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DECISION AND RATE ORDER

EB-2023-0047

OTTAWA RIVER POWER CORPORATION

Application for rates and other charges to be effective
May 1, 2024

BEFORE: **Fred Cass**
 Presiding Commissioner

Pankaj Sardana
Commissioner

April 9, 2024

1. OVERVIEW

The Ontario Energy Board is approving changes to the rates that Ottawa River Power Corporation (ORPC) charges to distribute electricity to its customers, effective May 1, 2024.

As a result of this Decision, there will be a monthly total bill decrease of \$4.24 for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh. This change does not factor in applicable taxes or the Ontario Electricity Rebate.

2. CONTEXT AND PROCESS

ORPC filed its application on November 6, 2023 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and in accordance with Chapter 3 of the OEB's [Filing Requirements for Incentive Rate-Setting Applications](#) (Filing Requirements). The application was based on the Price Cap Incentive Rate-setting (Price Cap IR) option, with a five-year term. The application was updated on December 8, 2023 to adjust for changes made to Accounts 1588 and 1589.

The Price Cap IR option is one of three incentive rate-setting mechanisms (IRM) approved by the OEB.¹ It involves the setting of rates through a cost of service application in the first year and mechanistic price cap adjustments which may be approved through IRM applications in each of the ensuing adjustment years.

The OEB follows a standardized and streamlined process for processing 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, as a placeholder, information from the distributor's past proceedings and annual reporting requirements. A distributor will then review, complete, and include the model with its application, and may update the model during the proceeding to make any necessary corrections or to incorporate new rate-setting parameters as they become available.

ORPC serves approximately 11,600 mostly residential and commercial electricity customers in the City of Pembroke, the Township of Whitewater (Beachburg only), the Town of Mississippi Mills (Almonte Ward only) and the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards (Killaloe only).

Notice of the application was issued on November 30, 2023. Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) requested intervenor status. The OEB approved VECC as an intervenor. The OEB approved cost eligibility for VECC.

The application was supported by pre-filed written evidence and a completed Rate Generator Model and, as required during the proceeding, ORPC updated and clarified the evidence.

ORPC responded to interrogatories from OEB staff and VECC. A final submission on the application was filed by OEB staff. By letter, dated March 22, 2024, VECC noted that it had reviewed and supported the submission of OEB staff.

¹ Each of these options is explained in the OEB's [Handbook for Utility Rate Applications](#).

3. DECISION OUTLINE

Each of the following issues is addressed in this Decision, together with the OEB's findings.

- Annual Adjustment Mechanism
- Shared Tax Adjustments
- Retail Transmission Service Rates
- Low Voltage Service Rates
- Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts
- Power Purchased True-up Proposal

Instructions for implementing ORPC's new rates and charges are set out in the final section of this Decision.

This Decision does not address rates and charges approved by the OEB in prior proceedings, such as specific service charges² and loss factors, which are out of scope in an IRM proceeding and for which no further approvals are required to continue to include them on the distributor's Tariff of Rates and Charges.

² Certain service charges are subject to annual inflationary adjustments to be determined by the OEB through a generic order. For example, the OEB's Decision and Order in EB-2023-0193, September 26, 2023, established the adjustment for energy retailer service charges, effective January 1, 2024; and the OEB's Decision and Order in EB-2023-0194, issued September 26, 2023, established the 2024 Wireline Pole Attachment Charge, effective January 1, 2024.

4. ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM

ORPC has applied to change its rates, effective May 1, 2024, based on a mechanistic rate adjustment using the OEB-approved **inflation minus X-factor** formula applicable to IRM applications. The adjustment applies to distribution rates (fixed and variable) uniformly across all customer classes.³

The components of the Price Cap adjustment formula applicable to ORPC are set out in the table below. Inserting these components into the formula results in a 4.80% increase to ORPC's rates: **4.80% = 4.80% - (0.00% + 0.00%)**.

Table 4.1: Price Cap IR Adjustment Formula

Components		Amount
Inflation factor ⁴		4.80%
Less: X-factor	Productivity factor ⁵	0.00%
	Stretch factor (0.00% to 0.60%) ⁶	0.00%

An inflation factor of 4.80% applies to all IRM applications for the 2024 rate year. The X-factor is the sum of the productivity factor and the stretch factor. It is a productivity offset that varies 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 IRM applications for the 2024 rate year. The stretch factor component of the X-factor is one of five stretch factor groupings established by the OEB, ranging from 0.00% to 0.60%. The stretch factor assigned to any distributor is based on the distributor's total cost performance as benchmarked against other distributors in Ontario. The stretch factor assigned to ORPC is 0.00%, resulting in a rate adjustment of 4.80%.

³ The 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, smart metering entity charge, rural or remote electricity rate protection charge, standard supply service – administrative charge, transformation and primary metering allowances, loss factors, specific service charges (other than the Wireline Pole Attachment charge), and microFIT charge.

⁴ OEB Letter, 2024 Inflation Parameters, issued October June 29, 2023

⁵ Report of the Ontario Energy Board – “Rate Setting Parameters and Benchmarking under the Renewed Regulatory Framework for Ontario’s Electricity Distributors” EB-2010-0379, December 4, 2013

⁶ Report to the Ontario Energy Board – “Empirical Research in Support of Incentive Rate-Setting: 2022 Benchmarking Update”, prepared by Pacific Economics Group LLC., July 2023

Findings

ORPC's request for a 4.80% rate adjustment is in accordance with the annually updated parameters set by the OEB. The adjustment is approved, and ORPC's new rates shall be effective May 1, 2024.

5. SHARED TAX ADJUSTMENTS

In any adjustment year of an IRM term, a change in legislation may result in a change to the amount of taxes payable by a distributor. The impacts of such legislated tax changes are shared equally between shareholders and customers.^{7 8} 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 the distributor's last cost of service proceeding.

The application identified a total tax decrease of \$6,797, resulting in a shared amount of \$3,399 to be refunded to ratepayers.

This allocated tax sharing amount does not produce a rate rider to the fourth decimal place, in one or more rate classes. In such situations where the Rate Generator Model does not compute rate riders, distributors are required to transfer the entire OEB-approved tax sharing amount into the Disposition and Recovery of Regulatory Balances Control Account (Account 1595) for disposition at a later date.

Findings

The OEB approves the tax sharing refund of \$3,399.

As the allocated tax sharing amount does not produce a rate rider in one or more rate classes, the OEB directs ORPC to record the credit amount of \$3,399 into Account 1595 (2024).

⁷ On July 25, 2019, the OEB issued a [letter](#) providing accounting guidance with respect to changes in capital cost allowance (CCA) rules. The guidance provides that impacts from changes in CCA rules will not be assessed in IRM proceedings, and that any request for disposition of amounts related to CCA changes is to be deferred to the distributor's next cost-of-service rate proceeding. A distributor's request for disposition of shared tax adjustment amounts in an IRM application should, therefore, be comprised only of impacts for tax changes unrelated to CCA.

⁸ Chapter 3 Filing Requirements, section 3.2.8, notes that the Rate Generator Model reflects the change in the Small Business Deduction phase-out for 2024 rates.

6. RETAIL TRANSMISSION SERVICE RATES (RTSRs)

ORPC is fully embedded within Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) and Brookfield Energy Management Inc. (Brookfield).

To recover its cost of transmission services, ORPC requests approval to adjust the retail transmission service rates (RTSRs) that it charges its customers in accordance with the host distributor RTSRs currently in effect.

Findings

ORPC's proposed adjustment to its RTSRs is approved.

The RTSRs have been adjusted based on the current OEB-approved host-RTSRs.⁹¹⁰

Host-RTSRs are typically approved annually by the OEB. In the event that the OEB updates the approved host-RTSRs during ORPC's 2024 rate year, any resulting differences (from the prior-approved host-RTSRs) will be captured in Retail Settlement Variance Accounts 1584 (Retail Transmission Network Charge) and 1586 (Retail Transmission Connection Charge).

⁹ EB-2023-0030, Partial Decision and Rate Order, December 14, 2023

¹⁰ Brookfield Energy Management Inc. RTSRs are 50% of the Hydro One Sub-Transmission Network, Line Connection and Transformation Connection charges, EB-2021-0263, Appendix C Amended and Restated Power Purchase Agreement, p. 6

7. LOW VOLTAGE SERVICE RATES

ORPC is fully embedded within Hydro One and Brookfield distribution systems.

Low voltage transactions, which are not part of the wholesale electricity market, are charged to a distributor by its host distributor. To recover the cost of its low voltage transactions, ORPC requests approval to adjust its Low Voltage Service Rates (LV Service Rates) that it charges its customers as part of this IRM application. The adjusted LV Service Rates are based on the current OEB-approved host embedded distributor rates and the most recent demand data for low voltage transactions.

Findings

ORPC's proposed adjustment to its LV Service Rates is approved. The LV Service Rates have been updated based on the current OEB-approved host distributor's embedded distributor rates. In the event that the OEB updates the approved host distributor embedded distributor rates during ORPC's 2024 rate year, any resulting differences are to be captured in Account 1550 LV Variance Account.

8. 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 to determine whether those balances should be disposed. OEB policy states that Group 1 account balances should be disposed if they exceed, on a net basis (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.¹¹ If the net balance does not exceed the threshold, a distributor may still request disposition.¹²

The 2022 year-end net balance for ORPC's Group 1 accounts eligible for disposition, including interest projected to April 30, 2024, is a credit of \$3,356,801, and pertains to variances accumulated during the 2022 calendar year for Group 1 balances, except for Accounts 1588 and 1589. ORPC is requesting the disposition of its Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances related to the 2018 through 2022 calendar years.

The OEB most recently approved the disposition of ORPC's Group 1 account balances on a final basis, as of December 31, 2021, for all balances, excluding Accounts 1588 and 1589, as part of its 2023 IRM proceeding.¹³ Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances, as of December 31, 2017, were approved on a final basis during the 2023 IRM proceeding.

In the current proceeding, the credit amount of \$3,356,801 represents a total claim of a credit of \$0.0181 per kWh, which exceeds the disposition threshold. ORPC stated that it has requested the disposition of this amount over a four-year period to "ensure that upon termination of the credit to customers, the risk of bills increasing more than 10% is mitigated."¹⁴

Included in the Group 1 accounts are certain variances related to costs that are paid for by a distributor's customers on different bases, depending on their classification. Namely, "Class A" customers, who participate in the Industrial Conservation Initiative, pay for Global Adjustment (GA) charges based on their contribution to the five highest Ontario demand peaks over a 12-month period. "Class B" customers pay for GA charges based on their monthly consumption, either as a standalone charge or embedded in the Regulated Price Plan (RPP).¹⁵ A similar mechanism applies to Class A

¹¹ Report of the OEB – "Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review Initiative" (EDDVAR), EB-2008-0046, July 31, 2009

¹² OEB letter, "Update to the Electricity Distributors' Deferral and Variance Account Review ("EDDVAR Report")", released July 2009 (EB-2008-0046)", issued July 25, 2014

¹³ EB-2022-0058, 2023 IRM Decision and Rate Order, March 23, 2023, p. 10 & 11

¹⁴ Staff Question-22, February 28, 2024

¹⁵ For additional details on the Global Adjustment charge, refer to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)'s [website](#).

and Class B customers for Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) charges.¹⁶ The balance in the GA variance account is attributable to non-RPP Class B customers and is disposed of through a separate rate rider. The balance in the CBR Class B variance account is attributable to all Class B customers.

ORPC had one or more Class A customers during the period in which variances accumulated, however, the CBR Class B rate riders calculated rounded to zero at the fourth decimal place in one or more of the rate classes. When this occurs, the entire balance of the CBR Class B variance account is disposed of along with Account 1580 – Wholesale Market Service Charge through the general Deferral and Variance Account rate rider.

During the period in which variances accumulated, ORPC had one or more customers transition between Class A and Class B. Under the general principle of cost causality, customer groups that cause variances that are recorded in Group 1 accounts should be responsible for paying (or receiving credits) for their disposal. ORPC has proposed to allocate a portion of the GA balance to each transition customer, based on their customer-specific consumption levels.¹⁷ The GA amounts allocated to each transition customer are proposed to be recovered (or refunded, as applicable), by way of 12 equal monthly installments.

Interim Disposition

In its submission, OEB staff supported the disposition of ORPC's December 31, 2022 Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts (DVAs) on an interim basis, for the following reasons:

1. There were concerns regarding Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances, and it was recommended that ORPC should do a detailed review of its Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances before it files its next application for 2025 rates.
2. Other Group 1 account balances (i.e., other than Accounts 1588 and 1589) may also potentially be impacted by the outcomes of the internal review, such that disposing of these other Group 1 balances on an interim basis is appropriate at this time.
3. The disposition benefits ORPC's customers, as the proposed Group 1 balance is a material credit balance of \$3,356,801.

¹⁶ All Class B customers (RPP and non-RPP) pay the CBR as a separate charge based on their monthly consumption. For additional details on the CBR for Class A customers, refer to the IESO's [website](#).

¹⁷ 2024 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tab 6.1a "GA Allocation"

4. There are potential intergenerational inequities, given the length of time that Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances remain undisposed to date - balances pertaining to variances accumulated in the 2018 to 2022 calendar years have not yet been disposed, on either an interim or final basis.
5. ORPC's most recent "pro-forma" GA Analysis Workform,¹⁸ for the periods 2018 to 2022, reflected percentages less than +/- 1% (or in one circumstance, a percentage slightly greater than +/- 1%), as per the threshold tests for Accounts 1588 and 1589.

