Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario



EB-2012-0108

**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 Brant County Power Inc. for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable distribution rates and other charges, to be effective May 1, 2013.

By Delegation, Before: Adrian Pye

DECISION AND ORDER April 4, 2013

## Introduction

Brant County Power Inc. ("BCP"), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on September 12, 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 BCP charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

BCP is one of 77 electricity distributors in Ontario regulated by the Board. The *Report of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* (the "IR Report"), issued on July 14, 2008, established a three year plan for 3<sup>rd</sup> generation incentive regulation mechanism ("IRM") (i.e., rebasing plus three years). In its October 27, 2010 letter regarding the development of a Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity ("RRFE"), the Board announced that it was extending the IRM plan until such time as the RRFE policy initiatives have been substantially completed. In a letter dated October 18, 2012, the Board stated its expectation that the three rate

setting methods set out in the *Report of the Board – Renewed Regulatory Framework for Electricity Distributors: A Performance-Based Approach* would be available for the 2014 rate year.

As part of the plan, BCP is one of the electricity distributors that will have its rates adjusted for 2013 on the basis of the IRM process, which provides for a mechanistic and formulaic adjustment to distribution rates and charges between cost of service applications.

To streamline the process for the approval of distribution rates and charges for distributors, the Board issued its IR Report, *Supplemental Report of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on September 17, 2008 (the "Supplemental Report"), and *Addendum to the Supplemental Report of the Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Regulation for Ontario's Electricity Distributors* on January 28, 2009 (collectively the "Reports"). Among other things, the Reports provide the relevant guidelines for 2013 rate adjustments for distributors applying for distribution rate adjustments pursuant to the IRM process. On June 28, 2012, the Board issued an update to Chapter 3 of the Board's *Filing Requirements for Transmission and Distribution Applications* (the "Filing Requirements"), which outlines the application filing requirements for IRM applications based on the policies in the Reports.

Notice of BCP's rate application was given through newspaper publication in BCP's service area advising interested parties where the rate application could be viewed and advising how they could intervene in the proceeding or comment on the application. The Notice of Application indicated that the Board did not intend to award costs in this proceeding as the applicant has only made proposals of a mechanistic nature within the Board's guidelines. No parties requested intervenor status for the application. No letters of comment were received. Board staff participated in the proceeding. The Board proceeded by way of a written hearing.

While the Board has considered the entire record in this proceeding, it has made reference only to such evidence as is necessary to provide context to its findings. The following issues are addressed in this Decision and Order:

- Price Cap Index Adjustment;
- Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge;
- MicroFIT Service Charge;

- Wholesale Market Service Rate;
- Smart Metering Entity Charge;
- Shared Tax Savings Adjustments;
- Retail Transmission Service Rates; and
- Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances.

## Price Cap Index Adjustment

As outlined in the Reports, distribution rates under the IRM are to be adjusted by a price escalator, less a productivity factor of 0.72% and a stretch factor.

On March 21, 2013, the Board announced a price escalator of 1.6% for those distributors under IRM that have a rate year commencing May 1, 2013.

The stretch factors are assigned to distributors based on the results of two benchmarking evaluations to divide the Ontario industry into three efficiency cohorts. In its letter to Licensed Electricity Distributors dated November 27, 2012 the Board assigned BCP to efficiency cohort 3, being the least efficient group, and a cohort specific stretch factor of 0.6%.

The Board therefore has determined, on that basis, the resulting price cap index adjustment is 0.28% (i.e. 1.6% - (0.72% + 0.60%)). The price cap index adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across customer classes.

The price cap index 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;
- Rural or Remote Rate Protection Charge;
- Standard Supply Service Administrative Charge;
- Transformation and Primary Metering Allowances;
- Loss Factors;

- Specific Service Charges;
- MicroFIT Service Charge; and
- Retail Service Charges.

# Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge

On March 21, 2013, the Board issued a Decision with Reasons and Rate Order (EB-2013-0067) establishing that the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection ("RRRP") used by rate regulated distributors to bill their customers shall be \$0.0012 per kilowatt hour effective May 1, 2013. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects this RRRP charge.

# MicroFIT Service Charge

On September 20, 2012, the Board issued a letter advising that the default provincewide fixed monthly charge for all electricity distributors related to the microFIT Generator Service Classification was to be updated to \$5.40 per month effective with the implementation of electricity distributors' 2013 rates applications. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects the new default microFIT service charge.

