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## **FINAL RATE ORDER**

**EB-2019-0034**

### **ESSEX POWERLINES CORPORATION**

**Final Rate Order for rates and other charges effective May 1, 2020 and implemented November 1, 2020**

**By Delegation, Before: Theodore Antonopoulos**

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**October 8, 2020**

## INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

In its Decision and Rate Order in this proceeding, issued April 16, 2020, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approved new electricity distribution rates for Essex Powerlines Corporation (Essex Powerlines), with an effective date of May 1, 2020. In consideration of the COVID-19 emergency, the Decision and Rate Order also granted Essex Powerlines the option to postpone implementation of its new rates, and to track temporarily forgone revenue in a deferral and variance account.

Through this Final Rate Order, the OEB authorizes Essex Powerlines to implement its new rates on November 1, 2020, including a rate rider for the recovery of forgone revenue resulting from postponing rate implementation in response to COVID-19. The rider, entitled Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation, will be effective until April 30, 2021.

As a result of the OEB's findings in this order, there will be a monthly total bill increase of \$3.76, before taxes and the Ontario Electricity Rebate, for a residential customer consuming 750 kWh, effective November 1, 2020.

## THE PROCESS

Essex Powerlines filed an Incentive Rate-setting Mechanism (IRM) application with the OEB on October 11, 2019, seeking approval for changes to its electricity distribution rates.

On April 16, 2020, the OEB issued its Decision and Rate Order approving Essex Powerlines' new rates, with an effective date of May 1, 2020. However, in light of the uncertainty regarding the severity and duration of the COVID-19 emergency, the Decision and Rate Order also granted Essex Powerlines the option to postpone implementation of its new rates and to track temporarily forgone revenue in Account 1509, Impacts Arising from the COVID-19 Emergency, Sub-account Lost Revenues.

On April 17, 2020, the OEB issued [initial implementation guidance](#) to all distributors who had been authorized to postpone implementation of their 2020 rates. The OEB advised that distribution revenue associated with the postponement of the implementation should be tracked separately, by customer class, within Account 1509 - Impacts Arising from the COVID-19 Emergency, Sub-account Lost Revenues, and may include the following components, as applicable:

- impacts arising from the postponement of changes to monthly fixed service charges and variable distribution charges
- forgone distribution revenue due to the postponement of the implementation of an approved Incremental Capital Module
- impacts arising from the postponement of the change in the microFIT monthly fixed service charge

On April 22, 2020, Essex Powerlines filed a letter with the OEB, advising that the utility had elected to postpone the implementation of its new rates.

On August 6, 2020, the OEB issued an [Accounting Order](#), a COVID-19 Forgone Revenue Rate Rider Model, and associated filing instructions and account guidance for those utilities that wished to seek recovery of forgone revenue, the implementation of their 2020 rate increase, or both. In the Accounting Order, the OEB established a new sub-account under the Impacts Arising from the COVID-19 Emergency Account, called the Forgone Revenues from Postponing Rate Implementation sub-Account. The OEB advised that this new sub-account was to be used to record forgone revenues due to the postponement of rate implementation as a result of the COVID-19 emergency. The OEB further explained that any utility that had already recorded forgone revenue amounts due to postponing rate implementation in the Lost Revenues sub-account was to transfer these amounts to the Forgone Revenues from Postponing Rate Implementation sub-account.

The OEB required utilities that wished to seek recovery of forgone revenue, the increase to their 2020 base rates or both, to provide their calculations for the forgone revenue rate rider (if applicable) and tariff of rates and charges as part of the COVID-19 Forgone Revenue Rate Rider model by September 15, 2020.

## COVID-19 FORGONE REVENUE RECOVERY

Essex Powerlines seeks authorization to implement its new rates on November 1, 2020, to recover forgone distribution revenue in the amount of \$119,677 over a twelve-month period, to provide a one-time payment to its microFIT rate class customers, and to extend the collection period of its Account 1584 and 1586 balances to three years.

In support of its requests, and in accordance with the OEB's prior instructions in this proceeding, Essex Powerlines filed its COVID-19 Forgone Revenue Rate Rider Model (which also calculates class-specific rate riders), on September 15, 2020. An updated model was filed by Essex Powerlines on October 5, 2020, with an accompanying letter, requesting that the recovery period for Essex Powerlines' Account 1584 and 1586 balances be amended from the previously approved two years to a revised term of three years. The letter also requested that the recovery period for forgone revenue be revised from six months to twelve months. The above changes would, if approved, result in lower bill impacts to residential customers for rates implemented on November 1, 2020. The letter further clarified that the disposition period of the Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account had been updated to remain consistent with the disposition period (November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021) approved in the Decision and Rate Order dated April 16, 2020.

## FINDINGS

The OEB has reviewed Essex Powerlines' requests for implementation of 2020 distribution rates, recovery of COVID-19 forgone revenue, and provision of a one-time credit to its microFIT rate class customers, as well as the revised Tariff of Rates and Charges, and is satisfied that they accurately reflect the Decision and Rate Order issued on April 16, 2020. The OEB has further reviewed Essex Powerlines' request for amending the collection period of its Group 1 deferral and variance account balances, and is satisfied that the requested revision is in the best interest of its customers at this time.

**THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Tariff of Rates and Charges set out in Schedule A of this Final Rate Order is approved effective May 1, 2020 and is to be implemented November 1, 2020. The Tariff of Rates and Charges will apply to electricity consumed, or estimated to have been consumed, on and after November 1, 2020. Essex Powerlines 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, October 8, 2020

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

*Original Signed By*

Christine E. Long  
Registrar

**Schedule A**  
**To Final Rate Order**  
**Tariff of Rates and Charges**  
**OEB File No: EB-2019-0034**  
**DATED: October 8, 2020**

# Essex Powerlines Corporation

## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

**Effective May 1, 2020**

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### **RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification refers to an account taking electricity at 750 volts or less where the electricity is used exclusively in a separately metered living accommodation. Customers shall be residing in single-dwelling units that consist of a detached house or one unit of a semi-detached, duplex, triplex or quadruplex house, with a residential zoning. Separately metered dwellings within a town house complex or apartments building also qualify as residential customers. 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.

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

Service Charge	\$	27.22
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	0.24
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Stranded Meter Assets (2018) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$	1.20
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0035
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0005
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0019
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0073
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0051

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
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 a non residential 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. 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	\$	36.69
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	0.33
Smart Metering Entity Charge - effective until December 31, 2022	\$	0.57
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Stranded Meter Assets (2018) - effective until April 30, 2021	\$	1.20
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0125
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0001
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0011
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0017
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0050

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
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 a non residential account whose monthly average peak demand is equal to or greater than, or is forecast to be equal to or greater than, 50 kW but less than 5,000 kW. 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.

#### **APPLICATION**

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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.

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 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.

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

Service Charge	\$	240.19
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	2.18
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	2.3227
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	1.4462
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kW	0.0217
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kW	0.0570
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.6459
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - Interval Metered - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.8913
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	2.5940
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9979
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	3.1954
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate - Interval Metered	\$/kW	2.2154

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### **EMBEDDED DISTRIBUTOR SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification applies to an electricity distributor licensed by the Ontario Energy Board that is provided with electricity by means of this distributor's facilities. Further servicing details are available in the distributor's Conditions of Service.

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

Service Charge	\$	567.74
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	5.16
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	1.2568
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kW	0.0115

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### **UNMETERED SCATTERED LOAD SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

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

Service Charge (per connection)	\$	9.10
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	0.08
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kWh	0.0283
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0034
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kWh	0.0003
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kWh	0.0017
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0062
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kWh	0.0050

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### **SENTINEL LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification refers to accounts that are an unmetered lighting load supplied to a sentinel light. 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)	\$	3.23
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	0.03
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	9.2668
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.9942
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kW	0.0842
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kW	1.0029
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9971
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5229

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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### **STREET LIGHTING SERVICE CLASSIFICATION**

This classification refers 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)	\$	3.37
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$	0.03
Distribution Volumetric Rate	\$/kW	9.1520
Low Voltage Service Rate	\$/kW	0.9877
Rate Rider for Recovery of COVID-19 Forgone Revenue from Postponing Rate Implementation - effective from November 1, 2020 and effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kW	0.0831
Rate Rider for Disposition of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism Variance Account (LRAMVA) (2020) - effective until October 31, 2021	\$/kW	0.5476
Rate Rider for the Disposition of Accounts 1584 & 1586 - effective until October 31, 2023	\$/kW	0.7499
Retail Transmission Rate - Network Service Rate	\$/kW	1.9691
Retail Transmission Rate - Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$/kW	1.5131

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

Wholesale Market Service Rate (WMS) - not including CBR	\$/kWh	0.0030
Capacity Based Recovery (CBR) - Applicable for Class B Customers	\$/kWh	0.0004
Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection Charge (RRRP)	\$/kWh	0.0005
Standard Supply Service - Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$	0.25

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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**

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 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.

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 Global Adjustment and the HST.

#### **Customer Administration**

Arrears certificate	\$	15.00
Statement of account	\$	15.00
Duplicate invoices for previous billing	\$	15.00
Request for other billing information	\$	15.00
Easement letter	\$	15.00
Income tax letter	\$	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
Special meter reads	\$	30.00
Meter dispute charge plus Measurement Canada fees (if meter found correct)	\$	30.00

#### **Non-Payment of Account**

Late Payment – per month (effective annual rate 19.56% per annum or 0.04896% compounded daily rate)	%	1.50
Reconnection at meter - during regular hours	\$	65.00
Reconnection at meter - after regular hours	\$	185.00
Reconnection at pole - during regular hours	\$	185.00
Reconnection at pole - after regular hours	\$	415.00

#### **Other**

Service call - customer owned equipment	\$	30.00
Service call - after regular hours	\$	165.00
Temporary service install & remove - overhead - no transformer	\$	500.00
Temporary service install & remove - underground - no transformer	\$	300.00
Temporary service install & remove - overhead - with transformer	\$	1,000.00
Specific charge for access to the power poles - \$/pole/year (with the exception of wireless attachments) - in effect from January 1, 2019	\$	44.50

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## TARIFF OF RATES AND CHARGES

**Effective May 1, 2020**

**Amended to Reflect the Implementation Date of November 1, 2020  
(unless indicated otherwise)**

**This schedule supersedes and replaces all previously  
approved schedules of Rates, Charges and Loss Factors**

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### **RETAIL SERVICE CHARGES (if applicable)**

#### **APPLICATION**

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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.

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 Global Adjustment and the HST.

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	\$	102.00
Monthly fixed charge, per retailer	\$	40.80
Monthly variable charge, per customer, per retailer	\$	1.02
Distributor-consolidated billing monthly charge, per customer, per retailer	\$	0.61
Retailer-consolidated billing monthly credit, per customer, per retailer	\$	(0.61)
Service Transaction Requests (STR)		
Request fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	0.51
Processing fee, per request, applied to the requesting party	\$	1.02
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)	\$	4.08
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)	\$	2.04

### **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	1.0355
Total Loss Factor - Primary Metered Customer < 5,000 kW	1.0251