

MANITOBA) Order No. 118/02
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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD ACT)
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THE MANITOBA HYDRO ACT)
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THE CROWN CORPORATIONS PUBLIC)
REVIEW AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT) June 12, 2002

BEFORE: G. D. Forrest, Chairman
R. Mayer, Q.C., Vice-Chairman
K. Kinew, Member

**AN APPLICATION BY MANITOBA HYDRO FOR INTERIM EX PARTE
APPROVAL OF THE LIMITED USE OF BILLING DEMAND RATE OPTION**

WHEREAS the Limited Use of Billing Demand (LUBD) rate option was approved by The Public Utilities Board (the Board) in Order No. 91/00 dated June 30, 2000, which rate was to be in effect until June 30, 2002 and required Manitoba Hydro to file a report on the status of the LUBD rate option which report was filed on May 2, 2002.

AND WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro made Application to the Board on May 28, 2002, for an interim ex parte Order approving the continuation of the LUBD rate option noting it is Manitoba Hydro's intention to make the LUBD rate option a permanent offering.

AND WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro is currently before the Board on rate matters which is currently adjourned and scheduled to reconvene on September 16, 2002.

AND WHEREAS Manitoba Hydro, in its application, indicated that the LUBD rate option removes a significant irritant for a relatively small number of customers (110 as of March 2002) without adversely impacting any other customers.

AND WHEREAS the Board deems it expedient to do so;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Manitoba Hydro's Application for approval of the continuation of the Limited Use of Billing Demand Rate Option, BE AND IS HEREBY APPROVED on an Interim Ex Parte basis.
2. Manitoba Hydro make Application for confirmation or otherwise of this Interim Ex Parte Order as part of the Manitoba Hydro Status Update proceeding scheduled to reconvene on September 16, 2002.

3. This Interim Ex Parte Order shall remain in force until confirmed or otherwise by the Board as part of the Manitoba Hydro Status Update proceeding.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

"G. D. FORREST"

Chairman

"G. O. BARRON"

Secretary

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Secretary