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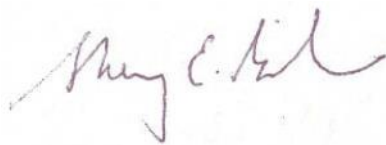
Dear Ms. Marconi,

**Re: Kingston Hydro Corporation _Electricity Distribution License ED-2003-0057
2025 IRM (EB-2024-0037) _Responses to OEB Staff Questions**

Attached please find complete responses to OEB staff questions received October 1, 2024, with respect to Kingston Hydro Corporation's 2025 IRM distribution rate application (EB-2024-0037) filed August 13, 2024, for electricity distribution rates effective January 1, 2025.

Kingston Hydro's responses are being filed through the OEB's online RESS filing system.

Yours truly,



Sherry Gibson
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**Kingston Hydro Corporation
 Responses to OEB Staff Questions
 2025 IRM Rate Application
 EB-2024-0037**

OEB Staff Question - 1

Ref: 2025 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tabs 11, 15 and 20

On June 27, 2024, the OEB issued a Decision and Rate Order regarding 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs).¹ Any further updates will be reflected in the final Rate Generator Model.

OEB staff has updated Kingston Hydro’s Rate Generator Model with the 2024 UTRs for the 2025 year.

Uniform Transmission Rates	Unit	2023		2024		2025	
		Jan to Jun	Jul to Dec	Jan to Jun	Jul to Dec		
Rate Description		Rate		Rate		Rate	
Network Service Rate	kW	\$ 5.60	\$ 5.37	\$ 5.78	\$ 6.12	\$ 6.12	
Line Connection Service Rate	kW	\$ 0.92	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.95	\$ 0.95	\$ 0.95	
Transformation Connection Service Rate	kW	\$ 3.10	\$ 2.98	\$ 3.21	\$ 3.21	\$ 3.21	

Question: Please confirm the accuracy of the Rate Generator Model following this update.

Kingston Hydro Response Staff Question 1: Kingston Hydro has confirmed the accuracy of the Rate Generator update of the 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs) within the 2025 IRM Application EB 2024-0037 live Excel model. Kingston Hydro has selected the “Update” function within Tab 21 (Bill Impacts) to populate the updates to the Uniform Transmission Rates on Tab 21 (Bill Impacts).

¹ EB-2024-0183, Decision and Rate Order, June 27, 2024

OEB Staff Question - 2

Ref: 2025 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tab 3, Continuity Schedule

On July 26, 2024, the OEB published the 2024 Quarter 4 prescribed accounting interest rates applicable to the carrying charges of deferral, variance and construction work in progress (CWIP) accounts of natural gas utilities, electricity distributors and other rate-regulated entities.

Question: Please ensure Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) is updated as necessary to reflect the Q4 2024 OEB-prescribed interest rate of 4.40%.

Kingston Hydro Response Staff Question 2: Kingston Hydro has updated Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) within the 2025 IRM Application EB-2024-0037 live Excel model to reflect the Q4 2024 prescribed interest rate of 4.40%.

OEB Staff Question - 3

Ref: Rate Generator Model, Tab 9, Shared Tax-Rate Rider

Applicants are required to input data from the last OEB-approved cost of service application in Tab 9 of the Rate Generator Model.

Question: Please complete the required fields in Tab 9 of the Rate Generator Model as shown below:

Rate Class		Re-based Billed Customers or Connections	Re-based Billed kWh	Re-based Billed kW	Re-based Service Charge	Re-based Distribution Volumetric Rate kWh	Re-based Distribution Volumetric Rate kW
RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh						
GENERAL SERVICE LESS THAN 50 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh						
GENERAL SERVICE 50 to 4,999 KW SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW						
LARGE USE SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW						
UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kWh						
STANDBY POWER SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW						
STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION	kW						
Total		0	0	0			

Kingston Hydro Response Staff Question 3: Kingston Hydro’s 2023 Cost of Service Decision included a smoothing provision such that no shared tax-rate riders would be required for the the phasing out of the Accelerated Investment Incentive program (AIIP), see page 3 of the Decision and Order dated November 22, 2022 for EB-2022-0044. However, as requested, Kingston Hydro has updated Tab 9, Shared Tax-Rate Rider, within the 2025 IRM Application EB-2024-0037 live Excel model to reflect the data from the OEB approved Cost of Service rate application EB-2022-044. Although this data has been inputted into the fields on Tab 9 in the 2025 IRM Application EB-2024-0037 live Excel model, as outlined above, Kingston Hydro is not subject to a shared tax rate rider for its 2025 IRM application.