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By Board Order 148/11, and on an interim basis, by a majority decision the Public Utilities Board (Board) eliminates the tail block rate for residential accounts in the four remote northern communities [Barren Lands First Nation (Brochet), Northlands Denesuline First Nation (Lac Brochet), Sayisi Dene First Nation (Tadoule Lake) and Shamattawa First Nation (Shamattawa)] currently provided electricity through diesel generation.

Rather than paying 35 cents per kWh for consumption above 2,000 kWh per month, residents of the communities will, as of November 1, 2011, pay 6.62 cents per kWh Residential service for the communities will continue to be restricted to 60 Amp service with households prohibited for using electricity to heat their residences.

A copy of the Order, which contains additional information and the dissent of one member of the panel, may be reviewed on the Board's website <u>www.pub.gov.mb.ca</u>, or be obtained through the Board's Office.

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