Rate Order.

This Decision and Rate Order does not address rates and charges approved by the OEB in prior proceedings, such as specific service charges<sup>1</sup> 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.

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<sup>1</sup> Certain service charges are subject to annual inflationary adjustments to be determined by the OEB through a generic order. For example, the OEB's Decision and Order in EB-2025-0199, June 19, 2025, established the adjustment for energy retailer service charges, effective January 1, 2026; and the OEB's Decision and Order in EB-2025-0200, issued June 19, 2025, established the 2026 Wireline Pole Attachment Charge, effective January 1, 2026.

## 4. ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has applied to change its rates, effective January 1, 2026. The proposed rate change is 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.<sup>2</sup>

The components of the Price Cap adjustment formula applicable to Canadian Niagara Power Inc. are set out in the table below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 3.25% increase to Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s rates: **3.25% = 3.70% - (0.00% + 0.45%)**.

**Table 4.1: Price Cap IR Adjustment Formula**

Components		Amount
Inflation factor <sup>3</sup>		3.70%
Less: X-factor	Productivity factor <sup>4</sup>	0.00%
	Stretch factor (0.00% to 0.60%) <sup>5</sup>	0.45%

An inflation factor of 3.70% applies to all IRM applications for the 2026 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 2026 rate year. The stretch factor component of the X-factor is one of five stretch factor groupings established by the OEB, ranging from 0.00% to 0.60%. The stretch factor assigned to

<sup>2</sup> 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 (other than the Wireline Pole Attachment charge), and microFIT charge.

<sup>3</sup> OEB Letter, 2026 Inflation Parameters, issued June 11, 2025

<sup>4</sup> 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

<sup>5</sup> Report to the Ontario Energy Board – “Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2024 Benchmarking Update”, prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., August 18, 2025

any distributor is based on the distributor's total cost performance as benchmarked against other distributors in Ontario.

OEB staff submitted that it has no concerns with Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s proposed Price Cap adjustment.<sup>6</sup>

## **Findings**

Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s request for a 3.25% rate increase is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB. The adjustment is approved, and Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s new rates shall be effective January 1, 2026.

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<sup>6</sup> OEB Staff Submission, November 20, 2025, p. 1

## 5. RETAIL TRANSMISSION SERVICE RATES

In Ontario, some distributors are connected directly to a licensed transmitter, while others may be embedded, or partially embedded, within the distribution system of another licensed distributor. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. is partially embedded within Hydro One Networks Inc.'s (Hydro One) distribution system.

On October 9, 2025, the OEB announced preliminary Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs) effective January 1, 2026. The OEB also announced that an embedded distributor should update its Retail Transmission Service Rates (RTSRs) with Hydro One's proposed host-RTSRs.<sup>7</sup>

The OEB sets the UTRs based on the approved revenue requirements for multiple transmitters. Preliminary UTRs are based on those revenue requirements that have already been approved for 2026. Preliminary UTRs are also to be used for the setting of RTSRs to minimize the accumulation of variances in Retail Settlement Variance Accounts 1584 (Retail Transmission Network Charge) and 1586 (Retail Transmission Connection Charge). The cost consequences of any future adjustment to 2026 UTRs to reflect remaining approvals to a transmitter's revenue requirement will be tracked in these accounts and recovered over time.

To recover its cost of transmission services, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. requests approval to adjust the RTSRs that it charges its customers in accordance with the preliminary UTRs and host distributor RTSRs for Hydro One.

On March 31, 2025, the OEB issued a report on the design of a new Electric Vehicle Charging Rate (EVC Rate), *Electric Vehicle Charging Rate Overview – Final Report*. The EVC Rate reduces the RTSRs that participating electric vehicle charging stations pay. The report requires electricity distributors to begin offering the EVC Rate to eligible customers in 2026, once their OEB-approved 2026 distribution rates become effective.

OEB staff submitted that it has no concerns with Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s requested adjustment to its RTSRs.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> EB-2025-0232, OEB Letter "2026 Preliminary Uniform Transmission Rates and Hydro One Sub-Transmission Rates", issued October 9, 2025

<sup>8</sup> OEB Staff Submission, November 20, 2025, p. 1

## Findings

Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved.

