

CONFIDENTIAL DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION – NOT TO BE FURTHER FORWARDED – DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR AN ONTARIO REGULATION

made under the

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ACT, 1998

Amending O. Reg. 314/15

(ONTARIO ELECTRICITY SUPPORT PROGRAM)

1. The definition of “household income” in subsection 1 (1) of Ontario Regulation 314/15 is amended by striking out “aged 16 or over” and substituting “aged 18 or over”.

2. Section 1 of the Regulation is amended by adding the following subsection:

(3) Despite subsection (1), when applications are processed pursuant to an agreement with the Minister of Community and Social Services under section 79.2.1 of the Act on behalf of account-holders who are recipients of income support under the *Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997* or applicants who satisfy the requirements set out in clauses 5 (1) (b) to (e) of the *Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997*,

“household” has the same meaning as “benefit unit” in the *Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997*;

“household income” means the combined annual after-tax income of all members of a benefit unit under the *Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997* aged 18 or over.

(4) Despite subsection (1), when applications are processed pursuant to an agreement with the Minister of Community and Social Services under section 79.2.1 of the Act on behalf of an account-holder who is a recipient of, or eligible for, basic financial assistance under the *Ontario Works Act, 1997*, or who is a member of a recipient’s benefit unit, as defined in that Act,

“household” has the same meaning as “benefit unit” in the *Ontario Works Act, 1997*.

“household income” means the combined annual after-tax income of all members of a benefit unit under the *Ontario Works Act, 1997* aged 18 or over.

3. (1) Paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Regulation is amended by adding the following subparagraph:

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- iii. If the applications are processed pursuant to an agreement with the Minister of Community and Social Services under section 79.2.1 of the Act, account-holders living in any size household where the household income exceeds the amounts specified for that household size in any other part of this Schedule.

(2) Paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Regulation is amended by adding the following subparagraph:

- iv. If the applications are processed pursuant to an agreement with the Minister of Community and Social Services under section 79.2.1 of the Act, account-holders living in a household of one person where the household income is between \$28,001 and \$39,000.

(3) Subparagraphs 5 ii, 7 ii, 9 ii, 10 iii, 11 ii, 12 ii, and 13 ii are amended by striking out “account-holder’s household is an Indigenous person” wherever it appears and substituting in each case “account holder’s family living within the household is an Indigenous person”.

Commencement

- 4. This Regulation comes into force on the later of July 1, 2017 and the day it is filed.**