In its reply submission, ORPC stated that it is not opposed to an interim disposition due to the large balances that have accumulated to-date and the credit balance will have a positive impact on ORPC's customers. ORPC also noted that interim disposition will also allow ORPC to review its balances.

Subsequent to ORPC's reply submission, VECC filed a letter with the OEB. VECC submitted that it found the record confusing and difficult to navigate due to material changes in balances, changes throughout the process, incomplete explanations, and errors that were identified during the proceeding. VECC stated that OEB staff's submission had rationalized and addressed the main discrepancies and VECC agreed with OEB staff's submission.

ORPC did not comment on VECC's letter.

Concerns with Accounts 1588 and 1589 Balances

In its submission, OEB staff recommended that a detailed review of Accounts 1588 and 1589, and a delay of final disposition are appropriate for the following reasons:

1. There have been numerous material changes in the Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances throughout this proceeding.
2. Explanations have not been provided for all adjustments and errors that were identified during this proceeding.
3. It is unclear why material amounts relating to Accounts 1588 and 1589 were only posted to Account 1588 and whether amounts prior to 2018 followed the same approach used by ORPC.
4. It is unclear what periods were impacted by an error related to Hydro One GA on embedded generation.

¹⁸ Staff Question-29, "Pro-Forma" GA Analysis Workform, Attachment 2, February 28, 2024

5. A material Hydro One billing error was incurred that was not discovered by ORPC until recently.

OEB staff submitted that ORPC should address the above concerns in its 2025 rate proceeding.

Findings

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

The OEB approves the disposition of a credit balance of \$3,356,801 as of December 31, 2022, including interest projected to April 30, 2024, for Group 1 accounts on an interim basis. This credit of \$3,356,801 pertains to the variances accumulated during the following calendar years:

- 2022 year for Group 1 balances, except for Accounts 1588 and 1589
- 2018 through 2022 years for Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances

The OEB agrees with OEB staff that interim disposition is appropriate, for the reasons noted in the section above titled "Interim Disposition".

The OEB also agrees with OEB staff that ORPC should undertake a detailed review of its Accounts 1588 and 1589 balances before it files its next rate application. The OEB finds that ORPC shall conduct such a review and file the results of the review with ORPC's next rate application. In that application, ORPC shall confirm that the balances in Account 1588 and Account 1589 that are being requested for disposition are accurate and have been adjusted accordingly based on the result of the internal review.

ORPC shall quantify the adjustments made to Account 1588 and Account 1589 and provide supporting calculations and explanations for each adjustment. Sufficient detail shall be filed with the OEB to support balances proposed for disposition in ORPC's next application, after completion of the internal review.

The scope of the internal review shall address, but not be limited to, all five points listed in the section above titled "Concerns with Accounts 1588 and 1589 Balances", as also described in more detail in OEB staff's submission.

Table 8.1 identifies the principal and interest amounts, which the OEB approves for disposition on an interim basis.

Table 8.1: 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	366,990	26,514	393,504
Smart Metering Entity Charge	1551	(31,940)	(2,371)	(34,311)
RSVA - Wholesale Market Service Charge	1580	(27,129)	(1,928)	(29,058)
RSVA - Retail Transmission Network Charge	1584	240,630	18,262	258,893
RSVA - Retail Transmission Connection Charge	1586	71,179	5,543	76,723
RSVA – Power	1588	(2,542,165)	(248,880)	(2,791,045)
RSVA - Global Adjustment	1589	(1,125,225)	(106,282)	(1,231,507)
Totals for all Group 1 accounts		(3,047,660)	(309,141)	(3,356,801)

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 the *Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors*.¹⁹ 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.

The OEB approves these balances to be disposed of through interim rate riders, charges, or payments, as calculated in the Rate Generator Model. The interim rate riders, charges, and payments, as applicable, will be in effect over a four-year period from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2028.²⁰

¹⁹ Article 220, Account Descriptions, Accounting Procedures Handbook for Electricity Distributors, effective January 1, 2012

²⁰ 2024 IRM Rate Generator Model Tab 6.1 GA, Tab 6.1a GA Allocation, Tab 6.2 CBR B, Tab 6.2a CBR B_Allocation and Tab 7 Calculation of Def-Var RR

9. POWER PURCHASED TRUE-UP PROPOSAL

In its application, ORPC proposed the establishment of a new DVA. This new DVA is Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-account Power Purchased True-Up.²¹

In its reply submission, ORPC provided a revised Accounting Order for this new DVA, with an effective date of July 1, 2023.²²

ORPC noted that effective July 1, 2023, the *Electricity Act, 1998* was amended to exempt GA charges for customers who consume electricity supplied from outside Ontario.²³ Electricity purchased by ORPC from Brookfield's Waltham Generating Station in Quebec resulted in ORPC no longer paying GA for those purchases, effective July 1, 2023.

In its interrogatory responses, ORPC addressed the OEB's filing requirements that outline the requirements relating to the establishment of a new DVA, which include the eligibility criteria of causation, materiality, and prudence.²⁴

ORPC also requested the establishment of a Power Purchased True-Up Rate of a credit of \$0.0070 per kWh to be refunded to all its customers (with the rate proposed to be effective May 1, 2024 for 12 months).²⁵ ORPC will apply to the OEB to update this rate rider in each of its rate applications going forward.

ORPC stated that the purpose of its new rate mechanism is to:²⁶

1. Refund the over-collection of GA from ratepayers since July 1, 2023
2. Collect increased electricity costs of Waltham Generating Station purchases since July 1, 2023
3. Pass GA savings to ratepayers on a go-forward basis so ORPC does not over-collect GA
4. Collect increased electricity costs on a go-forward basis so ratepayers pay incremental supply costs as they are incurred by ORPC

²¹ Appendix J, December 8, 2023, p. 2

²² Reply Submission, March 19, 2024

²³ Staff Question-6, February 1, 2024

²⁴ Staff Question-6, February 1, 2024; [Filing Requirements](#) for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications – 2023 Edition for 2024 Rate Applications, Chapter 2, Cost of Service, December 15, 2022, pp. 66 & 67

²⁵ Appendix J, p. 3, February 1, 2024; Staff Question-31, February 28, 2024

²⁶ Manager's Summary, December 8, 2023, p. 21

ORPC provided an illustrative calculation of Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-account Power Purchased True-up in Excel Appendix K.

ORPC stated that its Excel Appendix K is a template to demonstrate how the balance in Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-account Power Purchased True-Up, as well as the proposed rate per kWh to be refunded to its customers annually, will be calculated.²⁷

ORPC filed a revised Excel Appendix K several times during this proceeding, based on concerns raised in OEB staff interrogatories and supplemental interrogatories.

Summary of Submissions

OEB staff supported the establishment of Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-account Power Purchased True-Up, effective July 1, 2023, as ORPC had satisfied the OEB's filing requirements relating to the establishment of a new DVA (i.e., causation, materiality, and prudence). OEB staff did not take issue with ORPC's draft accounting order for this new DVA.

OEB staff also did not take issue with ORPC's proposed Power Purchased True-Up Rate of a credit of \$0.0070 per kWh to be refunded to all of its customers, effective May 1, 2024 for 12 months. OEB staff submitted that it is appropriate for ORPC to apply to the OEB to update this rate rider in each of its rate applications going forward.

OEB staff was also of the view that this up-front credit rate rider to ORPC's customers is appropriate, as the timing and amounts attempt to correspond to the GA that is paid by its customers relating to the Quebec generation (i.e., either explicitly as GA charges for non-RPP customers, or within time-of-use or tiered rates for RPP customers). OEB staff also submitted that this mechanism proposed by ORPC may potentially mitigate large credit DVA balances from being incurred by ORPC going forward.

OEB staff was satisfied that, even after considering the 50% of GA savings that needs to be paid to Brookfield and absorbed by ORPC's customers, ORPC's customers will benefit overall from savings related to all its cost of power components via ORPC's agreement with Brookfield.

However, OEB staff submitted that in its next rate application, ORPC should file a revised Excel Appendix K correcting the additional discrepancies noted by OEB staff and perform another detailed review of this spreadsheet before this next rate application filing. OEB staff was not confident that ORPC's Excel Appendix K is reasonable, other

²⁷ Staff Question-31, February 28, 2024

than the calculation of the credit of \$0.0070 per kWh to be refunded to all of its customers, effective May 1, 2024.

OEB staff submitted that if any revisions to ORPC's methodology set out in the Excel Appendix K to calculate the above-noted credit of \$0.0070 per kWh (or to any previously disposed DVA balances in general) are proposed in a future proceeding, these revisions may be subject to the OEB's October 31, 2019 letter. The OEB's October 31, 2019 [letter](#) relates to Adjustments to Correct for Errors in Electricity "Pass-Through" Variance Accounts After Disposition.²⁸ Amongst other items, this letter states that an asymmetrical approach to the correction of any errors made by utilities may be appropriate.

In its reply submission, ORPC stated that it is not opposed to reviewing and revising the Excel Appendix K as part of its next application for 2025 rates.

Subsequent to ORPC's reply submission, VECC filed a letter with the OEB. In its submission, VECC noted the discrepancies in the Excel appendices. VECC stated that OEB staff's submission had rationalized and addressed the main discrepancies and VECC agreed with OEB staff's submission.