The RTSRs have been adjusted based on the preliminary UTRs and proposed host-RTSRs for Hydro One.<sup>9</sup>

If final UTRs or final host-RTSRs differ from the preliminary UTRs or proposed host-RTSRs, the resulting differences will be captured in Retail Settlement Variance Accounts 1584 (Retail Transmission Network Charge) and 1586 (Retail Transmission Connection Charge).

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. shall provide eligible electric vehicle charging station customers with the option to elect to be charged the RTSRs on the basis of the EVC Rate.

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<sup>9</sup> EB-2025-0232, OEB Letter "2026 Preliminary Uniform Transmission Rates and Hydro One Sub-Transmission Rates", issued October 9, 2025



## 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 (DVAs) to determine whether those balances should be disposed of. OEB policy states that Group 1 account balances should be disposed of 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 can justify why balances should not be disposed of.<sup>10</sup> If the net balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may still request disposition.<sup>11</sup>

The 2024 year-end net balance for Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s Group 1 accounts eligible for disposition, including interest projected to December 31, 2025, is a credit of \$1,793,954, and pertains to variances accumulated during the 2024 calendar year (the disposition balances for Accounts 1588 and 1589 pertains to variances accumulated during the 2023 to 2024 period). This amount represents a total claim of a credit of \$0.0037 per kWh, which exceeds the pre-set disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh.

The OEB most recently approved the disposition of Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s Group 1 balances on a final basis, as of December 31, 2023, in its 2025 IRM application<sup>12</sup>, excluding Accounts 1588 and 1589. Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances were last approved on a final basis (as of December 31, 2022) in Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s 2024 IRM proceeding.<sup>13</sup>

In this proceeding, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. is requesting the final disposition of its December 31, 2024 Group 1 DVA balance and the interim disposition of its 2023 and 2024 balances in Accounts 1588 and 1589.<sup>14</sup>

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has requested disposition of this amount over a one-year period.

Included in the Group 1 accounts are certain variances related to costs that are paid for by a distributor's customers. Customers pay different costs, depending on their classification. "Class A" customers, who participate in the Industrial Conservation Initiative, pay for Global Adjustment (GA) charges based on their contribution to the five highest Ontario demand peaks over a one-year period. "Class B" customers pay for GA charges based on their monthly consumption, either as a standalone charge or

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<sup>10</sup> Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative" (EDDVAR), EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009

<sup>11</sup> OEB letter, "Update to the Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review ("EDDVAR Report"), released July 2009 (EB-2008-0046)", issued July 25, 2014

<sup>12</sup> EB-2024-0011, Decision and Rate Order, December 12, 2024, pp. 9-10

<sup>13</sup> EB-2023-0009, Decision and Rate Order, December 15, 2023, pp. 9-10

<sup>14</sup> Manager's Summary, September 3, 2025, Section 1.5.6, p. 18

embedded in the Regulated Price Plan (RPP).<sup>15</sup> A similar mechanism applies to Class A and Class B customers for Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) charges.<sup>16</sup> The balance in the GA variance account is attributable to non-RPP Class B customers and is disposed of through a separate rate rider. The balance in the CBR Class B variance account is attributable to all Class B customers.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. had one or more 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 of 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, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. had one or more 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 the debits (or receiving credits) for their disposal. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. has proposed to allocate a portion of the GA and CBR Class B balances to its transition customers, based on their customer-specific consumption levels.<sup>17</sup> The amounts allocated to each transition customer are proposed to be recovered/refunded by way of 12 equal monthly installments charges/payments.

In its submission, OEB staff supported Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s request for final disposition of its Group 1 balances, as of December 31, 2024, excluding Accounts 1588 and 1589. OEB staff also took no issue with the proposed interim disposition of the 2023 and 2024 balances for Accounts 1588 and 1589, noting that:<sup>18</sup>

1. The results for both the reasonability test of Account 1588 for 2023 and the unexplained discrepancies in Account 1589 for 2024 slightly exceeded the OEB's 1% threshold.
2. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. did not identify other material adjustments to the total credit balance (\$1.3 million) requested for disposition for Accounts 1588 and 1589.
3. Interim disposition allows Canadian Niagara Power Inc. to further review the account balances without compromising intergenerational equity.

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<sup>15</sup> For additional details on the Global Adjustment charge, refer to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)'s [website](#).

<sup>16</sup> 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](#).

