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Mark Lanigan, CA
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National Bank Tower
Suite 501 – 134Kent Street
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Dear Mr. Lanigan:

Re: Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission, Docket EU 20940

Notice of Intervention and Interrogatories Respecting Application by Maritime Electric Company, Limited to the Commission for Approval of Amendments to its Rates, Tolls, and Charges under the Provisions of the *Electric Power Act*, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-4

Enclosed is the Notice of Intervention in the captioned matter filed by the Minister of Environment, Energy, and Forestry for the Province of Prince Edward Island.

As well, we enclose a series of Interrogatories addressed to the Applicant Maritime Electric Company, Limited with respect to their Rate Application dated the 29th day of January, 2010. We expect the responses to the Interrogatories may well generate the need for a second round of Interrogatories.

Please note in the Notice of Intervention that the Minister requests that the Commission schedule a hearing for the purpose of the presentation of oral evidence with respect to the captioned Application.

As well, the Minister requests a pre-hearing conference involving all interested parties for the purpose of establishing a schedule.

Yours truly,

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NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

UE 20940

Application by Maritime Electric Company, Limited to the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission for approval of amendments to its rates, tolls and charges under the provisions of the *Electric Power Act*, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-4

IN THE MATTER OF Section 20 of the *Electric Power Act* (R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap.E-4)

AND IN THE MATTER OF the application of Maritime Electric Company, Limited for an order of the Commission approving rates, tolls, and charges for electric service for the periods beginning April 1, 2010, and April 1, 2011 and for certain approvals, incidental to such an order.

TO: The Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission

AND TO: Maritime Electric Company, Limited

TAKE NOTICE that the Government of the Province of Prince Edward Island, as represented by the Minister of Environment, Energy, and Forestry ("Minister") does hereby serve notice to intervene in the application of Maritime Electric Company, Limited ("Maritime Electric") for approval of amendments to its rates, tolls and charges as set out in its application dated January 29, 2010 ("rate application").

The Minister as designated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council of the Government of the Province of Prince Edward Island, has responsibility for the administration of the *Electric Power Act* and as such has a real and substantial interest in the matters and issues raised in the rate application.

The Minister is intervening for the purpose of assisting the Commission regarding the consideration of the issues raised by the rate application and to assist in ensuring, to the extent possible, that the proposed rates, tolls, and charges of Maritime Electric and the rules and regulations appended thereto result in the least cost and reliable furnishing of electric energy to customers of Maritime Electric.

TAKE NOTICE that the Minister requests the Commission schedule a hearing for the purpose of the oral presentation of evidence. The Minister requests a pre-hearing conference for the purpose of setting dates.

TAKE NOTICE that the Minister intends to present evidence with respect to certain issues raised by the aforesaid rate application of Maritime Electric.

DATED at Charlottetown, Queens County, Prince Edward Island this $\underline{\mathcal{P}}^{\text{th}}$ day of February 2010.

Idn. Richard E. Brown

Minister of Environment, Energy and Forestry