

Docket UE21404 Order UE08-02

IN THE MATTER of an application by

Maritime Electric Company, Limited for approval of a Demand Side Management Plan, Phase III.

BEFORE THE COMMISSION

on Thursday, the 21st day of February, 2008.

Maurice Rodgerson, Chair John Broderick, Commissioner Anne Petley, Commissioner Ernest Arsenault, Commissioner



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(Sgd) *Heather Walker*

Technical and Regulatory Services Division IN THE MATTER of an application by Maritime Electric Company, Limited for approval of a Demand Side Management Plan, Phase III.

Order

WHEREAS, pursuant to requirements set out in the *Renewable Energy Act* and Commission Order UE07–06, on December 3rd, 2007, Maritime Electric Company, Limited (the "Company"), filed a Demand Side Management ("DSM") and Energy Conservation Plan Phase III report for Commission approval;

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the said filing, the Commission published a Notice of Application in the local newspapers inviting comments on the Company's application;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the public notice, two responses were received providing comments which were taken into consideration by the Commission;

AND WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 6.(2) of the *Renewable Energy Act*, the Company seeks Commission approval of its plan to implement DSM measures that reduce the intensity of the peak demand for electric energy for the calendar year

of the peak demand for electric energy for the calendar year 2010 by at least 5% of the intensity of the peak demand for electric energy for the calendar year 2004;

AND WHEREAS Maritime Electric requested the

opportunity to resubmit its DSM plan to correspond with comments made by Commission consultant John Murphy, MBA, P.Eng., on the Company's initial DSM plan filed with the Commission in November, 2006; $AND \ WHERE AS$ the resubmitted DSM plan entitled

Maritime Electric Demand Side Management and Energy Conservation Plan Phase III Report provides additional programs which include:

- a broadening of the focus of the DSM plan to encompass conversion of compact fluorescent lights ("CFLs");
- a modification to accommodate the use of rebates and incentives for both holiday lighting and CFLs;
- the inclusion of education and public awareness programming; and
- a continuation of initiatives such as *Greenlight;*

AND WHEREAS the Company requests the DSM Plan budget of \$1,681,000 be recovered from ratepayers through the inclusion of these costs in the Energy Cost Adjustment Mechanism ("ECAM");

AND WHEREAS the Commission has thoroughly

considered the Company's submission and has concluded that the updated DSM Plan meets the requirements of the Renewable Energy Act and Commission Order UE07-06;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the *Island Regulatory* and Appeals Commission Act and the *Electric Power Act*,

IT IS ORDERED THAT

- 1. the Demand Side Management and Energy Conservation Plan as detailed in the Phase III Report is approved as filed;
- the inclusion of DSM plan costs in the ECAM account is approved;
- commencing in 2008, and until otherwise directed, the Company shall file, no later than April 30th of each year, an annual progress report on the status of the DSM plan; and
- 4. the Company shall seek Commission approval for any additional programs or initiatives affecting the DSM plan.

DATED at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this 21st day of February, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION:

(Sgd) Maurice Rodgerson

Maurice Rodgerson, Chair

(Sgd) John Broderick

John Broderick, Commissioner

(Sgd) Anne Petley

Anne Petley, Commissioner

(Sgd) Ernest Arsenault

Ernest Arsenault, Commissioner

NOTICE

Section 12 of the *Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission Act* reads as follows:

12. The Commission may, in its absolute discretion, review, rescind or vary any order or decision made by it or rehear any application before deciding it.

Parties to this proceeding seeking a review of the Commission's decision or order in this matter may do so by filing with the Commission, at the earliest date, a written Request for Review, which clearly states the reasons for the review and the nature of the relief sought.

Sections 13.(1) and 13(2) of the *Act* provide as follows:

13.(1)An appeal lies from a decision or order of the Commission to the Appeal Division of the Supreme Court upon a question of law or jurisdiction.

(2) The appeal shall be made by filing a notice of appeal in the Supreme Court within twenty days after the decision or order appealed from and the Civil Procedure Rules respecting appeals apply with the necessary changes.

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