# THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK

IN THE MATTER OF an application by The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission for approval of a change in its rates, tolls and charges.

### **ORDER**

WHEREAS The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission (NB Power) has applied to the Board by Application dated April 20, 1990, for approval of a change in its rates, tolls and charges by eliminating the General Service II rate, except as it is applied to premises serviced at that rate on the effective date of the change, for as long as the service entrance size to those premises remains unchanged;

AND WHEREAS the General Service II rate applies to that category of customers who use electricity for purposes other than those specifically covered under residential, small and large industrial, street lighting or unmetered classes and who use electricity as the only source of energy for cooking, space heating, water heating and all other services;

AND WHEREAS NB Power has requested that the Board inquire into those matters enumerated in Section 43 of the Act, and any other matters which the Board is lawfully entitled to inquire into which will affect the rates, tolls and charges prior to rendering a decision on the specific change in its rates, tolls and charges as hereinbefore set forth:

AND WHEREAS the Board considers that certain background or generic issues, such as NB Power's accounting and financial policies, should be reviewed in public hearings prior to the public review of the requested change to the General Service II rate;

AND WHEREAS the Board expects that separate public hearings would be held to review such matters as:

- . accounting and financial policies
- . cost allocations and rate design
- . energy efficiency programs and load forecasting
- . other matters as determined to be appropriate

and that the hearings would most likely be held sequentially.

#### NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (a) A pre-hearing conference shall be held in Ballroom 1A of the Delta Brunswick Hotel, Saint John, N.B. on Wednesday the 13th day of June, 1990, commencing at 10:00 o'clock in the forencen and from day to day as necessary, when and where intervenors and the Applicant should attend and make representations as to the generic issues to be reviewed and to set dates for those hearings as well as to set the date of the Public Hearing to review the requested elimination of the General Service II rate and the procedure to be followed prior to and at the Public Hearings and as to any other matters in respect thereto.
- (b) Notice of the date for the holding of the Pre-Hearing Conference in respect of the Application and the procedure the Board intends to follow to facilitate the participation of intending intervenors, be published, in the form or substantially in the form attached hereto marked "A", in either the English or French language as may be appropriate having regard to the principal language of publication, twice in each of the following newspapers:

The Moncton Times and Transcript L'Acadie Nouvelle The Daily Gleaner The Evening Times-Globe The Telegraph Journal Moncton Caraquet Fredericton Saint John Saint John

## and once in each of the following newspapers:

Le Plus The Northern Light Le Moniteur L'Aviron The Campbellton Graphic The Tribune Le Voilier/Le Point Miramichi Headwaters Northumberland News Pro-Kent L'Express Miramichi Leader Dalhousie News Le Madawaska The Cataract Weekly The Observer The Oromocto Post Victoria County Record

Caraquet Bathurst Shediac Campbellton Campbellton Campbellton Caraguet Doaktown Chatham Richibucto Sackville Newcastle Dalhousie Edmundston Grand Falls **Hartland** Oromocto Perth-Andover The Sackville Tribune-Post
The St. Croix Courier
The Kings County Record
The Bugle
The Recorder

Sackville St. Stephen Sussex Woodstock Riverview

on or before May 23, 1990.

(c) The Application and the filing memorandum together with a copy of this Order be placed on file for examination by interested parties during normal business hours in the business offices of NB Power.

Dated at the City of Saint John, New Brunswick this 3 day of May, 1990.

BY THE BOARD

D. W. Sanders

Secretary

New Brunswick Board of

Commissioners of Public Utilities

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK

IN THE MATTER OF a Hearing to consider changes to the General Tariff of The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission.

# NOTICE

The New Brunswick Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the Board) has received an application from The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission (NB Power) for approval of a change in its rates, tolls and charges.

NB Power has applied for approval to eliminate the General Service II (Commercial All-Electric) rate, except for any premises serviced at that rate on the effective date of the change and as long as the service entrance size remains unchanged.

NB Power has proposed and the Board agrees that prior to rendering a decision with respect to the General Service II rate certain background or generic issues should be reviewed in public hearings. These generic hearings would review such matters as the accounting and financial policies of NB Power which can have a significant impact on its rates.

The Board therefore intends to hold a series of public hearings to review each of the relevant generic issues prior to the public hearing to review the specific request for approval of a change to the General Service II rate.

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

- That a prehearing conference shall be held in Ballroom (a) 1A of the Delta Brunswick Hotel, Saint John, N. B. on Wednesay the 13th day of June, 1990, commencing at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, when and where intervenors and the Applicant should attend and make representations as to the generic issues to be reviewed and to set dates for those hearings as well as to set the date to review the requested elimination of the General Service II rate and the procedure to be followed prior to and at the Public Hearings and as to any other matters in respect thereto.
- (b) Persons intending to intervene must notify the Board in writing, at the address below, no later than Friday the 8th day of June 1990.
- (c) The Application, the filing memorandum 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 N. B. Power's business offices in New Brunswick. Copies of the Board's full Order may be obtained by calling (506) 658-2504 or writing to:

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities P. O. Box 5001 Saint John, N. B. E2L 4Y9

Dated at the City of Saint John this 3rd day of May, 1990.

BY THE BOARD

D. W. SANDERS, SECRETARY NEW BRUNSWICK BOARD OF

COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES