

September 27, 2021

Disposition 26878-D01-2021

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ENMAX Energy Corporation
Regulated Rate Tariff
Electric Energy Charges – October 2021
Proceeding 26878

1. On September 24, 2021, ENMAX Energy Corporation filed its energy charges applicable to its regulated rate tariff for the month of October 2021 with the Alberta Utilities Commission.
2. The filing included an attestation letter from a senior officer of ENMAX in accordance with the format approved as part of ENMAX's energy price setting plan (EPSP). The attestation letter stated the senior officer had conducted a review of the filing and affirmed that the rates had been determined in accordance with the EPSP for 2019 to 2022. ENMAX's EPSP was approved by the Commission in Decision 24721-D01-2020,¹ Decision 25537-D01-2020² and Disposition 25537-D02-2020.³
3. ENMAX's proposed energy charges for the month of October 2021 are as follows:

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kilowatt hour
Residential	10.384
Commercial	10.384

4. ENMAX Energy informed the commission of an accidental procurement of one addition full-load strip in its September energy charge filing.⁴ The cost associated with this full-load strip was excluded from the base energy charge for September 2021. ENMAX indicated an investigation into the matter was underway. In Disposition 26790-D01-2021,⁵ the Commission

¹ Decision 24721-D01-2020: ENMAX Energy Corporation, 2019-2022 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 24721, March 19, 2020.

² Decision 25537-D01-2020: ENMAX Energy Corporation, 2019-2022 Energy Price Setting Plan Compliance Filing, Proceeding 25537, July 7, 2020.

³ Disposition 25537-D02-2020: ENMAX Energy Corporation, Revised 2019-2022 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 25537, August 28, 2020.

⁴ Proceeding 26790, Exhibit 26790-X0001, application, 2021-08-25-EEC-Cover Letter September 2021 Monthly Energy Charge.

⁵ Disposition 26790-D01-2021: ENMAX Energy Corporation, ENMAX September 2021 RRT Electric Energy Charges, Proceeding 26790, August 27, 2021.

directed ENMAX to provide an update to its investigation in its October energy charge filing. In compliance with the Commission's direction, ENMAX provided an update on the outcome of its investigation, attributing the extra procurement to user error and a mistake in its auction spreadsheet.

5. ENMAX also provided analysis to estimate the effect of this accidental procurement on the closing price of the full-load strips in the auctions for September. Using historical data from previous auctions, ENMAX estimated a possible lower price for the full-load products that were affected by the over-procurement. Using this lower price, ENMAX calculated a lower energy charge for September of 10.5 cents/kWh instead of the acknowledged 10.518 cents/kWh. When multiplied by the total forecast load for September, this amounts to a total difference of \$15,738.91. ENMAX is proposing to include this amount in its November energy charges to mitigate the impact of the over-procurement on consumers. ENMAX also detailed several improvements to its internal process when handling data from Natural Gas Exchange Inc. auctions.

6. ENMAX retained Dr. Chantale LaCasse⁶ to review its assessment of the effect of the over-procurement. Dr. LaCasse indicated that she supports ENMAX's approach described above and views the proposed refund as entirely mitigating the impact on consumers.

7. The Commission reviewed ENMAX's submission and calculations, and the letter from Dr. LaCasse. The Commission is satisfied with the methodology to estimate the effect of the extra procurement and approves the one-time refund of \$15,738.91 proposed by ENMAX. Accordingly, the Commission directs ENMAX to include this refund in its November 2021 energy charge filing. The Commission is also satisfied that ENMAX's process improvements should reduce the likelihood of future mistakes of this nature.

8. 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 ENMAX's EPSP for 2019 to 2022.

9. Further, as outlined in sections 7(4) and 7(5) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, ENMAX must retain records sufficient to enable the Commission to audit any previous monthly rates set by ENMAX. 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.

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

11. 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.

⁶ Exhibit 26878-X0005, C. LaCasse letter, September 23, 2021.

(original signed by)

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