

Toronto Hydro – Minister’s Meeting Notes – Monday March 26th, 2018

Regulatory

- Toronto Hydro is currently operating under an approved Cost-of-Service application covering the period 2015-2019. Toronto Hydro receives annual inflationary/productivity adjustments to these rates, most recently effective January 1, 2018.
- Toronto Hydro’s next Cost-of-Service application will be for rates starting in 2020. As the Cost-of-Service application review is an extensive process, Toronto Hydro expects to file this application in either late 2018 or early 2019.
- As the inflationary limitation of Ontario’s Fair Hydro Plan is based on a proxy Toronto Hydro customer, any proposed rate increases contained in the 2020 application will have province-wide implications as Fair Hydro Plan modelling will have to be updated to reflect Toronto Hydro’s new rates.

EVs

- The 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) committed the government to exploring options to provide electricity distributors with more options to integrate EVs into their networks at the lowest cost, including working with the OEB to facilitate investments in technologies such as residential smart chargers.
- In their implementation plan, the OEB has committed to work with stakeholders. As part of this commitment, the OEB will undertake a review to identify and better understand the challenges of EV residential charging for both EV owners and distributors. This includes further analysis and jurisdictional research to inform the development of regulatory approaches that will facilitate the development of the distribution network to cost effectively integrate residential EV charging.
- Toronto Hydro may raise the issue of on-street EV chargers. Many Toronto residents without driveways or garages are issued permits to park on the street overnight.
- Toronto Hydro may be encouraged to participate in the OEB’s LTEP implementation plan consultation processes to communicate these unique challenges to the OEB.