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Prince Edward Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission
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Dear Ms. Bradley:

Re:

**Utilities Docket UE20742** 

MECL's Application re a Supplemental Budget Request for On-Island Capacity

MECL's Confidentiality Request

- 1. We write on behalf of the Prince Edward Island Energy Corporation (the "PEIEC") in response to Maritime Electric Company, Limited's ("MECL") request to the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission (the "Commission") for confidentiality over certain information in the above noted application (the "Application").
- On May 16, 2025, MECL requested confidentiality with respect to two of its appendices to its submissions, a response to an interrogatory from the Commission's expert, and the technical briefing, all with respect to the Application. MECL was agreeable to the PEIEC receiving the impugned information and attending the technical briefing.
- 3. On May 26, 2025, at the Commission's request, MECL provide further information in support of its confidentiality request.
- 4. On June 2, 2025, the Commission's provided the interveners with the opportunity to object to MECL's confidentiality request and to do so by June 9, 2025 at 4:00pm.
- 5. The PEIEC takes no position on MECL's confidentiality request, and trusts the Commission to make an appropriate decision under Rule 54 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* regarding MECL's confidentiality request, and after considering the factors outlined in Rule 53.

- 6. Generally, the PEIEC has no concerns with MECL's request and basis for the PEIEC to review and receive the confidential information and participate in the technical briefing.
- 7. If the Commission grants the requested confidentiality, in whole or in part, the PEIEC respectfully requests that the Commission permit PEIEC to receive any information subject to the resulting Confidentiality Order and be permitted to participate in the technical briefing.
- 8. The PEIEC's good faith review of the impugned information and participation in the technical, briefing is crucial to it taking an informed position in the Application and advocating for the best resolution of the Application for Island residents, regardless of whether this occurs through a negotiated settlement or full hearing.
- If such an Order is granted, this will alleviate MECL's concerns relating to same. Additionally, the PEIEC will review the proposed confidential information to ensure it fulfills its public interest mandate.
- 10. The PEIEC thanks the Commission for facilitating its submissions on MECL's confidentiality request and looks forward to the Commission's timely decision on this issue.

All of which is respectfully submitted on June 9, 2025.

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