



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

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**DECISION AND RATE ORDER**

**EB-2017-0060**

**MIDLAND POWER UTILITY CORPORATION**

**Application for rates and other charges to be effective May 1, 2018**

**By Delegation, Before: Jane Scott**

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**[date]**

## 1 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Through this Decision and Order, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approves the incentive rate-setting mechanism (IRM) application filed by Midland Power Utility Corporation (Midland Power) on September 25, 2017, as amended in this Decision and Order.

Midland Power serves about 7,300 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the Town of Midland. The company is seeking the OEB's approval for the rates it charges to distribute electricity to its customers, as is required of licenced and rate-regulated distributors in Ontario.

A distributor may choose one of three rate-setting methodologies approved by the OEB. Each of these is explained in the OEB's [Chapter 3 Filing Requirements for Incentive Rate-Setting Applications](#) (the Filing Requirements).

Midland Power's application is based on a Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting option (Price Cap IR) with a five-year term. The Price Cap IR option involves the setting of rates through a cost of service (COS or rebasing) application in the first year. Mechanistic price cap adjustments, based on inflation and the OEB's assessment of the distributor's efficiency, are then approved through IRM applications in each of the ensuing four (adjustment) years.

As a result of the OEB's findings in this Decision, there will be a monthly bill increase of \$0.10 for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh, effective May 1, 2018.

Midland Power has also applied to change the composition of its distribution service rates. Residential distribution service rates currently include a fixed monthly charge and a variable usage charge. In 2015, the OEB issued a policy to transition these rates to a fully fixed structure over a four-year period beginning in 2016.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, the fixed monthly charge for 2018 has once again been adjusted upward in this Decision by more than the mechanistic price cap adjustment alone. The variable usage rate is commensurately lower. This policy change does not affect the total revenue that distributors collect from residential customers.

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<sup>1</sup> OEB Policy – "A New Distribution Rate Design for Residential Electricity Customers." EB-2012-0410, April 2, 2015

## 2 THE PROCESS

This Decision is being issued by delegated authority, without a hearing, under section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (the OEB Act).

The OEB follows a standardized and streamlined process for IRM applications filed under Price Cap IR. In each adjustment year of a Price Cap IR term, the OEB prepares a Rate Generator Model that includes information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements. A distributor will then review and complete the Rate Generator Model and include it with its application. During the course of the proceeding, the Rate Generator Model will also be updated or corrected, as required.

The Rate Generator Model updates base rates, retail transmission service rates and, if applicable, shared tax saving adjustments. It also calculates rate riders for the disposition of deferral and variance account balances.

Midland Power filed its application on September 25, 2017, under section 78 of the OEB Act and in accordance with the Filing Requirements. Midland Power supported its application with written evidence and a completed rate model. Questions were asked of, and answers were provided by, Midland Power through emails and phone calls with the OEB. Based on this information, a draft decision was prepared and provided to Midland Power on February 28, 2018. Midland Power was given the opportunity to provide its comments on the draft for consideration prior to the OEB issuing this Decision.

## 3 ORGANIZATION OF THE DECISION

In this Decision, the OEB addresses the following issues, and provides reasons for approving or denying Midland Power's proposals relating to each of them:

- Price Cap Adjustment
- Shared Tax Adjustments
- Retail Transmission Service Rates
- Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts
- Residential Rate Design
- Other Matters

In the final section, the OEB addresses the steps to implement the final rates that flow from this Decision.

## 4 PRICE CAP ADJUSTMENT

Midland Power seeks to increase its rates, effective May 1, 2018, based on a mechanistic rate adjustment using the OEB-approved *inflation minus X-factor* formula applicable to Price Cap IR applications.

The components of the Price Cap IR formula applicable to Midland Power are set out in Table 4.1, below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 0.75% increase to Midland Power's rates:  $0.75\% = 1.20\% - (0.00\% + 0.45\%)$ .

