

# ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF MILTON HYDRO DISTRIBUTION INC.

**Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. applied to raise its electricity distribution rates effective May 1, 2018.  
Learn more. Have your say.**

Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. applied to the Ontario Energy Board to raise its electricity distribution rates effective May 1, 2018. If the application is approved, a typical residential customer of Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. would see an increase of approximately \$0.22 per month. Other customers, including businesses, may also be affected.

The requested rate increase is set using an OEB-approved formula which is tied to inflation and other factors intended to promote efficiency.

Milton Hydro Distribution Inc. also requested for approval of class specific standby charges for specific classes of customers that install load displacement generation and require the utility to provide reserve capacity to back up their facilities when the load displacement generation is not available.

## THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Milton Hydro's request. We will determine whether the company has used the applicable models and formulas required by the OEB and whether to approve Milton Hydro's request for approval of class specific standby charges for customers installing load displacement generation. We will also hear questions and arguments from individual customers and from groups that represent Milton Hydro's customers. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide what, if any, rate increase will be allowed and whether to approve the standby charges.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

## BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review Milton Hydro's application on the OEB's website now.
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
- You can become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by January 12, 2018 or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

The OEB intends to consider cost awards in this proceeding that are in accordance with the *Practice Direction on Cost Awards* and only in relation to Milton Hydro's proposed request for approval of class specific standby charges for customers installing load displacement generation.

## LEARN MORE

These proposed charges relate to Milton Hydro's distribution services. They make up part of the Delivery line - one of the five line items on your bill. Our file number for this case is **EB-2017-0061**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please enter the file number **EB-2017-0061** on the OEB website: [www.oeb.ca/participate](http://www.oeb.ca/participate). You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

## ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The OEB intends to proceed by way of a written hearing in this case. The OEB will determine at a later date whether to proceed by way of a written or oral hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by January 12, 2018.

## PRIVACY

*If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.*

*This rate hearing will be held under section 78 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B).*

