

DA 2011-131

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Attention: Ms. Kate Leonard
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**ENMAX Energy Corporation
Regulated Rate Tariff
Electric Energy Charges – December 2011
Application No. 1607910**

1. On November 24, 2011, ENMAX Energy Corporation (ENMAX) filed its energy charges applicable to its regulated rate tariff (RRT) for the month of December 2011 with the Alberta Utilities Commission (the AUC or the Commission).
2. The filing included a letter from the independent advisor.¹ The advisor stated that he had reviewed the energy charges filed by ENMAX for the month of December 2011, and stated that they were calculated in accordance with the ENMAX energy price setting plan (EPSP) for 2011-2014 as approved on an interim basis in Decision [2011-208](#),² dated May 13, 2011. Additionally, based on the existing EPSP, the advisor submitted that ENMAX's December 2011 energy charges included uplift charges as part of the risk margin, consistent with the AUC approved amendment in Decision [2010-361](#).³

¹ The advisor provided assistance in designing the interim 2011-2014 energy price setting plan (EPSP) and has an ongoing role respecting the procurement of the energy under the protocols established in the EPSP.

² Decision 2011-208: ENMAX Energy Corporation Application for Approval of a Settlement Agreement in respect of the 2011-2014 Energy Price Setting Plan: Part A – Transition Period, Application No. 1607214, Proceeding ID No. 1174, May 13, 2011. As parties did not agree with either option proposed in the application, and given the time constraints for an interim decision, the Commission determined that the most suitable option for use by EEC during the transition period is to continue the existing EPSP during the transition period, modified to remove the ENMAX indices and related compensation. EEC must follow the procurement mechanism from Decision 2011-208 effective May 17, 2011 as well as the pricing mechanism contained in Decision 2011-208 commencing with the calculation of electricity charges for the month of July 2011.

³ Decision 2010-361: ENMAX Energy Corporation Energy Price Setting Plan Terms of Settlement Amendment, Application No. 1606247, Proceeding ID. 659, July 29, 2010.

3. The Commission, in Decision 2010-361, approved the agreed-upon methodology for risk compensation in respect of uplift charges.⁴

4. ENMAX's proposed energy charges for the month of December 2011 are as follows:

Rate class	cents/kWh
Residential	13.545
Commercial	13.545

5. The AUC has reviewed the filing, including the letter from the advisor, and accepts that the above-noted energy charges represent rates determined in accordance with the ENMAX EPSP for 2011-2014 as approved on an interim basis by the AUC in Decision 2011-208 and includes the uplift charges as approved by the Commission in Decision 2010-361.

6. In accordance with Section 7(3) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, AR 262/2005, as amended, the AUC acknowledges that the energy charges as set out above are applicable to ENMAX's RRT for the month of December 2011.

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

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



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⁴ However, in Decision 2010-361, the Commission reiterated its right, as originally stated in Decision 2010-163, to direct Parties to initiate a forecast methodology review, should the cumulative variation between forecast and actual uplift charges reach a threshold of 50 per cent in either direction for the remainder of the term of the EPSP.