



EB-2012-0015

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

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Thunder Bay  
Hydro Distribution Inc. for an order approving or fixing just  
and reasonable distribution rates related to Smart Meter  
deployment, to be effective May 1, 2012.

**BEFORE:** Ken Quesnelle  
Presiding Member

Marika Hare  
Member

## **FINAL RATE ORDER**

**July 5, 2012**

Thunder Bay Hydro Distribution Inc. ("TBDHI") a licensed electricity distributor, filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board"), received on January 13, 2012, under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that TBDHI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2012.

In its Decision and Order on the Application issued on June 21, 2012, the Board ordered TBDHI to file a draft Rate Order reflecting the Board's findings. TBDHI filed a draft Rate Order on June 21, 2012.

The Board has reviewed the information provided in support of the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges. The Board is satisfied that the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

**THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Order is final effective May 1, 2012, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after July 1, 2012. Thunder Bay Hydro Distribution Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, July 5, 2012

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

**Appendix A  
To Final Rate Order**

**Thunder Bay Hydro Distribution Inc.**

**Tariff of Rates and Charges**

**Board File No: EB-2012-0015**

**DATED: July 5, 2012**

# Thunder Bay Hydro Electricity Distribution Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

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### RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separately metered living accommodation. Customers shall be residing in single-dwelling units that consist of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, with a residential zoning. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartment building also qualify as residential customers. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	9.85
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2014	\$	(1.58)
Rate Rider for Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	2.24
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0124
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0034)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0003)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.00004
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0003)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0064
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0049

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	17.84
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until April 30, 2014	\$	4.19
Rate Rider for Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service-based rate order	\$	8.21
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0130
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0030)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0003)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	0.00020
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0046

#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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- General Service 50 to 1,000 kW non-interval metered
- General Service 50 to 1,000 kW interval metered.

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	241.78
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.3603
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.9127)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.1051)
Rate Rider for Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (LRAM) Recovery – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	0.00011
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0410)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4300
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7458
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.5777
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered	\$/kW	1.9295

#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

Updated July 5, 2012 for Smart Meter Decision EB-2012-0015

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## GENERAL SERVICE 1,000 to 4,999 kW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	2,794.55
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.2314
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.7755)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.0924)
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.0371)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5777
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9295

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	8.91
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0130
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0044)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0003)
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kWh	(0.0005)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0061
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0046

#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
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. 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)	\$	6.40
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	5.1350
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(2.4061)
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.4698)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8420
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3779

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting operation, controlled by photocells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated load times the required lighting times established in the approved OEB street lighting load shape template. 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)	\$	2.16
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	13.0610
Rate Rider for Deferral/Variance Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(1.5474)
Rate Rider for Global Adjustment Sub-Account Disposition (2012) – effective until April 30, 2013 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.1097)
Rate Rider for Tax Adjustments - effective until April 30, 2013	\$/kW	(0.2863)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8325
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3496

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0011
Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## **microFIT GENERATOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Ontario Power Authority'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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### **MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	5.25
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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 and energy	%	(1.00)

### SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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<b>Customer Administration</b>		
Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Statement of account	\$	15.00
Easement letter	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	25.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00
<b>Non-Payment of Account</b>		
Late Payment - per month	%	1.50
Late Payment - per annum	%	19.56
Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Meter – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Pole - during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect charge - At Pole - after regular hours	\$	415.00
Install/Remove load control device - during regular hours	\$	65.00
Install/Remove load control device - after regular hours	\$	185.00
Service call – customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles – per pole/year	\$	22.35

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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	\$	100.00
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	20.00
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.50
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.30
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.30)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.25
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.50
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)	\$	2.00

#### 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	1.0448
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0343