MANITOBA ) Order No. 55/02 )
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT ) April 2, 2002

BEFORE: G. D. Forrest, Chairman

R. Mayer, Q.C., Vice-Chairman

K. Kinew, Member

## APPLICATION BY MANITOBA HYDRO FOR AN INTERIM EX PARTE ORDER APPROVING THE CURTAILABLE RATE PROGRAM

WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro made Application to The Public Utilities Board (the "Application") for approval of a Curtailable Rate Program dated November, 2001 which Curtailable Rate Program, is intended to replace the current Curtailable Service Program the Terms and Conditions which were to expire on November 30, 2001 but which were extended to February 28, 2002 as per Board Order No. 150/01 dated October 9, 2001;

AND WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro requested that the Application be approved on an Interim Ex Parte basis with confirmation to follow the hearing of the Manitoba Hydro's Status Update Filing scheduled for March, 2002;

AND WHEREAS the consideration of this Application was deferred to the Manitoba Hydro Status Update hearing;

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AND WHEREAS the hearing of Manitoba Hydro's Status Update Filing is now scheduled to be completed by the middle of June, 2002 resulting in an Application by Manitoba Hydro dated March 21, 2002 for a further extension of the existing program until such time as the Board can rule on the proposed Curtailable Rate Program.

AND WHEREAS The Public Utilities Board in Order No. 182/01 dated November 27, 2001 amended Order No. 150/01, Directive No. 1 extending the Curtailable Service Program to May 1, 2002.

AND WHEREAS the Board deems it expedient to do so.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Order No. 150/01, Directive No. 1 and Order No. 182/01, Directive No. 1 both be amended as follows:

"The Curtailable Service Program be extended until such time as a further Order of the Board is issued."

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"G. D. FORREST" Chairman

"G. O. BARRON" Secretary

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Secretary