Disposition 26558-D01-2021



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EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc. Regulated Rate Tariff Electric Energy Charges – June 2021 Proceeding 26558

1. On May 25, 2021, EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc.¹ (EEA) filed its energy charges applicable to its regulated rate tariff (RRT) for the month of June 2021 with the Alberta Utilities Commission. The RRT energy charges apply to the EPCOR Distribution & Transmission Inc. (EDTI) and FortisAlberta Inc. service territories.

2. The filing included an attestation letter from a senior officer of EEA in accordance with the format directed by the Commission in Decision 22357-D01-2018.² The attestation letter stated the senior officer had conducted a final review of the filing and affirmed that the rates had been determined in accordance with the energy price setting plan (EPSP) for 2018 to 2021, as approved by the Commission in Decision 22357-D01-2018, Decision 23492-D01-2018,³ Decision 23916-D01-2018⁴ and Decision 24284-D01-2019,⁵ and extended in Proceeding 26316.⁶

¹ Through Decision 2014-045: EPCOR Energy Alberta Inc. and EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., Approval of Arrangement to Provide Regulated Rate Option Service, Proceeding 2818, Application 1609903-1, February 26, 2014, the Commission approved the appointment of EEA, in its capacity as the general partner of EPCOR Energy Alberta Limited Partnership, to provide regulated rate option service to eligible customers within EDTI's and Fortis's distribution service area.

² Decision 22357-D01-2018: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., 2018-2021 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 22357, March 16, 2018.

³ Decision 23492-D01-2018: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., 2018-2021 Energy Price Setting Plan Compliance Filing, Proceeding 23492, May 31, 2018.

⁴ Decision 23916-D01-2018: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., Application for Amendments to the 2018-2021 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 23916, October 18, 2018.

⁵ Decision 24284-D01-2019: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., Application for Amendment to the 2018-2021 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 24284, February 21, 2019.

⁶ Proceeding 26316 is the application for approval of EEA's 2021-2024 EPSP. The term of the 2018-2021 EPSP was extended beyond the originally approved expiry date of April 30, 2021, and the approval is set out in Exhibit 26316-X0049.

3. EEA's proposed energy charges for the month of June 2021 are as follows:

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kilowatt hour
Residential	7.004
Small Commercial	7.004
Lighting	4.525

Energy charges (EDTI service territory)

Energy charges (Fortis service territory)

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kilowatt hour
Residential	6.930
Small Commercial	7.026
Lighting	4.663
Farm	6.981
Irrigation	6.824
Oil & Gas	6.807

4. On December 9, 2020, the Government of Alberta passed the *Tax Statutes (Creating Jobs and Driving Innovation) Amendment Act, 2020*, which reduced the provincial corporate income tax rate to eight per cent effective July 1, 2020. EEA included the income tax rate true-up adjustment in its June 2021 rate calculations to reflect the reduction in the income tax rate for July 2020 through December 2020 and to reflect the final load settlement data for the same period.

5. The Commission has reviewed the filing, including the attestation letter from the senior officer. In accordance with Section 7(3) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, the Commission acknowledges that the energy charges as set out above represent rates determined in accordance with EEA's EPSP for 2018 to 2021 as extended in Proceeding 26316 and are applicable to EEA's RRT in the EDTI and Fortis service territories for the month of June 2021.

6. Further, as outlined in sections 7(4) and 7(5) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, EEA must retain records sufficient to enable the Commission to audit any previous monthly rates set by EEA. Any amount overcharged to customers due to an incorrect rate calculation must be refunded to customers as soon as practicable after the error is discovered.

7. If any affected party objects to the calculation of the energy charges for the month in question, they should notify the Commission and EEA in a timely manner, and include the nature of their objection and the reason(s) why it should be considered.

8. The Commission may, within 60 days of the date of this disposition and without notice, correct typographical, spelling and calculation errors and other similar types of errors and post the corrected disposition on its website.

(original signed by)

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