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UE20605 – MECL Energy Cost Adjustment Mechanism Application

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To whom it may concern

As a rate payer for MECL I was concerned about the 1.6 percent rate hike they are proposing.

As I understand it, they are looking for this rate hike to offset the extra power MECL had to purchase because NB power's Point Lepreau was off line and unable to fulfill its commitment to MECL.

This seems utterly ridiculous to me. If I had a company and bought a service to be re-sold to customers and said company failed to provide the service, I would be going after the company who failed to deliver the service rather than having my customer base pay more because I had to acquire said services from another company.

MECL should be attempting get recoup it's extra spending from the provider who failed to deliver first instead of making their rate payers pay more.

Thank you

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