ORPC did not comment on VECC's letter.

Findings

The OEB approves the establishment of Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-account Power Purchased True-Up, effective July 1, 2023, as ORPC has satisfied the OEB's filing requirements relating to the establishment of a new DVA (i.e., causation, materiality, and prudence).

The OEB approves ORPC's draft accounting order for this new DVA, as attached in Schedule B to this decision.

The OEB approves ORPC's proposed Power Purchased True-Up Rate of a credit of \$0.0070 per kWh to be refunded to all of its customers, effective May 1, 2024 for 12-months, on an interim basis. The OEB has determined that it is appropriate for ORPC to apply to the OEB to update this rate rider in each of its rate applications going forward.

The OEB agrees with OEB staff that this up-front credit rate rider to ORPC's customers is appropriate, as the timing and amounts attempt to correspond to the GA that is paid by its customers relating to the Quebec generation (i.e., either explicitly as GA charges

²⁸ [OEB Letter](#), Adjustments to Correct for Errors in Electricity Distributor "Pass-Through" Variance Accounts After Disposition, October 31, 2019

for non-RPP customers, or within time-of-use or tiered rates for RPP customers). The OEB also agrees with OEB staff that this mechanism proposed by ORPC may potentially mitigate large credit DVA balances from being incurred by ORPC going forward.

However, the OEB is concerned with the continued discrepancies in ORPC's Excel Appendix K (as noted by OEB staff). The OEB orders ORPC to file a revised Excel Appendix K in its application for 2025 rates, after performing a detailed review of this spreadsheet and addressing the discrepancies noted by OEB staff.

The OEB is concerned that revisions may apply to ORPC's methodology set out in the Excel Appendix K (or to any DVA balances previously disposed on a final basis) and which may be proposed in a future proceeding. The OEB reminds ORPC that these revisions may be subject to the OEB's October 31, 2019 letter. The OEB's October 31, 2019 [letter](#) relates to Adjustments to Correct for Errors in Electricity "Pass-Through" Variance Accounts After Disposition.²⁹ Amongst other items, this letter states that an asymmetrical approach to the correction of any errors made by utilities may be appropriate.

²⁹ [OEB Letter](#), Adjustments to Correct for Errors in Electricity Distributor "Pass-Through" Variance Accounts After Disposition, October 31, 2019

10. IMPLEMENTATION

This Decision is accompanied by a Rate Generator Model, applicable supporting models, and a Tariff of Rates and Charges (Schedule A). The Rate Generator Model also incorporates the rates set out in Table 10.1.

Table 10.1: Regulatory Charges

Rate	per kWh
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP)	\$0.0014
Wholesale Market Service (WMS) billed to Class A and B Customers	\$0.0041
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 and WMS rates were set by the OEB on December 7, 2023.³⁰

The Smart Metering Entity Charge is a component of the “Distribution Charge” on a customer’s bill, established by the OEB through a separate order. The Smart Metering Entity Charge was set by the OEB at \$0.42 on September 8, 2022.³¹

In the *Report of the Board: Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy*,³² the OEB indicated that it will review the default province-wide microFIT charge annually to ensure it continues to reflect actual costs in accordance with the established methodology. On November 29, 2023, the OEB issued a letter advising electricity distributors that the monthly microFIT charge shall remain at \$4.55 for the duration of the 2024 rate year (May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025).³³

³⁰ EB-2023-0268, Decision and Order, December 7, 2023

³¹ EB-2022-0137, Decision and Order, September 8, 2022

³² EB-2010-0219, Report of the Board “Review of Electricity Distribution Cost Allocation Policy”, March 31, 2011

³³ OEB Letter, “Review of Fixed Monthly Charge for microFIT Generator Service Classification”, issued November 29, 2023

11. ORDER

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Ottawa River Power Corporation's new final distribution rates shall be effective May 1, 2024, in accordance with this Decision and Rate Order.
2. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out at Schedule A of this Decision and Rate Order is deemed draft until the following procedural steps have been complied with:
 - i. Ottawa River Power Corporation shall review the Tariff of Rates and Charges and shall file with the OEB, as applicable, a written confirmation of its completeness and accuracy, or provide a detailed explanation of any inaccuracies or missing information, by April 15, 2024.
 - ii. The Tariff of Rates and Charges will be considered final if Ottawa River Power Corporation does not provide a submission to the OEB that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2.i.
 - iii. If the OEB receives a submission from Ottawa River Power Corporation to the effect that inaccuracies were found or information was missing pursuant to item 2.i, the OEB will consider the submission and issue a final Rate Order.
3. Ottawa River Power Corporation shall notify its customers of the rate changes no later than the delivery of the first bill reflecting the new rates.
4. Ottawa River Power Corporation shall establish Account 1508, Other Regulatory Assets, Sub-Account Power Purchased True-Up, as set forth in Schedule B.

