

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

ELECTRICITY: This is the cost of electricity supplied to you during this billing period and is the part of the bill that is subject to competition. The electricity consumed is multiplied by the adjustment factor.* Halton Hills Hydro collects this money and pays this amount directly to our suppliers.

*When electricity is delivered over a power line, it is normal for a small amount of power to be consumed or lost as heat. Equipment, such as wires and transformers, consumes power before it gets to your home or business. The adjustment factor accounts for these losses.

DELIVERY: These are the costs of delivering electricity from generating stations across the Province to Halton Hills Hydro and then to your home or business. This includes the costs to build and maintain the transmission and distribution lines, towers and poles and operate provincial and local electricity systems.

A portion of these charges are fixed and do not change from month to month. The rest are variable and increase or decrease depending on the amount of electricity that you use.

REGULATORY CHARGES: Regulatory charges are the costs of administering the wholesale electricity system and maintaining the reliability of the provincial grid.

DEBT RETIREMENT CHARGE: The debt retirement charge pays down the former Ontario Hydro debt.

PROVINCIAL BENEFIT: The price of generation in Ontario is set by a competitive market. Certain generators receive payments through regulation or contract that differ from the market price. Your portion of the net adjustment arising from these different payments is included on your bill.

RPP SETTLEMENT: The difference between the true cost of power and the Regulated Price Plan.

OPG REBATE: The Ontario Government placed a cap on the amount paid to certain generation facilities owned by Ontario Power Generation (OPG). Your portion of the net adjustment arising from this cap is included in your bill.