# Wholesale Market Service Rate

On March 21, 2013, the Board issued a Decision with Reasons and Rate Order (EB-2013-0067) establishing that the Wholesale Market Service rate ("WMS rate") used by rate regulated distributors to bill their customers shall be \$0.0044 per kilowatt hour effective May 1, 2013. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects this WMS rate.

# Smart Metering Entity Charge

On March 28, 2013, the Board issued a Decision and Order (EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211) establishing a Smart Metering Entity charge of \$0.79 per month for Residential and General Service < 50kW customers for those distributors identified in the Board's annual *Yearbook of Electricity Distributors*. This charge will be in effect from May 1,2013 to October 31, 2018. The draft Tariff of Rates and Charges flowing from this Decision and Order reflects this Smart Metering Entity charge.

## **Shared Tax Savings Adjustments**

In its Supplemental Report, the Board determined that a 50/50 sharing of the impact of currently known legislated tax changes, as applied to the tax level reflected in the Board-approved base rates for a distributor, is appropriate.

The calculated annual tax reduction will be allocated to customer rate classes on the basis of the Board-approved base-year distribution revenue. These amounts will be refunded to customers over a 12-month period, through a volumetric rate rider using annualized consumption by customer class underlying the Board-approved base rates.

BCP's application identified a total tax savings of \$14,731 resulting in a shared amount of \$7,365 to be refunded to rate payers. Board staff had no concerns with BCP's proposal.

I approve the disposition of the shared tax savings of \$7,365. Given that the resulting rate riders are immaterial, I order BCP to record the \$7,365 credit balance in account 1595 for disposition in a future rate hearing.

# Retail Transmission Service Rates ("RTSRs")

Electricity distributors are charged for transmission costs at the wholesale level and subsequently pass these charges on to their distribution customers through the RTSRs. Variance accounts are used to capture timing differences and differences in the rate that a distributor pays for wholesale transmission service compared to the retail rate that the distributor is authorized to charge when billing its customers (i.e. variance Accounts 1584 and 1586).

On June 22, 2012 the Board issued revision 3.0 of the *Guideline G-2008-0001 - Electricity Distribution Retail Transmission Service Rates* (the "RTSR Guideline"). The RTSR Guideline outlines the information that the Board requires electricity distributors to file to adjust their RTSRs for 2013. The RTSR Guideline requires electricity distributors to adjust their RTSRs based on a comparison of historical transmission costs adjusted for the new UTR levels and the revenues generated under existing RTSRs. Similarly, embedded distributors whose host is Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro Once") should adjust their RTSRs to reflect any changes in Hydro One's Sub-Transmission class RTSRs. The objective of resetting the rates is to minimize the

prospective balances in Accounts 1584 and 1586. In order to assist electricity distributors in the calculation of the distributors' specific RTSRs, Board staff provided a filing module.

BCP is a partially embedded distributor whose hosts are Hydro One and Brantford Power Inc.

On December 20, 2012 the Board issued its Rate Order for Hydro One Transmission (EB-2012-0031) which adjusted the UTRs effective January 1, 2013, as shown in the following table:

Network Service Rate	\$3.63 per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.75 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.85 per kW

## 2013 Uniform Transmission Rates

The Board also approved new rates for Hydro One Sub-Transmission class RTSRs effective January 1, 2013 (EB-2012-0136), as shown in the following table.

## 2013 Sub-Transmission RTSRs

Network Service Rate	\$3.18 per kW
Connection Service Rates	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.70 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.63 per kW

I find that these 2013 UTRs and Sub-transmission class RTSRs are to be incorporated into the filing module.

## **Review and Disposition of Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances**

The Report of the Board on Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Report Initiative (the "EDDVAR Report") provides that, during the IRM plan term, the distributor's Group 1 account balances will be reviewed and disposed if the preset disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh (debit or credit) is exceeded. The onus is on the distributor to justify why any account balance in excess of the threshold should not be disposed.

BCP's 2011 actual year-end total balance for Group 1 Accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2013 is a credit of \$940,356. This amount results in a total credit claim of \$0.0034 per kWh, which exceeds the preset disposition threshold. BCP proposed to dispose of this credit amount over a two-year period. In response to Board staff interrogatory #5, BCP stated that it requested the two-year period of disposition to balance customer rate swings and its cash flows.

In its submission, Board staff noted that while the principal balances approved by the Board for disposition it BCP's 2011 cost of service application reconciled with the values provided in the "Adjustments during 2010" columns of the continuity schedule filed with the application, the carrying charges shown in the "Board Approved Disposition for 2011" column for account 1588 did not. This results in an additional adjustment to the 2011 carrying charge balances in account 1588 beyond the transactions identified for new balances incurred in 2011. The inconsistencies are shown in the table below.