<sup>17</sup> 2026 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tab 6.1a "GA Allocation" and Tab 6.2a "CBR B\_Allocation"

<sup>18</sup> OEB Staff Submission, November 20, 2025, p. 3

Although OEB staff took no issue with the interim disposition of Accounts 1588 and 1589, it recommended that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. conduct a detailed review of these accounts. Specifically, OEB staff submitted that Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s review should be centred on passing the 1% threshold and bringing the balances forward for final disposition in its 2027 rate application.<sup>19</sup>

In its reply submission, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. stated that it will continue to undertake a detailed review of Accounts 1588 and 1589 to address the OEB's 1% threshold. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. also submitted that it will aim to bring forward the final disposition of these balances in its 2027 rate application, consistent with OEB staff's recommendation.<sup>20</sup>

## 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 approves the disposition of a credit balance of \$1,793,954 as of December 31, 2024, including interest projected to December 31, 2025, for Group 1 accounts on final basis, except for Accounts 1588 and 1589.

The OEB also approves the interim disposition of balances in Accounts 1588 and 1589 for 2023 and 2024.

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 and Number		Principal Balance (\$) A	Interest Balance (\$) B	Total Claim (\$) C=A+B
LV Variance Account	1550	680	(439)	241
Smart Metering Entity Charge Variance Account	1551	(28,480)	(1,378)	(29,858)
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(201,021)	(1,656)	(212,677)
Variance WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B	1580	174,180	5,946	180,126

<sup>19</sup> OEB Staff Submission, November 20, 2025, p. 4

<sup>20</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Reply Submission, November 27, 2025

RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	(26,581)	(5,606)	(32,187)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	(315,369)	(18,535)	(333,904)
RSVA – Power	1588	(650,216)	17,318	(632,898)
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	(628,191)	(4,013)	(671,204)
Disposition and Recovery/(Refund) of Regulatory Balances (2022)	1595	(12,734)	(48,859)	(61,593)
<b>Total for Group 1 Accounts</b>		<b>(1,687,733)</b>	<b>(106,221)</b>	<b>(1,793,954)</b>

The balance of each of the Group 1 accounts approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595. Such transfer shall be pursuant to the requirements specified in the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*.<sup>21</sup> 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.

The OEB approves these balances to be disposed by rate riders, charges, or payments, as calculated in the Rate Generator Model. The rate riders, charges, and payments, as applicable, will be in effect over a one-year period from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.<sup>22</sup>

<sup>21</sup> Article 220, Account Descriptions, *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*, effective January 1, 2012

<sup>22</sup> 2026 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. NATIONAL GRID POWER PURCHASE

From August to September 2023, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. purchased power from National Grid (NG) through the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) and was supplied by the International Power Line (IPL). Canadian Niagara Power Inc. purchased power from NG to maintain its service to the Town of Fort Erie during a period of planned transmission system maintenance.<sup>23</sup> The *Electricity Act, 1988*, as amended on June 2, 2023, exempted out-of-province power purchases from GA charges effective July 1, 2023. As a result of this amendment, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. did not pay GA charges during the period it purchased power from NG.<sup>24</sup>

On January 30, 2025, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. submitted an application to the OEB requesting an amendment to its distribution license. Specifically, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. was requesting exemptions from section 3.2 of the OEB's *Retail Settlement Code* and section 2.2.2 of the *Standard Supply Service Code*, and sought approval for an Accounting Order outlining the treatment of the out-of-province power purchased from NG.<sup>25</sup>

The OEB approved Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s requests in its Decision and Order dated June 17, 2025 (June 2025 Decision).<sup>26</sup> Further, the OEB directed Canadian Niagara Power Inc. to:

1. Record all GA costs avoided as a split between Accounts 1588 and 1589 (using the same percentages of RPP and Non-RPP used to separate IESO CT 148)
2. Prorate the cost of power purchased from NG between RPP and Class B non-RPP customers, and to exclude power purchased from NG from IESO CT 142 RPP settlement calculations
3. Refund customers using a harmonized approach

The June 2025 Decision also approved, on a preliminary basis, Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s proposal for a harmonized disposition, subject to review when it seeks actual disposition of Accounts 1588 and 1589. The OEB also noted in the June 2025 Decision that the final decision on any disposition of any balances should be made when Canadian Niagara Power Inc. applies for disposition of such balances.

