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-- Name --
Manoj kamireddy

-- Do you reside in the impacted service area? --
Yes

-- Comments --
I am writing this letter of comment as a resident and ratepayer in London to formally register my strong objection to London Hydro's proposed distribution rate increases.
Utilities are not an optional luxury. Electricity is a basic necessity, and families across this city are already being pushed to their financial limit. Over the past couple of years, everyday expenses like groceries, housing, property taxes, and basic consumer goods have soared. At the same time, local households are dealing with persistent job insecurity, layoffs, and wages that fail to keep pace with the real cost of living.
London Hydro bills are already hefty. The fixed distribution charges and fees on our monthly statements take a massive bite out of take-home pay before we even factor in seasonal weather spikes. Adding another rate hike on top of this, regardless of whether London Hydro considers an extra few dollars a month modest, demonstrates a complete disconnect from what working families and people on fixed incomes are enduring right now. When every single monthly bill goes up by five, ten, or twenty dollars across the board, people are forced to make impossible choices between heating their homes and putting food on the table.
While London Hydro points to rising operational costs and future capital investments, ordinary residents do not have the luxury of passing their inflationary pressures onto anyone else. We have to tighten our belts, cut out non-essentials, and live within our means. London Hydro needs to do the exact same thing: find internal operational efficiencies, phase out non-critical spending, and absorb these costs rather than automatically treating ratepayers like an open chequebook.
I urge the Ontario Energy Board to hold London Hydro accountable to affordability and reject this rate hike. The Board's mandate is to protect consumers, and right now, London households need protection from relentless, compounding utility increases that we simply cannot afford

-- Was AI used for the letter of comment? --
Yes