Account Name	IRM Rate Generator Continuity Schedule Column Label		
	Adjustments During 2011	Board Approved	
	- other	Disposition during 2011	
Account 1588 – Excluding	\$ (25,580)	\$ (65,562)	
Global Adjustment			
Account 1588 – Global	\$ 38,028	\$ 84,603	
Adjustment Sub-Account			

Board staff also noted the December 31, 2011 closing balance of account 1586, shown in the continuity schedule did not reconcile with the value provided by BCP in its 4<sup>th</sup> quarter *Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements* ("RRR") filing. Board staff submitted that BCP should address those inconsistencies in its reply submission and that BCP re-file a continuity schedule that reconciles these inconsistencies.

Regarding BCP's proposed two-year recovery period, Board staff submitted that the Board should strike a balance between reducing intergenerational inequity and mitigating rate volatility. Board staff stated that it did not believe that the 4.2% decrease in the total bill for the residential class, indicated by BCP in response to Board staff Interrogatory #5, was sufficiently large to cause concern over rate volatility and submitted that a one year period of disposition would be appropriate.

Other than the exceptions noted, Board staff stated that BCP's Group 1 DVA balances as of December 31, 2011 reconcile with the balances reported as part of the RRR. Subject to BCP's submission regarding the noted inconsistencies, Board staff took no issue with BCP's proposal to refund the amounts to customers through a variable rate rider as the preset disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh was exceeded. Additionally, Board staff took no issue with BCP's method of allocation the Group 1 DVA amounts to each class based on kWh.

In its reply submission, BCP stated that it had investigated the discrepancy regarding the carrying charges for balances in account 1588 approved for disposition in BCP's last cost of service application and that it was unable to replicate the balances shown in the Board approved settlement agreement. BCP stated that the continuity schedule filed with the application is accurate and reflects the Board's treatment of these accounts. BCP also noted that the combined total of the interest in the two accounts does reconcile to the same total and that the inconsistency was primarily an issue of allocation. BCP noted a transposition error for balances in account 1586 and provided an updated continuity schedule reconciling the differences noted by Board staff.

BCP confirmed its position that the original requested timeframe of a 2 year period of disposition is appropriate. BCP submitted that if a 2-year period is permissible and appropriate to collect outstanding balances from customers then this same period is appropriate to remit any balances owing to customers. This would allow for the netting out of deferral accounts that would smooth customer impacts and balance the cash position of the distributor.

Regarding the inconsistency in the carrying charges for balances in account 1588, as of December 30, 2010, shown in the continuity schedule, I accept BCP's rationale that the inconsistency is primarily an issue of allocation. As the combined total of carrying charges in account 1588 reconciles to the same amount and the overall amount of the discrepancy in the allocation of the carrying charges is below the materiality threshold (\$40,644) amount, I accept BCP's Group 1 DVA balances, as shown in the updated continuity schedule filed with BCP's reply submission.

I approve, on a final basis, the disposition of a credit balance of \$940,356 as of December 31, 2011, including interest as of April 30, 2013 for Group 1 accounts. These balances are to be disposed over a one year period from May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014. The table below identifies the principal and interest amounts approved for disposition for Group 1 Accounts.

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance A	Interest Balance B	Total Claim C = A + B
LV Variance Account	1550	-\$250,970	-\$5,542	-\$256,512
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	-\$344,784	-\$9,203	-\$353,988
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	-\$185,106	-\$4,267	-\$189,373
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	-\$206,280	-\$5,105	-\$211,385
RSVA - Power (excluding Global Adjustment)	1588	-\$648,045	\$25,956	-\$622,089
RSVA - Power – Global Adjustment Sub- Account	1588	\$718,580	-\$25,590	\$692,990
Total Group 1 Excluding Global Adjustment Sub-Account				-\$1,633,346
Total Group 1				-\$940,356

For accounting and reporting purposes, the respective balance of each Group 1 account approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595 pursuant to the requirements specified in Article 220, Account Descriptions, of the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*. The date of the journal entry to transfer the approved account balances to the sub-accounts of Account 1595 is the date on which disposition of the balances is effective in rates, which generally is the start of the rate year. This entry should be completed on a timely basis to ensure that these adjustments are included in the reporting period ending June 30, 2013 (Quarter 2).

# Rate Model

With this Decision, the Board is providing BCP with a rate model (spreadsheet) and applicable supporting models and a draft Tariff of Rates and Charges (Appendix A) that reflects the elements of this Decision. The Board has reviewed the entries in the rate model to ensure that they are in accordance with the 2012 Board approved Tariff of Rates and Charges and the rate model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies.

## THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. BCP's new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2013.
- 2. BCP shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. BCP shall file with the Board a written confirmation assessing the completeness and accuracy of the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges, or provide a detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information within **7 days** of the date of issuance of this Decision and Order.
- 3. If the Board does not receive a submission from BCP to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2 of this Decision and Order, the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A of this Decision and Order will become final effective May 1, 2013, and will apply to electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after May 1, 2013. BCP shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.
- 4. If the Board receives a submission from BCP to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2 of this Decision and Order, the Board will consider the submission of BCP and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.
- 5. BCP shall pay the Board's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the Board's invoice.

All filings to the Board must quote file number **EB-2012-0108**, be made through the Board's web portal at, <u>https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice//</u> and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <u>www.ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their document to <u>BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca</u>. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 2 paper copies.

## DATED at Toronto, April 4, 2013 ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Appendix A

To Decision and Order Draft Tariff of Rates and Charges Board File No: EB-2012-0108 DATED: April 4, 2013

## Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2013

This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors

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# **RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separate 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. All customers are single-phase. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the 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 Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the 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. In addition, the charges in the MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Regulatory Component of this schedule do not apply to a customer that is an embedded wholesale market participant.

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 Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

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

Service Charge	\$	11.10
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement - in effect until the effective		
date of the next cost of service application	\$	1.75
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until November 31, 2013	\$	2.43
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0209
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0024
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0059)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0042
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0011)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0038
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## **GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to a non residential account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose average monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW. Further serviciing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### APPLICATION

The application of these rates and charges shall be in accordance with the Licence of the Distributor and any Code or Order of the Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Board, which may be applicable to the administration of this schedule.

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

Service Charge	\$	17.17
Rate Rider for Recovery of Smart Meter Incremental Revenue Requirement – in effect until the effective date of the next cost of service application	\$	4.33
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until November 31, 2013	\$	4.26
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0178
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0024
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0059)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0042
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0055
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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

This classification applies to a non residential account whose average monthly maximum demand used for billing purposes is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. Note that for the applcation of the Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate and the Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate th the following sub-classifications apply:

- General Service 50 to 1.000 non-interval metered
- General Service 50 to 1,000 interval metered
- General Service > 1,000 to 5,000 kW interval metered

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	\$	95.92
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.8869
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1222
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(2.2751)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	1.6295
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.1407)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1890
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3815
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered (less than 1,000 kW)	\$/kW	2.3221
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered < 1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.5267
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered > 1,000 kW	\$/kW	2.3248
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered > 1,000 kW	\$/kW	1.5144

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose aveage monthly maximum demand is less than, or is forecast to be less than, 50 kW and the consumption is unmetered. Such connections include cable TV power packs, bus shelters, telephone booths, traffic lights, railway crossings, etc. The level of the consumption will be agreed to by the distributor and teh customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

#### APPLICATION

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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 Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment, the Ontario Clean Energy Benefit and the HST.

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

		2.02
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0230
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0024
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0059)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	0.0042
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0008)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0055
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to safety/security lighting with a Residential, General Service or Large Use customer. This is typically exterior lighting, and unmetered. Consumption is estimated based on the equiment rating and estimated hours of use. 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 connection)	\$	2.02
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	30.1709
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.7192
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(2.2713)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	1.6268
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.3135)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6137
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.1163
MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component		

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an account for roadway lighting with a Municipality, Regional Municipality, Ministry of Transportation and private roadway lighting, controlled by photo cells. The consumption for these customers will be based on the calculated connected load times that 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.

#### APPLICATION

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

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	1.51
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	44.4033
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.8406
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(2.1625)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) - effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	1.5489
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.8146)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.6511
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0678

Wholesale Market Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0044
Rural Rate Protection Charge	\$/kWh	0.0012
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## microFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contraced 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.

#### APPLICATION

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

Service Charge

5.40

\$

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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

#### APPLICATION

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#### **Customer Administration**

Arrears certificate	\$	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 – General Service)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	15.00
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
Non-Payment of Account		
Late Payment – per month	%	1.50
Late Payment – per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Collection of account charge – no disconnection – after regular hours	\$	165.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at meter – during regular hours	\$	65.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At Meter – After Hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge – At Pole – After Hours	\$	415.00
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
Rural system expansion / line connection fee	\$	500.00
Specific Charge for Access to the Power Poles - \$/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	1.0495
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0173
Distribution Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0390
Distribution Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	1.0072