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UE20944 - MECL - General Rate Application - November 30, 2018-(Posted 2018/12)

Thank you for giving the public an opportunity to present at the rate hearings on Aug. 8, 2019.

In my remarks at the public session I addressed, among other things, my concerns with ECAM. I will not repeat myself.

Aug.9 I listened to the closing remarks presented by counsel for Maritime Electric on ECAM on the merit of rolling in the annual fee from the Government of approx. \$6.7 million into ECAM.

At 1,270,000,000 kWh annual sales that is roughly 0.5 cents per kWh sold.

For a residential customer paying 14.5 c/kwh that is approx.. 4% of the energy charge.

This would be noticeable if broken out on the monthly energy bill.

Customers have a right to know what they are paying for.

The current bill clearly identifies the Government rebate on HST.

By the same token I request that IRAC order Maritime Electric to clearly identify and have a separate line item for the Government fee.

August 9, 2019

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