**Table 4.1: Price Cap IR Adjustment Formula**

Components		Amount
Inflation Factor <sup>2</sup>		1.20%
X-Factor	Productivity <sup>3</sup>	0.00%
	Stretch (0.00% – 0.60%) <sup>4</sup>	0.45%

The inflation factor of 1.20% applies to all Price Cap IR applications for the 2018 rate year.

The X-factor is the sum of the productivity factor and the stretch factor. It is a productivity offset that will vary among different groupings of distributors. Subtracting the X-factor from inflation ensures that rates decline in real, constant-dollar terms, providing distributors with a tangible incentive to improve efficiency or else experience declining net income.

The productivity component of the X-factor is based on industry conditions over a historical study period and applies to all Price Cap IR applications for the 2018 rate year.

The stretch factor component of the X-factor is distributor specific. The OEB has established five stretch factor groupings, each within a range from 0.00% to 0.60%. The

<sup>2</sup> Report of the OEB – “Rate Setting Parameters and Benchmarking under the Renewed Regulatory Framework for Ontario’s Electricity Distributors.” EB-2010-0379, December 4, 2013

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>4</sup> The stretch factor groupings are based on the Report to the Ontario Energy Board – “Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2016 Benchmarking Update”, prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., July 2017

stretch factor assigned to any particular distributor is based on the distributor's total cost performance as benchmarked against other distributors in Ontario. The most efficient distributor would be assigned the lowest stretch factor of 0.00%. Conversely, a higher stretch factor would be applied to a less efficient distributor (in accordance with its cost performance relative to expected levels) to reflect the incremental productivity gains that the distributor is expected to achieve. The stretch factor assigned to Midland Power is 0.45%.

## Findings

The OEB finds that Midland Power's request for a 0.75% Price Cap IR adjustment is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB. The adjustment is approved, and Midland Power's new rates shall be effective May 1, 2018.

The adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable charges) uniformly across all customer classes.<sup>5</sup>

## 5 SHARED TAX ADJUSTMENTS

In any adjustment year of a Price Cap IR term, a change in legislation may result in a change to the amount of taxes payable by a distributor. For IRM applications, the OEB has long held that a 50/50 sharing of the impact of legislated tax changes between shareholders and ratepayers is appropriate in these situations. The shared tax change amount, whether in the form of a credit or a debit, will be assigned to customer rate classes in the same proportions as the OEB-approved distribution revenue by rate class from a distributor's last COS proceeding.

The application identifies a total tax change of \$2,034, resulting in a shared amount of \$1,017 to be paid by rate payers. Since the allocated tax sharing amount does not produce a rate rider in one or more rate classes, the Rate Generator Model does not compute rate riders and distributors are therefore required to transfer the entire OEB-approved tax sharing amount into Account 1595 for disposition at a later date.

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<sup>5</sup> Price Cap IR and Annual IR Index adjustments do not apply to the following rates and charges: rate riders, rate adders, low voltage service charges, retail transmission service rates, wholesale market service rate, rural or remote electricity rate protection charge, standard supply service – administrative charge, transformation and primary metering allowances, loss factors, specific service charges, microFIT charge, and retail service charges.

**Findings**

The allocated tax sharing amount does not produce a rate rider in one or more rate classes, therefore the OEB directs Midland Power to record the OEB-approved tax sharing amount into Account 1595 for disposition at a later date.

**6 RETAIL TRANSMISSION SERVICE RATES**

Distributors charge retail transmission service rates (RTSRs) to their customers to recover the amounts they pay to a transmitter, a host distributor or both for transmission services. All transmitters charge Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs) approved by the OEB to distributors connected to the transmission system. Host distributors charge host-RTSRs to distributors embedded within the host’s distribution system.

Midland Power is fully embedded within Hydro One Network Inc.’s distribution system and is requesting approval to adjust the RTSRs that it charges its customers to reflect the rates that it pays for transmission services included in Table 6.1.