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<sup>23</sup> Manager's Summary, September 3, 2025, Section 1.2.1, pp. 8-9

<sup>24</sup> EB-2025-0081, Decision and Order, June 17, 2025, Section 4.2, pp. 6-7

<sup>25</sup> EB-2025-0081, Decision and Order, June 17, 2025, Section 4.1, p. 5

<sup>26</sup> EB-2025-0081, Decision and Order, June 17, 2025, Section 4, pp. 5-12

In this proceeding, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. states that it applied the guidelines from the June 2025 Decision and followed the approved Accounting Order, including the Excel illustrative commodity model approved by the OEB<sup>27</sup>, in calculating the GA costs avoided for the August to September 2023 period. The total GA costs avoided during this period are \$1,616,726.<sup>28</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Inc. states that these amounts are included in the Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances being requested for disposition in this proceeding. In addition, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. submitted an updated Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform that reflected the actual IESO-posted GA rate and recorded an adjustment relating to the NG power purchase.<sup>29</sup> It was also confirmed by Canadian Niagara Power Inc. that the total savings are passed on to customers across its entire service area, following the harmonized approach.<sup>30</sup>

In accordance with the June 2025 Decision directing Canadian Niagara Power Inc. to disclose in its annual distribution rate filing when IPL was utilized<sup>31</sup>, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. confirmed in this proceeding that it had used IPL to purchase power from NG from July 26, 2025 to September 15, 2025 to supply power to its customers in Fort Erie.<sup>32</sup>

In its submission, OEB staff noted that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. followed the Accounting Order from the June 2025 Decision and that the total GA avoided cost of \$1,616,726 was correctly calculated and properly reflected in the Account 1588 and 1589 balances. OEB staff submitted that it has no issue with the methodology used by Canadian Niagara Power Inc. in splitting and recording the GA avoided costs between RPP and Class B non-RPP customers and the use of the IESO invoice amount in the calculation of the GA effective rate. Further, OEB staff acknowledged that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. submitted an updated Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform reflecting the actual IESO-posted GA rate and the adjustment for the NG power purchase. Further, OEB staff accepted Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s proposal based on the harmonized rates approach across its entire service area.<sup>33</sup>

In its reply submission, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. agreed with OEB staff's acceptance of Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s proposals.<sup>34</sup>

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<sup>27</sup> Manager's Summary, September 3, 2025, Section 1.5.3, p. 16

<sup>28</sup> Staff-11 (e), October 17, 2025

<sup>29</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Supplemental, 2026 Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, November 7, 2025

<sup>30</sup> Staff-11, October 17, 2025

<sup>31</sup> EB-2025-0081, Decision and Order, June 17, 2025, p. 13

<sup>32</sup> Manager's Summary, September 3, 2015, Section 1.2.1, p. 9

<sup>33</sup> OEB Staff Submission, November 20, 2025, pp. 6-7

<sup>34</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Reply Submission, November 27, 2025

## Findings

The OEB has determined that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. followed the Accounting Order and used the Excel model based on the June 2025 Decision. The OEB finds that the GA avoided cost for power purchased from August to September 2023 was correctly calculated and reflected in Accounts 1588 and 1589, using the IESO invoice amount and the appropriate methodology to allocate and record GA avoided costs between its RPP and non-RPP customers. The OEB approves Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s harmonized proposal to pass on these savings to its customers across its entire service area.

Further, the OEB acknowledges that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. used the IPL to purchase power from July 26, 2025 to September 15, 2025 in compliance with the June 2025 Decision.

## 8. STREET LIGHTING CUSTOMER CLASS BILL IMPACT

Chapter 3 of the Filing Requirements states that distributors are required to file a mitigation plan if the total bill increase for any customer class exceeds 10%.<sup>35</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Inc. states that none of its customer classes exceeded the 10% threshold, except for the Street Lighting class.<sup>36</sup> The 27.17% increase for this class is the result of the expiry of a large credit rate rider in Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s 2025 rates.<sup>37</sup>

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. confirmed that it considered smoothing the increase, but raised concerns that this approach may cause greater complexity, negatively impact intergenerational equity, and result in future bill fluctuations. However, Canadian Niagara Power Inc. did note that if rate smoothing were to be required by the OEB, it would propose a new variance account to dispose of the balance at a later date.<sup>38</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Inc. also confirmed that it informed the affected customers regarding this potential increase and did not receive any comments from them.<sup>39</sup>

In its submission,<sup>40</sup> OEB staff acknowledged that smoothing the bill impact over multiple periods adds complexity to future proceedings and that the increase is due to the expiry of a large credit rider from 2025. OEB staff also submitted that it considers the increase to be acceptable, in the context of the specific circumstances that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. noted.

