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To: All Electricity Distributors

**Re: Review of Fixed Monthly Charge for microFIT Generator Service Classification
OEB File Numbers EB-2009-0326 and EB-2010-0219**

Each year, the Ontario Energy Board reviews the province-wide fixed monthly service charge related to the microFIT Generator Service Classification to ensure that it continues to reflect actual costs. This charge was first established by the OEB in 2010 as part of the proceeding to determine and implement a distribution rate for embedded generators having a nameplate capacity of 10 kW or less.¹ The charge was initially set at \$5.25 per month, updated to \$5.40 per month on [November 20, 2012](#) for 2013 rates, and updated again to \$4.55 per month on [February 24, 2020](#) for 2020 rates.

For the 2021 rate year, the OEB will maintain the \$4.55 fixed monthly service charge. The OEB is satisfied that this amount continues to be a reasonable reflection of the costs that a distributor will incur in respect of a microFIT generator account.²

The OEB reminds distributors that they may request a distributor-specific charge as part of their cost of service applications. Any distributor that applies for a distributor-specific charge will be required to demonstrate that its costs are materially different than the province-wide charge.

Distributors are directed to communicate the continuation of the \$4.55 fixed monthly service charge to all affected customers at the earliest opportunity unless they have been approved for a different microFIT charge.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

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¹ EB-2009-0326: [Decision and Order](#), February 23, 2010; and, [Rate Order](#), March 17, 2010

² This charge is reviewed annually using the methodology established in the EB-2009-0326 proceeding and refined in the EB-2010-0219 [Report of the Board: Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy](#), March 31, 2011