**Table 6.1: Hydro One Networks Inc. Sub-Transmission Host-RTSRs<sup>6</sup>**

<b>Current Applicable Sub-Transmission RTSRs (2017)</b>	<b>per kWh</b>
Network Service Rate	\$3.19
<u>Connection Service Rates</u>	
Line Connection Service Rate	\$0.77
Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$1.75

**Findings**

Midland Power’s proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved. The RTSRs were adjusted based on the current host-RTSRs.

The differences resulting from the approval of new 2018 RTSRs will be captured in Accounts 1584 and 1586 for future disposition.

<sup>6</sup> Decision and Rate Order, EB-2016-0081, December 21, 2016

## 7 GROUP 1 DEFERRAL AND VARIANCE ACCOUNTS

In each year of an IRM term, the OEB will review a distributor's Group 1 deferral and variance accounts in order to determine whether their total balance should be disposed.<sup>7</sup> OEB policy requires that Group 1 accounts be disposed if they exceed (as a debit or credit) a pre-set disposition threshold of \$0.001 per kWh, unless a distributor justifies why balances should not be disposed.<sup>8</sup> If the balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may elect to request disposition.

The 2016 actual year-end total balance for Midland Power's Group 1 accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2018 is a debit of \$89,734. This amount represents a total debit claim of \$0.0005 per kWh, which does not exceed the disposition threshold. However, Midland proposes the disposition of this credit amount over a one-year period.

Included in the balance of the Group 1 accounts is the Global Adjustment (GA) account credit balance of \$25,003. A customer's costs for the commodity portion of its electricity service reflects the sum of two charges: the price of electricity established by the operation of the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) administered wholesale market, and the GA.<sup>9</sup>

The GA is paid by consumers in several different ways:

- For Regulated Price Plan (RPP) customers, the GA is incorporated into the standard commodity rates, therefore there is no variance account for the GA.
- Customers who participate in the Ontario Industrial Conservation Initiative program are referred to as "Class A" customers. These customers are assessed GA costs through a peak demand factor that is based on the percentage their demand contributes to the top five Ontario system peaks. This factor determines a Class A customer's allocation for a year-long billing period that starts in July every year. As distributors settle with Class A customers based on the actual GA costs there is no resulting variance.

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<sup>7</sup> Group 1 accounts track the differences between the costs that a distributor is billed for certain IESO and host distributor services (including the cost of power) and the associated revenues that the distributor receives from its customers for these services. The total net difference between these costs and revenues is disposed to customers through a temporary charge or credit known as a rate rider.

<sup>8</sup> Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative (EDDVAR)." EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009

<sup>9</sup> The GA is established monthly, by the IESO, and varies in accordance with market conditions. It is the difference between the market price and the sum of the rates paid to regulated and contracted generators and conservation and demand management (demand response) program costs.

- “Class B” non-RPP customers pay the GA charge based on the amount of electricity they consume in a month (kWh). Class B non-RPP customers are billed GA based on the IESO published GA price. For Class B non-RPP customers, distributors track any difference between the billed amounts and actual costs in the GA Variance Account for disposal, once audited.

Midland Power proposes the recovery of its GA variance account credit balance of \$25,003 as at December 31, 2016, including interest to April 30, 2018, in accordance with the following table.

**Table 7.1: Recovery of GA Variance**

Proposed Amounts	Proposed Method for Recovery
\$25,003 recovered from customers who were Class B for the entire period from January 2016 to December 2016	per kWh rate rider

The balance of the Group 1 accounts includes \$7,748 for the refund of Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) charges for Class B customers related to the IESO's wholesale energy market Demand Response 3 program. Distributors paid CBR charges to the IESO in 2016 and recorded these to a dedicated sub-account. The disposition of this sub-account is impacted by whether or not a distributor had any customers who were part of Class A during the period from January 2016 to December 2016.

Midland Power had no Class A customers during the period from January 2016 to December 2016 so it applied to have the balance of this account disposed along with Account 1580 - Wholesale Market Service Charge through the general Deferral and Variance Account rate rider.