Canadian Niagara Power Inc. reiterated in its reply submission its request that rates for the Street Lighting customer class be approved as proposed without adjustments for rate mitigation.<sup>41</sup>

### Findings

The OEB approves the increase to Canadian Niagara Power's Street Lighting customers. The OEB accepts the submissions from OEB staff and Canadian Niagara Power Inc. that smoothing the impact over multiple periods would add unnecessary complexity to future proceedings. The OEB further acknowledges the actions that

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<sup>35</sup> Chapter 3 of the Filing Requirements, June 19, 2025, Section 3.2.3

<sup>36</sup> Manager's Summary, September 3, 2025, Section 1.11, p. 24

<sup>37</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>38</sup> Staff-3, October 17, 2025

<sup>39</sup> Streetlight Responses Update Letter, October 30, 2025

<sup>40</sup> OEB Staff Submission, November 20, 2025, p. 8

<sup>41</sup> Canadian Niagara Power Reply Submission, November 27, 2025



Canadian Niagara Power Inc. undertook to inform its affected customers in this rate class were reasonable.

## 9. IMPLEMENTATION

This Decision and Rate Order 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 following regulatory rates and charges set out in Table 9.1.

**Table 9.1: Regulatory Rates and Charges**

<b>Rates</b>	<b>per kWh (\$)</b>
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP)	0.0006
Wholesale Market Service (WMS) billed to Class A and B Customers	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) billed to Class B Customers	0.0006
<b>Charges</b>	<b>(\$)</b>
Smart Metering Entity Charge	0.42
microFIT Charge	5.00
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	0.25

Each of the rates is a component of the “Regulatory Charge” on a customer’s bill and established separately by the OEB. The RRRP, WMS and CBR rates were set by the OEB on December 11, 2025.<sup>42</sup>

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 on September 8, 2022.<sup>43</sup>

The Standard Supply Service Charge is a monthly fee set by the OEB that covers the administrative costs of an electricity distributor when a customer buys power directly from them under the RPP instead of a third-party energy retailer. This fixed charge is uniform across all utilities in the province and is in addition to the Wholesale Market Service charge.

<sup>42</sup> EB-2025-0299, Decision and Order, December 11, 2025

<sup>43</sup> EB-2022-0137, Decision and Order, September 8, 2022

In the *Report of the Board: Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy*,<sup>44</sup> 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. On November 27, 2025, the OEB issued a letter advising electricity distributors that the microFIT charge shall be \$5.00 for the duration of the 2026 rate year January 1 to December 31, 2026.<sup>45</sup>

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<sup>44</sup> EB-2010-0219, Report of the Board “Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy”, March 31, 2011

<sup>45</sup> OEB Letter, “Review of Fixed Monthly Charge for microFIT Generator Service Classification”, issued November 27, 2025

## 10. ORDER

### THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Canadian Niagara Power Inc.'s new final distribution rates shall be effective January 1, 2026, in accordance with this Decision and Rate Order.
2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out at Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is deemed draft until the following procedural steps have been complied with:
  - i. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. shall review the Tariff of Rates and Charges and shall file with the OEB a written confirmation of its completeness and accuracy, or provide a detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information, by December 22, 2025.
  - ii. The Tariff of Rates and Charges will be considered final if Canadian Niagara Power Inc. does not provide a submission to the OEB that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2.i
  - iii. If the OEB receives a submission from Canadian Niagara Power Inc. to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2.i, the OEB will consider the submission and issue a Final Rate Order.
3. Canadian Niagara Power Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Arlene Bernardo at [Arlene.Bernardo@oeb.ca](mailto:Arlene.Bernardo@oeb.ca) and OEB Counsel, James Sidlofsky at [James.Sidlofsky@oeb.ca](mailto:James.Sidlofsky@oeb.ca).

