



EB-2012-0165

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 Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2013.

BEFORE: Paula Conboy
Presiding Member

Allison Duff
Member

FINAL RATE ORDER September 12, 2013

Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. ("SLHI") filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board on February 22, 2013 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, seeking approval for changes to the rates that SLHI charges for electricity distribution, effective May 1, 2013. The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing on March 7, 2013.

The Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") and an individual, Mr. Douglas Shields, applied for and were granted intervenor status. VECC was also granted cost award eligibility. The hearing process included interrogatories, supplemental interrogatories, and written submissions. Mr. Shields filed a submission on May 29, 2013. Board staff and VECC filed submissions on June 28, 2013. SLHI filed its reply submission on July 5, 2013.

The Board issued its Decision and Order ("Decision") on the application on August 22, 2013. In its Decision, the Board made various determinations that affected the revenue

requirement and the rates and rate riders to recover the approved revenue requirement and deferral and variance account balances approved for disposition. The Board also made provision for the inclusion in SLHI's Tariff of Rates and Charges incorporating certain revisions to the Rural and Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge, the Wholesale Market Service Rate, and the Smart Meter Entity Charge.

The Board directed that SLHI submit a Draft Rate Order ("DRO") within ten days of the issuance of the Decision. The Board made provisions for Board staff and VECC to file comments on the DRO within seven days from filing, and allowed SLHI four days to file a response.

On August 30, 2013, SLHI filed its DRO. On September 6, 2013, Board staff filed its submission related to the DRO noting a matter related to revenue-to-cost ratios and the format of the Tariff of Rates and Charges.

On September 9, 2013, SLHI filed a revised DRO, addressing Board staff's concerns.

The Board is satisfied that the Tariff of Rates and Charges, attached as Appendix "A", accurately reflects the Board's Decision.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

The Tariff of Rates and Charges for Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. set out in Appendix "A" of this Rate Order is approved effective September 1, 2013 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after September 1, 2013 as outlined in the Rate Order and is to be implemented on September 1, 2013. Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc. shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than with the first bill reflecting the new rates.

DATED at Toronto, September 12, 2013

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

**Appendix "A" TO
FINAL RATE ORDER
Sioux Lookout Hydro Inc.
2013 Electricity Distribution Rates
EB-2012-0165
September 12, 2013**

Sioux Lookout Hydro Incorporated

TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

Effective and Implementation Date September 1, 2013

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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.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	26.28
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until August 31, 2014	\$	2.42
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until August 31, 2015	\$	2.80
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0113
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0037
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0030)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0033)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0065
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0015

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

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	40.99
Rate Rider for Disposition of Residual Historical Smart Meter Costs – effective until August 31, 2014	\$	3.09
Rate Rider for Recovery of Stranded Meter Assets – effective until August 31, 2015	\$	2.83
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge – effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0078
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0031
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0030)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0012

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 application of the Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate and the Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate the following sub-classifications apply:

- General Service 50 to 1,000 kW non-interval metered
- General Service 50 to 1,000 kW interval metered
- General Service >1,000 to 4,999 kW interval metered.

Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	375.40
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.3077
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3088
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014		
Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(1.1747)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kW	(1.4209)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.3598
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5128
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	2.5034
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate – Interval Metered >1,000 kW	\$/kW	0.5667

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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UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES – Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	21.68
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0084
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0031
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kWh	(0.0029)
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0012

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 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)	\$	9.23
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	24.3448
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0120
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Sub-Account (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kW	(0.9830)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2013) – effective until August 31, 2014	\$/kW	0.2840
Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.7797
Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	0.3965

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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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	\$	5.40
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ALLOWANCES

Transformer Allowance for Ownership - per kW of billing demand/month	\$/kW	(0.3741)
Primary Metering Allowance for transformer losses – applied to measured demand and energy	%	(1.00)

SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES

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Customer Administration		
Statement of Account	\$	15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Easement Letter	\$	15.00
Income tax letter	\$	15.00
Credit reference/credit check (plus credit agency costs)	\$	15.00
Returned cheque charge (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Charge to certify cheque	\$	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 annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge – no disconnection	\$	30.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter During Regular Hours	\$	110.00
Disconnect/Reconnect Charge - At Meter After Regular Hours	\$	245.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – during regular hours	\$	245.00
Disconnect/Reconnect at pole – after regular hours	\$	415.00
Install/Remove load control device – during regular hours	\$	110.00
Install/Remove load control device – after regular hours	\$	245.00
Temporary service – install and remove – overhead – no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service – install and remove – underground – no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service – install and remove – overhead – with transformer	\$	1,000.00
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	1.0897
Total Loss Factor – Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0788