

February 28, 2019

Decision 24354-D01-2019

EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc.
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Attention: Ms. Helen Luk Luong
Manager, RRO & Default Operations

**EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc.
Regulated Rate Tariff
Electric Energy Charges and Non-Energy Charges – March 2019
Proceeding 24354**

- On February 22, 2019, EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc.¹ (EEA) filed its energy charges applicable to its regulated rate tariff (RRT) for the month of March 2019 with the Alberta Utilities Commission. The RRT energy charges apply to the EPCOR Distribution & Transmission Inc. (EDTI) and FortisAlberta Inc. service territories.
- The filing included an attestation letter from a senior officer of EEA in accordance with the format directed by the Commission in Decision 20342-D02-2016.² 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 2016 to 2018, as approved by the Commission in Decision 20342-D04-2017 (Errata).³
- EEA’s proposed energy charges for the month of March 2019 are as follows:

Energy charges (EDTI service territory)

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kilowatt hour (kWh)
Residential	5.991
Small Commercial	5.991
Lighting	5.159

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’ distribution service area.

² Decision 20342-D02-2016: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., 2014-2018 Energy Price Setting Plan Compliance Filing, Proceeding 20342, February 11, 2016.

³ Decision 20342-D04-2017 (Errata): EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., Backstop Procurement Mechanism and Backstop Supply Management, Proceeding 20342, November 28, 2017.

Energy charges (Fortis service territory)

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kWh
Residential	5.918
Small Commercial	5.999
Lighting	5.181
Farm	5.961
Irrigation	5.949
Oil & Gas	5.940

4. As part of its filing and in accordance with the *Rate Cap (Commission Approved Regulated Rate Tariffs) Regulation*, EEA also submitted its deferral account statement for the month of March 2019. EEA's energy charges did not exceed the price cap of 6.8 cents/kWh, and therefore, the price cap is not reflected in its energy charges for the month. EEA stated that its deferral account was calculated considering only deferral account balance adjustments.

5. The AUC 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 AUC acknowledges that the energy charges as set out above represent rates determined in accordance with EEA's EPSP for 2016 to 2018 and are applicable to EEA's RRT in the EDTI and Fortis service territories for the month of March 2019.

6. The AUC has also reviewed EEA's deferral account statement and EEA's calculation of its deferral account balance. In accordance with Section 4 of the *Rate Cap (Commission Approved Regulated Rate Tariffs) Regulation*, the AUC approves EEA's submitted deferral account statement for the month of March 2019. The approved deferral account statement is included as an appendix to this letter.

7. Further, as outlined in sections 7(4) and 7(5) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, EEA must retain records sufficient to enable the AUC 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.

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

9. EEA's proposed non-energy charges, which took effect May 1, 2018, are as follows:

Non-energy charges (EDTI service territory)

Rate class	(\$/month/site)
Residential	5.36
Small Commercial	4.99
Lighting	4.96

Non-energy charges (Fortis service territory)

Rate class	(\$/month/site)
Residential	5.46
Small Commercial	5.76
Lighting	5.29
Farm	5.00
Irrigation	3.50
Oil & Gas	6.51

10. The AUC has reviewed the filing with respect to the non-energy charges and the AUC acknowledges that the above-noted non-energy charges represent rates determined in accordance with Decision 22879-D01-2017.⁴ These non-energy charges are applicable to the EDTI and Fortis service territories respectively.

(original signed by)

Mark Kolesar
Chair

Attachment

⁴ Decision 22879-D01-2017: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., 2018 Interim Regulated Rate Tariff, Proceeding 22879, October 13, 2017.

Appendix 1 – EEA March 2019 Deferral Account Statement



Appendix 1 - EEA
March 2019 Deferral ,
(consists of 1 page)

DEFERRAL ACCOUNT STATEMENT PRESCRIBED UNDER Section 3 of RATE CAP (COMMISSION APPROVED REGULATED RATE TARIFFS) REGULATION
(Calculation of Deferral Account Amounts for Owners regulated by the Alberta Utilities Commission)

NOTE: Areas shaded in grey to be completed by the Owner

A.) Current Delivery Month Calculation

Current Month Submission: Mar-19 Section 3(3)(a)

Rate Class	Regulation, Section 3(3)(a)(i)	Act, Section 2(1)(b)	Monthly Rate (\$/kWh)	Maximum Rate (\$/kWh)	Forecast Consumption (kWh)	Deferral Account Amount (\$)
1 EDTI Residential	0.05991	0.068			114934164.1	0
2 EDTI Small Comm	0.05991	0.068			48584159.16	0
3 EDTI Lighting	0.05159	0.068			185026.7049	0
4 Fortis Residential	0.05918	0.068			154669748	0
5 Fortis Small Comm	0.05999	0.068			56199725.32	0
6 Fortis Lighting	0.05181	0.068			445163.4288	0
7 Fortis Farm	0.05961	0.068			37209552.21	0
8 Fortis Irrigation	0.05949	0.068			150780.5252	0
9 Fortis Oil & Gas	0.0594	0.068			1558876.688	0
					GST	0 Section 3(3)(a)(v)
Total - Estimated (\$)						0 Section 3(3)(a)(v)

B.) Recalculation based on actual consumption data

Previously Submitted Month: Sep-18 Section 3(3)(b)

Rate Class	Regulation Section 3(3)(b)(i)	Act, Section 2(1)(b)	Monthly Rate (\$/kWh)	Maximum Rate (\$/kWh)	Actual Consumption (kWh)	Previous Deferral Account Amount (\$)	*Recalculation (\$)	Difference (\$)
1 EDTI Residential	0.07774	0.068			102797287.5	974674.3732	1001245.58	26571.2072
2 EDTI Small Comm	0.07774	0.068			41760079.3	406260.9495	406743.1724	482.222882
3 EDTI Lighting	0.05109	0.068			158595.8673	0	0	0
4 Fortis Residential	0.07636	0.068			133754758.6	1085547.238	1118189.782	32642.54416
5 Fortis Small Comm	0.07743	0.068			49346155.67	445559.6391	465334.248	19774.6089
6 Fortis Lighting	0.05214	0.068			390678.939	0	0	0
7 Fortis Farm	0.07693	0.068			25727520.73	226657.8378	229746.7601	3088.922313
8 Fortis Irrigation	0.07446	0.068			4697581.061	38104.97562	30346.37366	-7758.601961
9 Fortis Oil & Gas	0.07423	0.068			824249.133	4726.34988	5135.072099	408.722191
10 Fortis REA Farm	0.077	0.068			404.0639		3.6365751	3.6365751
							GST	3760.663114 Section 3(3)(c)
Balance Adjustment (\$)								78973.9254 Section 3(3)(c)

Previously Submitted Month: Section 3(3)(b)

1		0.068						
2		0.068						
3		0.068						
4		0.068						
5		0.068						
6		0.068						
Balance Adjustment (\$)								 Section 3(3)(c)

C.) Deferral Account Balance (\$): Net Amount Payable by Province/(Payable by the Owner)

78973.9254 Section 3(3)(d)

*Instruction:
For Recalculation, calculate the Actual Results for applicable month for each rate class based on final monthly rate and actual consumption, according to sections 3.3.b.(i) and (ii)

Document Review and Sign-off:

Mark Kolesar, Chair
Name and Title of AUC Signing Authority

February 28, 2019
Date