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## To: All Electricity Distributors All Intervenors in 2024 Electricity Distributor Cost of Service Proceedings

## Re: Review of Fixed Monthly Charge for microFIT Generator Service Classification

The Ontario Energy Board is issuing this letter to advise electricity distributors that the fixed microFIT Generator Service Classification charge (microFIT charge) shall be increased to \$5.00 for the 2025 rate year.

As part of the proceeding to determine and implement a distribution rate for embedded generators having a nameplate capacity of 10 kW or less<sup>1</sup>, the OEB established the province-wide microFit charge and indicated that the default charge would be reviewed annually to ensure it continues to reflect actual costs.

As part of its annual review of the microFIT charge for 2025, OEB staff has, in accordance with the established methodology, updated the microFIT-related costs for those electricity distributors that had an OEB-approved cost of service application in the previous year. The resulting calculation supports that an update to \$5.00 is appropriate.

The OEB reminds distributors that they may request a distributor-specific microFIT 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 lead to a materially different charge than the province-wide charge.

Distributors are directed to communicate the updated \$5.00 monthly microFIT charge to their affected customers at the earliest opportunity unless they have been approved for a different charge.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EB-2009-0326, <u>Decision and Order</u>, February 23, 2010; EB-2009-0326, <u>Rate Order</u>, March 17, 2010

Distributors that have been approved for a rate that is based on the previously approved \$4.55 province-wide charge should include a proposal to update the calculated rate based on the updated province-wide charge of \$5.00 in their current rate applications.

Yours truly,

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