

Effective January 1, 2016, the Government of Ontario is removing the Debt Retirement Charge (DRC) from certain residential electricity consumers' bills. Bulk metered multi-unit residential buildings are also eligible for a DRC exemption of up to 1,500 kWh per month per eligible residential unit.

In order to receive the DRC exemption, clients with an eligible bulk metered multi-residential building must notify their local distribution company (LDC). For information about the DRC exemption, visit enercare.ca/RegulatoryChanges. To assist clients, **Enercare will be managing the submission process on the client's behalf; however, clients must fully complete the DRC Self Declaration form as Enercare is not authorized to sign the form.**

Submitting Your Form to Enercare

Enercare requests for completed DRC Self Declaration forms to be submitted by November 15, 2015 in order to allow adequate time for review by Enercare and submission to the LDC. Provided that properly completed and executed forms are submitted to the LDC in advance of January 1, 2016, bulk bills should reflect the DRC exemption effective January 1, 2016.

Email: client.care@enercare.ca
Subject: DRC Self Declaration Form

Mail: Enercare Connections
Attention: Client Care – DRC Self Declaration,
4000 Victoria Park Avenue, Toronto, ON M2H 3P4

Important Information

Forms that are submitted directly to the LDC, instead of to Enercare, cannot be tracked by Enercare. By submitting your form to us, DRC related billing discrepancies will be mitigated. Please notify us at client.care@enercare.ca if you have submitted a form directly to the LDC.

Have a question?

Contact your Client Manager or client.care@enercare.ca.

SELF DECLARATION FORM

Debt Retirement Charge Exemption for Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Residential Premises

Residential-Rate Class Accounts

As part of its commitment to reduce electricity cost pressures, the Government of Ontario is removing the **Debt Retirement Charge (DRC)** from residential electricity users' bills after December 31, 2015. The DRC exemption will save a typical residential electricity user about \$70 each year, and will end the DRC earlier for these users than otherwise provided for in the *Electricity Act, 1998*.

Effective **January 1, 2016**, customers that have a residential-rate class account as specified in a rate order made by the Ontario Energy Board, you are automatically exempt from the requirement to pay the DRC on all consumption incurred after December 31, 2015.

General Service-Rate Class Accounts That Provide Electricity to Eligible Residential Units

If you have a general service-rate class account and are the **owner of a Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Premises with at least one Eligible Residential Unit** you may also be exempt, in whole or in part, from the requirement to pay the DRC. Owners of such Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Premises need to provide notice by completing this form in order to obtain this exemption.

The exemption is available for electricity consumed after December 31, 2015, but the start of your exemption will depend on when we receive your notice. To ensure that you get this exemption beginning January 1, 2016, we must receive your notice before January 1, 2016. If we receive your notice on or after January 1, 2016, your exemption will begin:

- On the first day of the billing period in which the notice is received (but not before January 1, 2016), OR
- The first day of the next billing period, if the notice was received within 10 days of the end of the billing period.

The exemption is not available for billing periods before the billing period in which the notice is received. You must promptly send us a revised notice if the number of eligible residential units included in your account changes.

For more information on the DRC, please visit the Ontario Ministry of Finance's website at:
<http://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/tax/drc/>

STEP ONE – Does your Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Premises qualify for a DRC exemption under the *Electricity Act, 1998*?

Your Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Premises are eligible for an exemption, in whole or in part, from the requirement to pay the DRC provided it contains at least one Eligible Residential Unit. According to Ontario Regulation 493/01 made under the *Electricity Act, 1998*, an Eligible Residential Unit means a unit that:

- a) is a self-contained set of rooms located in a building or structure,
- b) contains kitchen and bathroom facilities that are intended for the use of that unit only, **AND**
- c) is used or intended for use as a residential premises.

Your Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Premises may be eligible for a DRC exemption on Eligible Residential Units for up to 1,500 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of monthly consumption multiplied by the number of Eligible Residential Units stated in the declaration form below.

STEP TWO – Fill in this form:

If your account meets the criteria in Step One above, please complete the remainder of the form below. **If you have more than one qualified account, please fill out a separate form for each account that is metered or billed separately.**

Hydro One Brampton Account Number	Account Name	Account Service Address	Number of Eligible Residential Units

By self-declaring and signing below, you are declaring that the following individuals have authority to provide and certify the accuracy of the information on this form and any additional attachments. **Please read the following and complete the applicable section below.**

Obligation to repay Hydro One Brampton

I certify that the information provided in this self-declaration is true. I acknowledge that it is an offence to make a false or deceptive statement in a document submitted under Part V.I (Debt Retirement Charge) of the *Electricity Act, 1998*. If it is determined that the consumer or account for which this self-declaration is made was not eligible, that I and/or the customer named on this self-declaration may be responsible to repay amounts received, as well as cover Hydro One Brampton's losses regarding same, to the extent that such losses result from information provided on this self-declaration.

Obligation to notify Hydro One Brampton of changes to eligibility

I further certify and acknowledge that the information contained in the notice is complete and accurate, and should the consumer or account named on this self-declaration cease to be eligible at any time or otherwise experience a change in eligibility status or basis for eligibility (such as the number of Eligible Residential Units within the Bulk Metered Multi-Unit Premises), that I will notify Hydro One Brampton of such change(s) immediately.

Collection and use of information

I acknowledge that all information submitted in this process may be used by Hydro One Brampton in support of its obligations under the *Electricity Act, 1998* and the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, applicable Ontario Energy Board Codes and Rules, associated policies, standards and procedures and its electricity distribution license. I consent to Hydro One Brampton using the information collected on this form for the purposes of applying an exemption, in whole or in part, to the requirement to pay DRC on all consumption incurred after December 31, 2015.

Corporation/Sole Proprietor /Partnership Name:	Name & Office of Authorized Officer/Applicant/Partner:	I certify the above information to be true, correct and complete. Signature of Authorized Officer/Applicant/Partner:	Date:

If you have any questions about this information collection, the ways in which your personal information may be used by Hydro One Brampton, or would like further information about Hydro One Brampton's privacy policy, you can access our Privacy Policy on our website at www.HydroOneBrampton.com or you can call us at (905) 840-6300 to request a copy of this policy. We are committed to protecting your privacy and would like to take this opportunity to inform you about the personal information we collect, how it is used, how we protect your confidentiality and your rights with respect to this information.

STEP THREE – Return the completed form to:

Mailing Address: 175 Sandalwood Parkway West, Brampton, Ontario L7A 1E8

Fax Number: (905) 452-5537

Email Address: cservice@HydroOneBrampton.com