## **Notice of Application**

# Maritime Electric Seeks Approval for a Supplemental Capital Budget Request for Advanced Metering for Sustainable Electrification Project

Maritime Electric has filed an application with the Commission seeking approval of a supplemental capital budget request for the Advanced Metering for Sustainable Electrification Project ("Project"). The Project includes two components:

- Replacing and upgrading Maritime Electric's customer information system; and
- Replacing existing customer meters with advanced metering infrastructure (smart meters).

The Project is proposed as a multi-year capital project that is intended to be completed in 2026. The forecast capital cost for the Project is \$47,585,000. Maritime Electric has secured funding of \$19,000,000 from Natural Resources Canada's Smart Renewables and Electrification Pathway program. The net capital contributions that Maritime Electric seeks to recover from ratepayers is therefore \$28,585,000, broken down as follows:

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Advanced Metering for Sustainable Electrification Project						
Capital budget						
	2023		2024	2025	2026	Total
Customer						
Information System	\$3,190,000	\$	6,450,000	\$ 6,355,000	\$5,540,000	\$ 21,535,000
Advanced Metering						
Infrastructure	-		12,585,000	11,825,000	1,640,000	\$ 26,050,000
Funding						
Contribution	(1,595,000)		(9,515,000)	(7,890,000)	-	\$ (19,000,000)
Total Costs	\$1,595,000	\$	9,520,000	\$10,290,000	\$7,180,000	\$ 28,585,000

#### HOW TO SEE THE APPLICATION

The information contained in this notice is an overview only and is not comprehensive. A complete copy of the application (Docket UE20737) is available on the Commission website at <a href="irac.pe.ca/electric">irac.pe.ca/electric</a>. A paper copy of the application is available by contacting Maritime Electric at the address below.

### **HOW TO COMMENT & ASK QUESTIONS**

The Commission invites public input on the application. Written comments must be received by **October 25, 2023** and can be sent to the address below.

Anyone seeking further information may submit written questions to Maritime Electric by **October 11, 2023** to the address below. Maritime Electric must respond to all written questions by **October 18, 2023**. All questions and responses must be filed with the Commission.

All questions and comments received by the Commission will be made public and posted on the Commission website.

If the Commission determines a hearing is necessary, a Notice of Hearing will be published. Otherwise, the Commission will issue an Order on the application, which will be posted on the Commission website at <a href="https://irac.pe.ca/electric">https://irac.pe.ca/electric</a>

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS FOR MARITIME ELECTRIC:

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**DATED** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.