COST AWARDS

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

1. VECC shall submit to the OEB and copy Ottawa River Power Corporation its cost claims no later than April 15, 2024.
2. Ottawa River Power Corporation may file with the OEB and forward to VECC any objections to the claimed costs by April 25, 2024.
3. VECC may file with the OEB and forward to Ottawa River Power Corporation any responses to any objections for cost claims by May 2, 2024.

4. Ottawa River Power Corporation shall pay the OEB's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

Please quote file number, **EB-2023-0047** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Urooj Iqbal at Urooj.Iqbal@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at Ljuba.Djurdjevic@oeb.ca

Email: registrar@oeb.ca

Tel: 1-877-632-2727 (Toll free)

DATED at Toronto, April 9, 2024

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Nancy Marconi
Registrar

SCHEDULE A
DECISION AND RATE ORDER
OTTAWA RIVER POWER CORPORATION
TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES
EB-2023-0047
April 9, 2024

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to the supply of electrical energy to customers residing in residential dwelling units. Energy is generally supplied as single phase, 3-wire, 60-Hertz, having nominal voltage of 120/240 volts and up to 400 amps. There shall be only one delivery point to a dwelling. The Basic Connection for Residential consumers is defined as 100 amp 120/240 volt overhead service. A Residential building is supplied at one service voltage per land parcel. Depending upon the location of the building the supply voltage will be one of the following:

- 120/240 volts 1 phase 3 wire
- 120/208 volts 1 phase 3 wire
- 120/208 volts 3 phase 4 wire
- 347/600 volts 3 phase 4 wire

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	27.75
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2027	\$	0.42
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0040
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0133)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0029)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025	\$/kWh	0.0030
Rate Rider for Power Purchased True-Up - effective until April 30, 2025 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0070)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0089
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0075

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0014
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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- 120/240 volts 1 phase 3 wire
- 120/208 volts 1 phase 3 wire
- 120/208 volts 3 phase 4 wire
- 347/600 volts 3 phase 4 wire

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	25.76
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2027	\$	0.42
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0152
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0035
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0133)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0029)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025	\$/kWh	0.0030
Rate Rider for Power Purchased True-Up - effective until April 30, 2025 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0070)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0080
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0067

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0014
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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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 but less than 5,000kW. A General Service building is supplied at one service voltage per land parcel. Depending upon the location of the building the supply voltage will be one of the following:

- 120/240 volts 1 phase 3 wire
- 120/208 volts 3 phase 4 wire
- 347/600 volts 3 phase 4 wire

Depending upon 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:

- 7,200/12,400 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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If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, 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 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.

If included in the following listing of monthly rates and charges, the rate rider for the disposition of WMS - Sub-account CBR Class B is not applicable to wholesale market participants (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 Class B customers.

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge	\$	96.95
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	3.7105
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.3680
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0133)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kW	(0.9419)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025	\$/kW	1.1042
Rate Rider for Power Purchased True-Up - effective until April 30, 2025 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0070)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	3.3162
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.6825

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0014
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

This classification refers to privately owned roadway lighting controlled by photo cells. Consumption is based on calculated connected load times the required lighting hours. 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)	\$	4.06
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	12.5162
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0800
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0133)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kW	(1.0196)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025	\$/kW	1.1338
Rate Rider for Power Purchased True-Up - effective until April 30, 2025 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0070)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5134
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.1177

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0014
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION

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MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Delivery Component

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	2.77
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	15.1859
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.0577
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0133)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kW	(1.2030)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025	\$/kW	1.0961
Rate Rider for Power Purchased True-Up - effective until April 30, 2025 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0070)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5010
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	2.0740

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

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Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0014
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 average 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 the customer, based on detailed manufacturer information/ documentation with regard to electrical consumption of the unmetered load or periodic monitoring of actual consumption. 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 customer)	\$	26.67
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0090
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0035
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0133)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2024) - effective until April 30, 2028 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0028)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Global Adjustment Account (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025 Applicable only for Non-RPP Customers	\$/kWh	(0.0035)
Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts (2023) - effective until April 30, 2025	\$/kWh	0.0031
Rate Rider for Power Purchased True-Up - effective until April 30, 2025 - Approved on an Interim Basis	\$/kWh	(0.0070)
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0080
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0067

MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES - Regulatory Component

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0041
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0014
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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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	\$	4.55
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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**APPLICATION**

