



Docket: UE22503
Order: UE22-07

IN THE MATTER of an application by Maritime Electric Company, Limited for approval of a rate design plan and for approval of certain changes to its rate structure, pursuant to sections 13 and 20 of the *Electric Power Act*, RSPEI 1988, c. E-4;

AND IN THE MATTER of a request for intervener status made on behalf of the Prince Edward Island Energy Corporation, pursuant to the Rules of Practice & Procedure.

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BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON Friday, the 23rd day of September, 2022.

J. Scott MacKenzie, Q.C., Chair
M. Douglas Clow, Vice-Chair
Erin T. Mitchell, Commissioner

BACKGROUND:

1. On May 14, 2021, Maritime Electric Company, Limited (“Maritime Electric”) filed an application with the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission (the “Commission”) seeking approval of a four-year rate design plan, including approval of certain changes to its existing rate structure and the gradual elimination of the Residential declining block rate (the “Application”).
2. Following receipt of the Application, the Commission gave public notice through a publication in local newspapers and on the Commission website. In the notice, the Commission invited interested parties to request intervener status, in accordance with the Commission’s Rules of Practice & Procedure. Requests for intervention were to be submitted by September 9, 2022.
3. On September 9, 2022, the Commission received a request for intervention on behalf of the Prince Edward Island Federation of Agriculture (“PEIFOA”). PEIFOA requests to be recognized as an Added Party Intervener with respect to the Application.
4. In support of its request, PEIFOA states that it is the province’s largest general farm organization representing the direct membership of approximately 600 farm operations, as well as 16 different commodity associations and directly employing over 4000 people annually. As a major customer of electricity in Prince Edward Island, the agriculture industry has much at stake when it comes to any changes in electricity rates or rate structure.
5. PEIFOA also advised that it intends to actively participate in the Application.
6. Maritime Electric, as the applicant, does not oppose PEIFOA’s request to intervene in the Application.

DECISION:

7. The Commission has reviewed the request for intervener status filed by PEIFOA and is satisfied that PEIFOA has a distinct and substantial interest in the Application and intends to participate actively in the proceeding. As a result, the Commission approves the request for Added Party Intervener status as filed on behalf of PEIFOA.

The Commission Orders:

1. The request for intervener status is approved, and the Prince Edward Island Federation of Agriculture is granted Added Party Intervener status with respect to the Application.

DATED at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, this 23rd day of September, 2022.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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