



**EB-2012-0150**

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

**BEFORE:** Marika Hare  
Presiding Member

**DECISION AND ORDER**  
**April 4, 2013**

**Introduction**

Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc. (“NPEI”), a licensed distributor of electricity, filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) on October 5, 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 NPEI charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

NPEI 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, NPEI 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. NPEI also sought approval for revenue-to-cost ratios adjustments.

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 NPEI's rate application was given through newspaper publication in NPEI'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. No letters of comment were received. The Notice of Application indicated that intervenors could be eligible for cost awards with respect to NPEI's proposed revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments. The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") applied and was granted intervenor status in this proceeding. The Board granted VECC eligibility for cost awards in regards to NPEI's request for revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments. Board staff also 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;
- Wholesale Market Service Rate;
- Smart Metering Entity Charge;
- MicroFIT Service Charge;
- Revenue-to-Cost Ratio Adjustments;
- 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 28, 2012 the Board assigned NPEI to efficiency cohort 2, being the middle group, and a resulting cohort specific stretch factor of 0.4%.

The Board therefore has determined, on that basis, that the resulting price cap index adjustment is 0.48% (i.e.  $1.60\% - (0.72\% + 0.40\%)$ ). 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.

### **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 Less Than 50 kW 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.

### **MicroFIT Service Charge**

On September 20, 2012, the Board issued a letter advising that the default province-wide 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.

### Revenue-to-Cost Ratio Adjustments

Revenue-to-cost ratios measure the relationship between the revenues expected from a class of customers and the level of costs allocated to that class. The Board has established target ratio ranges (the “Target Ranges”) for Ontario electricity distributors in its report *Application of Cost Allocation for Electricity Distributors*, dated November 28, 2007 and in its updated report *Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy*, dated March 31, 2011.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement Proposal approved by the Board in the NPEI’s 2011 cost of service application (EB-2010-0138), NPEI proposed to increase the revenue-to-cost ratio for the Sentinel Lighting and Street Lighting customer rate classes.

The additional revenues from these adjustments would be used to reduce the revenue-to-cost ratio for the General Service 50 to 4,999 kW customer rate class.

The table below outlines the proposed revenue-to-cost ratios.

**Table 1: Current and Proposed Revenue-to-Cost Ratios**

Rate Class	Current 2012 Ratio	Proposed 2013 Ratio
Residential	85.00	85.00
General Service Less Than 50 kW	109.10	109.10
General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	147.01	146.02
Street Lighting	58.90	70.00
Sentinel Lighting	54.10	70.00
Unmetered Scattered Load	101.50	101.50

VECC and Board staff submitted that the proposed revenue-to-cost ratio adjustments

were in accordance with the Board's decision in NPEI's 2011 cost of service proceeding.

The Board agrees that the proposed revenue-to-cost ratios are consistent with the decision arising from the 2011 cost of service proceeding and therefore approves the revenue-to-cost ratios as filed.

### **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.

NPEI's application identified a total tax savings of \$141,957 resulting in a shared amount of \$70,978 to be refunded to rate payers.

The Board approves the disposition of the shared tax savings of \$70,978 over a one year period (i.e. May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014) and the associated rate riders for all customer rate classes.

### **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 Ontario Uniform Transmission Rates (“UTRs”) levels and the revenues generated under existing RTSRs. Similarly, embedded distributors whose host is Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”) 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.

NPEI is a partially embedded distributor whose host is Hydro One.

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:

**Table 2: 2013 Uniform Transmission Rates**

Network Service Rate	\$3.63 per kW
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.75 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.85 per kW

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.

**Table 3: 2013 Sub-Transmission RTSRs**

Network Service Rate	\$3.18 per kW
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.70 per kW
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.63 per kW

The Board finds 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.

NPEI's 2011 actual year-end total balance for Group 1 Accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2013 is a credit of \$403,228. This amount results in a total credit claim of \$0.0003 per kWh, which does not exceed the preset disposition threshold.

In its submission, Board staff noted that the principal amounts to be disposed as of December 31, 2011 reconcile with the amounts reported as part of the *Reporting and Record-keeping Requirements*.

The Board therefore finds that no disposition is required at this time.

### **Rate Model**

With this Decision, the Board is providing NPEI 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. NPEI's new distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2013.
2. NPEI shall review the draft Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Appendix A. NPEI 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 NPEI 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. NPEI 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 NPEI 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 NPEI and will issue a final Tariff of Rates and Charges.

### Cost Awards

The Board will issue a separate decision on cost awards once the following steps are completed:

1. VECC shall submit their cost claims no later than **7 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
2. NPEI shall file with the Board and forward to VECC any objections to the claimed costs within **21 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
3. VECC shall file with the Board and forward to NPEI any responses to any objections for cost claims within **28 days** from the date of issuance of the final Rate Order.
4. NPEI 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-2012-0150**, be made through the Board's web portal at, <https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/> 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 [www.ontarioenergyboard.ca](http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca). If the web portal is not available parties may email their document to [BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca](mailto:BoardSec@ontarioenergyboard.ca). 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-2012-0150**  
**DATED: April 4, 2013**

# Niagara Peninsula Energy Inc.

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

### 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

### Niagara Falls Hydro Inc. Service Area

This class pertains to customers residing in detached, semi-detached or duplex dwelling units, where energy is supplied single-phase, 3 wire, 60 hertz, having a nominal voltage of 120/240 volts. Large residential services will include all services from 201 amp. up to and including 400 amp., 120/240 volt, single phase, three wire. 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.

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	15.84
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0159
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0005
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0011)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0005)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0034)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0068
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0045

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

Service Charge	\$	37.27
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0136
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0011)
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Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
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**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	177.10
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.1815
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1592
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3734)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.1840)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.4497)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0124)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5508
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5766

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**MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component**

Service Charge	\$	177.10
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.1815
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1592
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3734)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.1840)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.1365
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0124)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5508
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5766

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

Service Charge	\$	19.26
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0135
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0011)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0005)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0075)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - (less than 1,000 kW)	\$/kWh	0.0040

#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

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Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	0.0006
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0001)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - (less than 1,000 kW)	\$/kWh	0.0040

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## SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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#### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	12.69
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	15.8336
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1330
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.3913)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.1928)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(1.3281)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.2235)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8886
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3174

#### 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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Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	0.2308
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.2235)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8886
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3174

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

Service Charge	\$	1.13
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	4.4040
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.1223
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.4015)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2012) – effective until April 30, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.1979)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferred PILs Variance Account 1562 - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.4229)
Rate Rider for Application of Tax Change - effective until April 30, 2014	\$/kW	(0.0255)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9284
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2113

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

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Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.2113

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**microFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

**Niagara Falls Hydro Inc. Service Area and Peninsula West Utilities Limited  
 Service Area**

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	\$	5.40
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## ALLOWANCES

### Niagara Falls Hydro Inc. Service Area and Peninsula West Utilities Limited Service Area

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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#### Customer Administration

Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	20.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	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 month	%	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 at meter – after regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$	185.00
Disconnect/Reconnect 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
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 - \$/pole/year	\$	22.35

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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

### Niagara Falls Hydro Inc. Service Area and Peninsula West Utilities Limited Service Area

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	1.0560
Total Loss Factor – Secondary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0454
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer > 5,000 kW	N/A