The remaining Group 1 accounts being sought for disposition, through the general Deferral and Variance Account rate rider, include the following flow through variance accounts: Low Voltage Charges, Smart Meter Entity Charges, Wholesale Market Service Charges, Retail Transmission Service Charges, Commodity Power Charges, and Account 1595 residual balances. These Group 1 accounts have a total debit balance of \$114,737, which results in a charge to customers.

Included in the balance of the Group 1 accounts is a request for disposition of three 1595 accounts that have been previously disposed.



Table 7.2: 1595 Account Balances

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance (\$) A	Interest Balance (\$) B	Total Claim (\$) C=A+B
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2012)	1595	0	818	818
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2013)	1595	0	98	98
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2014)	1595	0	41	41

Through OEB staff questions, staff brought to the attention of Midland Power any vintage year of account 1595 is only to be disposed of once on a final basis. Midland Power responded with various reasons for the requests for disposition.

The balances proposed for disposition reconcile with the amounts reported as part of the OEB's *Electricity Reporting and Record-Keeping Requirements*.<sup>10</sup>

### Findings

The OEB instructs Midland Power to write off the remaining residual balances in the three 1595 accounts, due to them already being disposed of on a final basis in previous decisions.

The 2016 actual year-end total balance for Midland Power's Group 1 accounts including interest projected to April 30, 2018 and excluding the three 1595 account balances of \$957 is a debit of \$88,777. This amount represents a total debit claim of \$0.0005 per kWh, which does not exceed the disposition threshold.

The OEB approves the disposition of a debit balance of \$88,777 as of December 31, 2016, including interest projected to April 30, 2018 for Group 1 accounts.

The following table identifies the principal and interest amounts which the OEB approves for disposition.

<sup>10</sup> Electricity Reporting and Record Keeping Requirements, Version dated May 3, 2016

Table 7.3: Group 1 Deferral and Variance Account Balances

Account Name	Account Number	Principal Balance (\$) A	Interest Balance (\$) B	Total Claim (\$) C=A+B
LV Variance Account	1550	260,621	4,747	265,368
Smart Meter Entity Variance Charge	1551	(2,472)	(46)	(2,518)
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(170,694)	(7,508)	(178,202)
Variance WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B	1580	(8,197)	448	(7,748)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	13,221	489	13,710
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	33,212	1,270	34,482
RSVA – Power	1588	(12,117)	1,703	(10,413)
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	(31,110)	6,107	(25,003)
Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances (2015)	1595	(489,664)	488,766	(898)
<b>Totals for all Group 1 accounts</b>		(407,200)	495,977	88,777

The balance of each of the Group 1 accounts approved for disposition shall be transferred to the applicable principal and interest carrying charge sub-accounts of Account 1595. Such transfer shall be pursuant to the requirements specified in Article 220, Account Descriptions, of the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*.<sup>11</sup> The date of the transfer must be the same as the effective date for the associated rates, which is, generally, the start of the rate year. Midland Power shall ensure these adjustments are included in the reporting period ending June 30, 2018 (Quarter 2).

<sup>11</sup> Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors, effective January 1, 2012

The OEB approves these balances to be disposed through rate riders as calculated in the Rate Generator Model. The rate riders, charges will be in effect over a one-year period from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019.<sup>12</sup>

## 8 RESIDENTIAL RATE DESIGN

All residential distribution rates currently include a fixed monthly charge and a variable usage charge. The OEB's residential rate design policy stipulates that distributors will transition residential customers to a fully fixed monthly distribution service charge over a four-year period, beginning in 2016.<sup>13</sup> The OEB requires that distributors filing IRM applications affecting 2018 rates continue with this transition by once again adjusting their distribution rates to increase the fixed monthly service charge and decrease the variable charge consistent with the policy.

