

April 29, 2019

Decision 24536-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 – May 2019  
Proceeding 24536**

1. On April 24, 2019, EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc.<sup>1</sup> (EEA) filed its energy charges applicable to its regulated rate tariff (RRT) for the month of May 2019 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.<sup>2</sup> 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,<sup>3</sup> Decision 23916-D01-2018<sup>4</sup> and Decision 24284-D01-2019.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

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

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

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

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

3. EEA's proposed energy charges for the month of May 2019 are as follows:

**Energy charges (EDTI service territory)**

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kilowatt hour (kWh)	Energy charge as billed cents/kWh
Residential	6.990	6.800
Small Commercial	6.990	6.800
Lighting	4.763	4.763

**Energy charges (Fortis service territory)**

Rate class	Energy charge as calculated cents/kWh	Energy charge as billed cents/kWh
Residential	6.868	6.800
Small Commercial	6.963	6.800
Lighting	4.684	4.684
Farm	6.918	6.800
Irrigation	6.767	6.767
Oil & Gas	6.750	6.750

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 May 2019. EEA's energy charges for the EDTI Residential, EDTI Small Commercial, Fortis Residential, Fortis Small Commercial, and Fortis Farm rate classes exceeded the price cap of 6.8 cents/kWh, and therefore, the price cap is reflected in EEA's energy charges for the month. EEA stated that its deferral account was calculated for both the revenue shortfall related to the implementation of the price cap in addition to any 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 2018 to 2021 and are applicable to EEA's RRT in the EDTI and Fortis service territories for the month of May 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 May 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.<sup>6</sup> These non-energy charges are applicable to the EDTI and Fortis service territories respectively.

11. The Commission may, within 30 days of the date of this decision and without notice, correct typographical, spelling and calculation errors and other similar types of errors and post the corrected decision on its website.

*(original signed by)*

Mark Kolesar  
Chair

Attachment

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<sup>6</sup> Decision 22879-D01-2017: EPCOR Energy Alberta GP Inc., 2018 Interim Regulated Rate Tariff, Proceeding 22879, October 13, 2017.



## Appendix 1 – EEA May 2019 Deferral Account Statement



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May 2019 Deferral Ac  
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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: May-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	0.0699	0.068	97574417.37	185391.393			
2 EDTI Small Comm	0.0699	0.068	43475635.44	82603.70733			
3 EDTI Lighting	0.04763	0.068	131482.7476	0			
4 Fortis Residential	0.06868	0.068	126348070.9	85916.68819			
5 Fortis Small Comm	0.06963	0.068	47690614.24	77735.70121			
6 Fortis Lighting	0.04684	0.068	294600.0239	0			
7 Fortis Farm	0.06918	0.068	24151819.94	28499.14753			
8 Fortis Irrigation	0.06767	0.068	8276759.94	0			
9 Fortis Oil & Gas	0.0675	0.068	706735.8496	0			
			GST	23007.33186		Section 3(3)(a)(v)	
<b>Total - Estimated (\$)</b>						<b>483153.9691</b>	Section 3(3)(a)(v)

B.) **Recalculation based on actual consumption data**

Previously Submitted Month: Nov-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	0.06222	0.068	115853283.2	0	0	0	0	0	
2 EDTI Small Comm	0.06222	0.068	48083564.37	0	0	0	0	0	
3 EDTI Lighting	0.05404	0.068	215947.6175	0	0	0	0	0	
4 Fortis Residential	0.06134	0.068	155042377.2	0	0	0	0	0	
5 Fortis Small Comm	0.06219	0.068	56238957.28	0	0	0	0	0	
6 Fortis Lighting	0.05324	0.068	542705.308	0	0	0	0	0	
7 Fortis Farm	0.06179	0.068	35749201.27	0	0	0	0	0	
8 Fortis Irrigation	0.0611	0.068	185996.2301	0	0	0	0	0	
9 Fortis Oil & Gas	0.06099	0.068	916339.2003	0	0	0	0	0	
10									
							GST	0	Section 3(3)(c)
<b>Balance Adjustment (\$)</b>							<b>0</b>		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							
							GST		
<b>Balance Adjustment (\$)</b>							<b>0</b>		Section 3(3)(c)

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

483153.9691 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

April 29, 2019  
Date