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Customer Administration

Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Account history	\$	15.00
Returned Cheque (plus bank charges)	\$	20.00
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)	\$	45.00

Non-Payment of Account

Late Payment - per month (effective annual rate 19.56% per annum or 0.04896% compounded daily rate)	%	1.50
Late payment - per annum	%	19.56
Collection of account charge - no disconnection	\$	30.00
Reconnection at meter - during regular hours	\$	65.00
Reconnection charge at meter - after hours	\$	185.00

Others

Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments)	\$	37.78
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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	\$	117.02
Monthly Fixed Charge, per retailer	\$	46.81
Monthly Variable Charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	1.16
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	0.69
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$/cust.	(0.69)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.59
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.16
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)	\$	4.68
Notice of switch letter charge, per letter (unless the distributor has opted out of applying the charge as per the Ontario Energy Board's Decision and Order EB-2015-0304, issued on February 14, 2019)	\$	2.34

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	1.0410
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0349

SCHEDULE B
OTTAWA RIVER POWER CORPORATION
ACCOUNTING ORDER
EB-2023-0047
April 9, 2024

ACCOUNTING ORDER – Purchased Power True-up Account (PPTA)

1. This account will record the difference between the amount of the GA credit given to customers through the Power Purchased True-Up (PPT) rate and the amount of the actual avoided GA.
2. For RPP customers, customer energy charges are recorded in USofA Accounts 4006 and 4010. For non-RPP customers GA and energy charges are recorded in USofA Accounts 4015, 4025, 4030 and 4035 based on the customer category. These energy charges are recorded as credit balances.
3. On a monthly basis, the customer portion of the GA savings (100%) is to be recorded by a debit to Accounts 4006, 4010, 4015, 4025, 4030 and 4035 to offset the cost of power and GA charges collected and a credit to USofA Account 1508 “Other Regulatory Assets” subaccount Power Purchased True-Up. (Entry #2)
4. On a monthly basis, ORPC will calculate the 50% of GA Savings to be paid to Brookfield and absorbed by ORPC’s customers and Debit 1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities - PPTA and Credit 4705 Power Purchased. (Entry #3). ORPC will track actual net GA savings and the amount credited to or recovered from ratepayers on a monthly basis.
5. On a monthly basis, ORPC will Debit 1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities – PPTA and Credit 1100 Accounts Receivable for the amount of the GA credit given to customers on their bill as calculated based on the Purchased Power True-up rate and customer energy consumption.
6. The net result is that the 1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities - PPTA account will record the variance between the Power Purchased True-Up credit given to customers (as calculated by using the forecast PPT rate), and customer’s 50% share actual avoided GA.
7. ORPC will also apply interest on the balance in this account at the prevailing OEB prescribed rate. Interest will be calculated based on the opening balance in the account on a monthly basis. This account will be USofA 1508 “Other Regulatory Assets”, sub-account Power Purchased True-Up, Carrying Charges. The offsetting entry will be recorded in USofA Account 4405 or 6035 depending on whether it is a utility expense or revenue.
8. The Power Purchased True-Up account will record the difference between the actual net GA savings and the amounts credited to or recovered from ratepayers. On an annual basis the PPTA rate will be updated to correct for any under or over GA credit given to customers. This updated rate will be brought forward for approval as part of the annual rate setting process.
9. The account will be used for the duration of ORPC’s contract with Evolgen (i.e. Brookfield) and until the date of any applicable modifications to the *Electricity Act, 1998*.
10. The effective date of this account is July 1, 2023.
11. The following are the proposed accounting entries for this variance account:

Dr. 4705 Power Purchased	xxxxxxx		
Cr. 2205 Accounts Payable		xxxxxxx	
- to give Brookfield 50% of actual GA Savings			
Dr. 4006/4010/4015/ Energy Sales – GA Sub-accounts		yyyyyyy	
4025/4030/4035/			
Cr. 1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities – PPTA			yyyyyyy
- to give ORPC customers 100% of actual GA savings			
Dr. 1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities – PPTA	xxxxxxx		
Cr. 4705 Power Purchased		xxxxxxx	
- to transfer additional Cost of Power to Account 1508			
Dr. 1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities – PPTA	zzzzzzz		
Cr. 1100 Accounts Receivable		zzzzzzz	
- to record the GA credit given to customers based on the PPT rate			
Dr./Cr.1508 Other Regulatory Assets/Liabilities – PPTA,			
sub-account Carrying Charges	aaaaaaa		
Dr./Cr. 6035 Other Interest Expense or 4405 Interest Income			aaaaaaa
- to record interest on 1508 – PPTA account balance			