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**Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission**

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**Application by the Prince Edward Island Energy Corporation to  
The Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission  
For approval for status as a "Friend of the Commission Intervener" in response to  
Maritime Electric Company Limited General Rate Application UE20944**

- (a) The Prince Edward Island Energy Corporation (PEIEC) is seeking approval to act as a "Friend of the Commission Intervener". In the absence of an official "public" intervener, PEIEC will represent the public interest and provide meaningful contribution.
- (b) This application is being made under the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission Act and the Electric Power Act.
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- (d) The Prince Edward Island Energy Corporation (PEIEC) is seeking approval to act as an intervener to support Maritime Electric Company Limited's (MECL) initial proposal related to cost of service and rate design in the General Rate Application (GRA), particularly that concerning second block energy pricing. The Multeese Report, exhibit C-14, recommends eliminating the second block in a phased approach by March 1, 2021. If implemented with this approach there will be a significant impact, or rate shock, on high use customers such as the agricultural industry. PEIEC

feels that MECL's initial proposal to phase out second block over two years starting in 2021 would allow the time for a Farm Rate Study as well as allow for other mitigation strategies to be put into place that could lessen these impacts to ratepayers.

- (e) This application for Intervener Status is being submitted at this time, as concerns only came to light after the Multeese Report was released.

The Prince Edward Island Energy Corporation (PEIEC) will be acting in the public interest with respect to the issue dealing with second block energy pricing that has arisen during the expert and public information gathering stage of the General Rate Application by Maritime Electric Company Limited (MECL).

PEIEC, a Crown corporation, deals with the Province's energy and electricity policies, regulations, and legislation, and therefore has substantial and identifiable interest in the subject matter of the proceeding.

The submission proposed by PEIEC is to support MECL's original submission regarding the plan to address second block energy pricing.

The proposed submission will make a useful contribution to the proceedings by drawing the attention to rate impact (rate shock) that will be experienced by high energy users, primarily in the agriculture industry, as well as highlight programs and legislation changes that are being introduced that could mitigate those impacts if there is sufficient time for these users to avail themselves of these programs before the rate increase occurs.

PEIEC's intended participation is only to have our concerns expressed and the opportunity to have these concerns considered by the commission prior to a decision.

PEIEC's intervention should not add any additional cost or complexity to the proceedings. PEIEC will demonstrate the level of impact the phasing out of the second block by 2021 will have on high energy users as evidence. In addition, we will show the potential the many programs and legislation will have in mitigating these impacts.



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