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**DATED** at Toronto, December 18, 2025

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Ritchie Murray  
Acting Registrar

**SCHEDULE A**  
**DECISION AND RATE ORDER**  
**CANADIAN NIAGARA POWER INC.**  
**TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES**  
**EB-2025-0050**  
**December 18, 2025**

# Canadian Niagara Power Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### Effective and Implementation Date January 1, 2026

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

The Residential Class (Regular) refers to a service taking electricity normally at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used for domestic and household purposes in a single family unit. A single family unit being a permanent structure located on a single parcel of land and approved by a civic authority as a dwelling and occupied for that purpose by a single customer. Residential rates are also applied to apartment buildings with 6 units or less that are bulk metered. Apartment buildings with more than 6 units that are bulk metered are deemed to be General Service. 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	\$	46.08
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2027	\$	0.42
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0061)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kWh	(0.0027)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0117
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0087

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
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 the supply of electrical energy to single commercial or industrial customer and whose average peak demand is (or is forecasted to be) less than 50 kW. Single commercial or industrial customers are interpreted as a structure or structures on a single parcel of land occupied by one customer. An apartment building with more than 6 units that is bulk metered and has an average peak demand less than 50 kW is deemed to be General Service less than 50 kW. The common area of a separately metered apartment building having a demand less than 50 kW is also deemed to be General Service less than 50 kW. 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	\$	38.83
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2027	\$	0.42
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0315
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0061)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kWh	(0.0026)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0100
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0076

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25



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## **GENERAL SERVICE 50 TO 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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### **APPLICATION**

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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	\$	194.73
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	9.1941
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1151
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0061)

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Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kW	(0.8295)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	0.1386
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	4.2243
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - EV CHARGING	\$/kW	0.7181
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	3.0987
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - EV CHARGING	\$/kW	0.5268

**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component**

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity distributor licensed by the Board, that is provided electricity by means of this distributor's facilities. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	700.69
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	10.5874
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1151
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0061)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kW	(0.9542)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	0.1646
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	4.2243
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	3.0987

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical service to a customer that is deemed to have a constant load over a billing period, normally with minimum electrical consumption and the consumption is unmetered. Energy consumption is based on connected wattage and calculated hours of use. Examples of unmetered scattered load are cable television amplifiers, billboards, area lighting. 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 account)	\$	61.23
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0332
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0061)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kWh	(0.0025)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0103
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0077

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## **STANDBY POWER SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

The Standby subclass charge is applied to a customer with load displacement facilities behind its meter but is dependent on Canadian Niagara Power Inc. to supply a minimum amount of electricity in the event the customer's own facilities are out of service. The minimum amount of supply that Canadian Niagara Power Inc. must supply is a contracted amount agreed upon between the customer and Canadian Niagara Power Inc. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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## **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - APPROVED ON AN INTERIM BASIS**

Standby Charge - for a month where standby power is not provided. The charge is applied to the contracted amount (e.g. nameplate rating of generation facility)

\$/kW

1.5104

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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per device)	\$	7.01
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	8.1011
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0939
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	0.1347
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kW	(0.8088)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.5999
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5287

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical service for roadway lighting. Energy consumption is based on connected wattage and calculated hours of use. Customers are usually a Municipality, Region or the Ministry of Transportation. 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 device)	\$	4.69
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	9.3574
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.0878
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0061)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026	\$/kW	(0.8351)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Capacity Based Recovery Account (2026) - effective until December 31, 2026 Applicable only for Class B Customers	\$/kW	0.1450
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.1267
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3643

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0006
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.

## **APPLICATION**

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## **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	5.00
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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**

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**Customer Administration**

Arrears certificate (credit reference)	\$	15.00
Statement of account	\$	15.00
Pulling post dated cheques	\$	15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Easement letter	\$	15.00
Income tax letter	\$	15.00
Notification charge	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
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

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**Other**

Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Service call - customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call - after regular hours	\$	165.00
Temporary service install & remove - overhead - no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service install & remove - underground - no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service install & remove - overhead - with transformer	\$	1,000.00
Specific charge for access to the power poles - per pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments)	\$	40.59

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## RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)

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.

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.

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	\$	125.72
Monthly fixed charge, per retailer	\$	50.29
Monthly variable charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	1.24
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.74
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.74)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.63
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.24
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)	\$	5.03
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)	\$	2.51

## 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	1.0524
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0419