The OEB expects an applicant to apply two tests to evaluate whether mitigation of bill impacts for customers is required during the transition period. Mitigation usually takes the form of a lengthening of the transition period. The first test is to calculate the change in the monthly fixed charge, and to consider mitigation if it exceeds \$4. The second is to calculate the total bill impact of the proposals in the application for low volume residential customers (defined as those residential RPP customers whose consumption is at the 10<sup>th</sup> percentile for the class). Mitigation may be required if the bill impact related to the application exceeds 10% for these customers.

Midland Power notes that the implementation of the transition results in an increase to the fixed charge prior to the price cap adjustment of \$3.59. The bill impacts arising from the proposals in this application, including the fixed rate change, are below 10% for low volume residential customers.

### Findings

The OEB finds that the proposed 2018 increase to the monthly fixed charge is calculated in accordance with the OEB's residential rate design policy. The results of the monthly fixed charge, and total bill impact for low consumption residential consumers show that no mitigation is required. The OEB approves the increase as proposed by the applicant and calculated in the final Rate Generator Model.

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<sup>12</sup> 2018 IRM Rate Generator Model Tab 6.1 GA and Tab 7 "Calculation of Def-Var RR"

<sup>13</sup> As outlined in the Policy cited at footnote 1 above.

## 9 OTHER MATTERS

In addition to the matters discussed previously, Midland Power sought approval for the following rate and charge<sup>14</sup> in its application:

- Continuance of the Smart Metering Entity Charge

This rate and charge was approved by the OEB in a previous proceeding. No further approval is required in this Decision to include these on Midland Power's Tariff of Rates and Charges.

## 10 IMPLEMENTATION AND ORDER

This Decision is accompanied by a Rate Generator Model, applicable supporting models, and a Tariff of Rates and Charges (Schedule A).

Model entries were reviewed in order to ensure that they are in accordance with Midland Power's last COS decision, and to ensure that the 2017 OEB-approved Tariff of Rates and Charges, as well as the cost, revenue and consumption results from 2016, are as reported by Midland Power to the OEB.

The Rate Generator Model was adjusted, where applicable, to correct any discrepancies. The Rate Generator Model incorporates the rates set out in the following table.

**Table 10.1: Regulatory Charges**

<b>Rate</b>	<b>per kWh</b>
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP)	\$0.0003
Wholesale Market Service (WMS) billed to Class A and B Customers	\$0.0032
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) billed to Class B Customers	\$0.0004

Each of these rates is a component of the "Regulatory Charge" on a customer's bill, established annually by the OEB through a separate, generic order. The RRRP, WMS

<sup>14</sup> Midland Power 2018 IRM Application, EB-2017-0060, September 25, 2017, page 7

and CBR rates were set by the OEB on December 20, 2017.<sup>15</sup>

### **THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT**

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is approved effective May 1, 2018 for electricity consumed or estimated to have been consumed on and after such date. Midland Power Utility Corporation shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.

**DATED** at Toronto, [date]

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

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<sup>15</sup> Decision and Order, EB-2017-0333, December 20, 2017

**Schedule A**

**To Decision and Rate Order**

**Tariff of Rates and Charges**

**OEB File No: EB-2017-0060**

**DATED: [date]**

**Midland Power Utility Corporation**  
**TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES**  
**Effective and Implementation Date May 1, 2018**  
**This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously**  
**approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors**

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## RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account where energy is supplied to customers residing in residential dwelling units. Energy is generally supplied as a single phase, 3-wire, 60-Hertz, having a nominal voltage of 120/240 Volts and having only one Delivery Point per dwelling. For the purposes of calculating customer connection fees, the Basic Connection for Residential customers is defined as 100 amp 120/240 volt overhead service. A residential building is supplied at one service voltage per land parcel. Street Townhouses and Condominiums requiring centralization bulk metering are covered under General Service Classification. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. 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 Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy 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 Ontario Energy Board, and amendments thereto as approved by the Ontario Energy 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 Ontario Energy Board approval, such as the Debt Retirement Charge, the Global Adjustment and the HST.

