

SENIOR CONSULTANT

Andrew Blair has ten years of experience as a research analyst and consultant in electricity and gas utility price regulation. He regularly prepares load forecasts for electricity and natural gas utility cost of service applications in Ontario and provides cost allocation and rate design support to utilities across Canada.

Andrew regularly prepares models, reports, and other written evidence for utility public application filings. He has appeared before the New Brunswick Energy & Utilities Board as New Brunswick Power's cost allocation subject matter expert in annual general rate applications and has appeared before the Ontario Energy Board as a witness for distributor load forecasting and on an expert panel on transmission cost allocation. Andrew has created and developed cost allocation and rate design models, including for Monserrat Utilities and Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator. He is an instructor in MEARIE's Regulatory Specialist Certificate program in the area of load forecasting, cost allocation, and rate design. He previously worked for the Ontario provincial government over a seven-year period as a trust analyst and a trust accountant. Andrew has a Master's Degree in Economics from Carleton University and a Bachelor's Degree in Economics and Financial Management from Wilfrid Laurier University.

PROFESSIONAL OVERVIEW

Elenchus Research Associates
Senior Consultant

January 2016 - Present

- Prepare load forecasts for electricity and natural gas utilities
- Design and prepare cost allocation and rate design models and evidence
- Research regulatory filings and common practices across jurisdictions and regulators
- Provide research and modeling support for economic feasibility studies
- Prepare evidence, interrogatories, cross-examination, and submissions for regulatory hearings

**Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee
Trust Analyst**

**May 2012 – June 2013
Summers 2010 & 2011**

- Designed estate allocation and payment disbursement system
- Summarized and analyzed aggregate account information
- Allocated interest and fees to close out accounts
- Researched Public Guardian clients' files and family histories to determine estate beneficiaries
- Located beneficiaries and distributed estates

EDUCATION

June 2014	Master of Arts, Economics, Carleton University
June 2012	Bachelor of Arts, Economics and Financial Management, Wilfrid Laurier University

REGULATORY/LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Before the Ontario Energy Board

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| 2025 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Burlington Hydro 2025 Cost of Service Application (with Power Advisory)
(Company evidence: load forecast, support on cost allocation and rate design)• Oshawa Power 2025 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, support on cost allocation and rate design) |
| 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Essex Powerlines 2025 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)• Greater Sudbury Hydro 2025 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design) |
| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Synergy North, 2024 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, rate harmonization, and rate design) |
| 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hydro One Networks, 2023-2027 Joint Distribution and Transmission Rates
(Evidence: Export Transmission Service Rate Cost Allocation Methodology)• Independent Electricity System Operator, 2022 Usage Fee
(Evidence: IESO Cost Allocation Methodology Review)• Utilities Kingston, 2023 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)• Bluewater Power, 2023 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: LRAMVA, load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)• EPCOR Electricity Distribution Ontario, 2023 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)• Milton Hydro, 2023 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design) |
| 2021 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grimsby Power Inc., 2022 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)• E.L.K. Energy, 2022 Cost of Service Application
(Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design) |

- 2020
 - Hydro Ottawa, 2021-2026 Custom IR Application (Company evidence: cost allocation and rate design)
 - Lakeshore Communities, LTC and Phase II Applications for new natural gas utility
 - Halton Hills Hydro, 2021 Cost of Service Application (Company evidence: lost revenue adjustment mechanism variance account; assistance with load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)
- 2019
 - Burlington Hydro, 2021 Cost of Service Application (Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)
 - Greater Sudbury Hydro, Cost of Service Application (Company evidence: lost revenue adjustment mechanism variance account, load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)
- 2017
 - Erie Thames Powerlines, 2018 Cost of Service Application (Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)
 - Essex Powerlines, 2018 Cost of Service Application (Company evidence: load forecast, cost allocation, and rate design)

Before the New Brunswick Energy and Utilities Board

- 2024
 - New Brunswick Power, 2023-24 & 2024-25 General Rate Application (Evidence: Overview Report on NB Power's Proposed Regulatory Accounts)
 - New Brunswick Power, 2024 Cost Allocation Methodology Proceeding (Evidence: CCAS Generation Classification and Allocation Methodology Options)
- 2022
 - New Brunswick Power, Rate Design Review (Evidence: NB Power's Cost Allocation for Street Light & Unmetered Service)
- 2019
 - New Brunswick Power, 2020-21 General Rate Application (Company evidence: cost allocation)
- 2018
 - New Brunswick Power, 2019-20 General Rate Application (Evidence: New Brunswick Power Class Cost Allocation Study Update for the 2019-20 GRA. Company evidence: cost allocation)
- 2017
 - New Brunswick Power, 2018-19 General Rate Application (Evidence: New Brunswick Power Class Cost Allocation Study Update for the 2018-19 GRA. Company evidence: cost allocation)

Non-Hearing Processes

- 2023
 - Ontario Energy Board, Electric Delivery Rates for Electric Vehicle Charging (with Power Advisory)
 - SaskPower, Review of SaskPower Cost Allocation and Rate Design Methodologies
- 2020
 - EfficiencyOne, Rate and Bill Impact Analysis of DSM Programs
- 2019
 - Montserrat Utilities Ltd., Cost of Service and Tariff Study led by HATCH