

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK**

**IN THE MATTER OF a Hearing to consider a change to
the charges, rates and tolls of New Brunswick Power
Distribution and Customer Service Corporation.**

NOTICE

The New Brunswick Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (“the Board”) has received an application from New Brunswick Power Distribution and Customer Service Corporation (“Applicant”) for approval of a change in the charges, rates and tolls for services performed within the Province of New Brunswick, as described in the table below.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board has ordered the following:

- a) A Pre-Hearing conference shall be held at the Delta Brunswick Hotel, Saint John, New Brunswick, on Tuesday the 17th day of May, 2005 commencing at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, and from day-to-day thereafter as required, when and where the Applicant and Intervenors should attend and make representations as to the date of the full public hearing to review the changes for which approval has been applied and the procedure to be followed prior to and at the full public hearing and as to any other matters in respect thereto;
- b) Anyone intending to intervene in this proceeding and participate in the information sessions outlined in section (f) of this Notice, must notify the Board and the Applicant in writing on or before noon on Monday the 9th day of May, 2005 as follows:
 - stating whether they wish to have formal or informal status
 - indicating their choice of language for the hearing
 - providing the reason for the nature of the proposed intervention
 - Set out the name of the person and any authorized representative of the person and the mailing address, civic address, email address, telephone number, and any other telecommunications numbers of the person or the person’s authorized representative; and
 - indicating attendance at information sessions

by sending such notice to the Secretary of the Board by email to general@pub.nb.ca, by fax to (506) 643-7300 or by mailing to:

**Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
P.O. Box 5001
15 Market Square
Suite 1400
Saint John, NB
E2L 4Y9**

and to; the Applicant, to the attention of Ms. Marg Tracy, by email at mtracy@nbpower.com, by fax to (506) 458-4000 or by mailing to:

**New Brunswick Power Distribution and Customer Service Corporation
Attn: Marg Tracy
515 King St.
Fredericton, NB
E3B 4X1**

- c) **The Applicant shall file its full evidence in support of the Application with the Board on or before noon on Monday the 18th day of April, 2005.**
- d) **That the Application, the evidence and a copy of the Board's Order will be placed on file for examination by interested parties during normal business hours in the offices of this Board and in all of New Brunswick Power Distribution and Customer Service Corporation's business offices in New Brunswick, no later than the 18th day of April, 2005.**
- e) **A copy of the documents filed in respect of this matter may be obtained by contacting Ms. Marg Tracy, Regulatory Affairs, New Brunswick Power Distribution and Customer Service Corporation, 515 King Street, Fredericton, New Brunswick, E3B 4X1, (506) 458-4050 or by visiting the following website at www.nbpower.com**
- f) **An informal information session for registered intervenors will be held on May 11 and 12, 2005 in Ballroom "C" of the Delta Brunswick Hotel, Saint John, New Brunswick, commencing at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, when and where the recent restructuring of NB Power and the Power Purchase Agreements entered into by the Applicant, as well as potential issues that might arise at the pre-hearing conference will be discussed.**

g) Summary of proposed rates:

RESIDENTIAL (6.6% overall)

		% Change	Proposed Rates
Service Charge:			
Urban	\$/Month	4.4%	17.97
Rural,Seasonal	\$/Month	4.3%	19.69
Energy Charge:			
First Block Rate	¢/kWh	1.6%	8.26
Balance kWh	¢/kWh	2.6%	6.61
First Block Size (kWh)			1,400
Variable Fuel Surcharge	¢/kWh	-	0.336

GENERAL SERVICE I (Standard) (3.7% overall)

Service Charge:	\$/Month	4.4%	17.97
Demand Charge: First 20 kW		-	No Charge
Balance kW	\$/kW	-11.4%	8.34
Energy Charge: First 5000 kWh	¢/kWh	-1.6%	10.15
Balance kWh	¢/kWh	5.2%	6.84
Variable Fuel Surcharge	¢/kWh	-	0.336

GENERAL SERVICE II (All-Electric) (5.1% overall)

Service Charge:	\$/Month	4.4%	17.97
Demand Charge: First 20 kW		-	No Charge
Balance kW: Lesser Of	\$/kW	19.4%	4.92
Or	\$/kWh	19.4%	0.0246
Energy Charge: First 5000 kWh	¢/kWh	-1.6%	10.15
Next 5000 kWh	¢/kWh	-2.3%	7.22
Balance kWh	¢/kWh	-0.1%	7.22
Variable Fuel Surcharge	¢/kWh	-	0.336

SMALL INDUSTRIAL (4.4% overall)

		% Change	Proposed Rates
Demand Charge: All kW	\$/kW	4.5%	5.38
Energy Charge: First 100 kWh/kW	¢/kWh	1.1%	10.05
Balance kWh	¢/kWh	-3.0%	4.53
Variable Fuel Surcharge – Distribution	¢/kWh	-	0.336
Variable Fuel Surcharge – Transmission	¢/kWh	-	0.322

LARGE INDUSTRIAL (0.3% overall)

Demand Charge: All kW	\$/kW	0.2%	10.00
Energy Charge: All kWh	¢/kWh	-9.0%	3.33
Variable Fuel Surcharge – Distribution	¢/kWh	-	0.336
Variable Fuel Surcharge – Transmission	¢/kWh	-	0.322

WHOLESALE (6.5% overall)

Demand Charge	\$/kW	6.8%	11.53
Energy Charge: All kWh	¢/kWh	-0.4%	4.68
Variable Fuel Surcharge	¢/kWh	-	0.322

DATED at the City of Saint John this 8th day of April, 2005

BY THE BOARD

**Lorraine R. Légère
Secretary
New Brunswick Board of
Commissioners of Public Utilities**