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	26.99
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0054
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0020
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kWh	0.0005
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0066
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0052

## MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0032
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0003
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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## GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to General Service Buildings requiring a connection with a connected load less than 50 kW, and, Townhouses and Condominiums that require centralized bulk metering. General Service buildings are defined as buildings that are used for purposes other than single-family dwellings. A General Service building is supplied at one voltage per land parcel. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	22.79
Rate Rider for Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until October 31, 2018	\$	0.79
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0168
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0018
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kWh	0.0006
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0032
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0003
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25



# Midland Power Utility Corporation

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

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

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to General Service customers requiring a connection with a connected load equal to or greater than 50 kW and less than 5,000 kW. A General Service building is supplied at one service voltage per land parcel. Depending on the location of the building, primary supplies to transformers and Customer owned Sub-Stations will be one of the following as determined by the Distributor:

- 2,400/4,160 volts 3 Phase 4Wire
- 4,800/8,320 volts 3 Phase 4 Wire
- 7,200/12,400 volts 3 Phase 4 Wire
- 8,000/13,800 volts 3 Phase 4 Wire
- 16,000/27,600 volts 3 Phase 4 Wire
- 44,000 Volts 3 Phase 3 Wire

Class A and Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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

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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.

The rate rider for the disposition of Global Adjustment is only applicable to non-RPP Class B customers. It is not applicable to WMP, customers that transitioned between Class A and Class B during the variance account accumulation period, or to customers that were in Class A for the entire period. Customers who transitioned are to be charged or refunded their share of the variance disposed through customer specific billing adjustments. This rate rider is to be consistently applied for the entire period to the sunset date of the rate rider. In addition, this rate rider is applicable to all new non-RPP Class B customers.

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

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	64.41
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.2825
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.7282
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019 Applicable only for Non-Wholesale Market Participants	\$/kW	(0.4023)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kW	0.6335
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.4232
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate (see Note 1)	\$/kW	1.8941

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Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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**TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES**  
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## UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less whose monthly average peak 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 customer will provide detailed manufacturer information/documentation with regard to electrical demand/consumption of the proposed unmetered load. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. 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 customer)	\$	10.54
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0113
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0018
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kWh	0.0006
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0059
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0048

### MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0032
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0003
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 operation, 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 Ontario Energy Board street lighting load shape template. Class B consumers are defined in accordance with O. Reg. 429/04. 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)	\$	3.90
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	8.9990
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.5629
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0002)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2018) - effective until April 30, 2019	\$/kW	0.2217
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.8277
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4643

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0032
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
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**microFIT SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to an electricity generation facility contracted under the Independent Electricity System Operator'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	(0.60)
Primary Metering Allowance for Transformer Losses - applied to measured demand & energy	%	(1.00)

**SPECIFIC SERVICE CHARGES**

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**Customer Administration**

Notification charge	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Returned cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	15.00
Legal letter charge	\$	15.00
Account set up charge/change of occupancy charge (plus credit agency costs if applicable)	\$	30.00

**Non-Payment of Account**

Late payment - per month	%	1.50
Late payment - per annum	%	19.56
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

**Other**

Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments)	\$	22.35
Interval meter load management tool charge \$/month	\$	25.00
Temporary service - install & remove - overhead - no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service - install & remove - underground - no transformer	\$	300.00

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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	1.0682
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0576

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**NOTES**

1) The Billing Demand for Line and Transformation Connection Services is defined as the Non-Coincident Peak demand (MW) in any hour of the month. The customer demand in any hour is the sum of (a) the loss-adjusted demand supplied from the distribution system plus (b) the demand that is supplied by embedded generation installed after October 1998, which have installed capacity of 2MW or more for renewable generation and 1 MW or higher for non-renewable generation. The term renewable generation refers to a facility that generates electricity from the following sources: wind, solar, Biomass, Bio-oil, Bio-gas, landfill gas, or water. The demand supplied by embedded generation will not be adjusted for losses.

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