



News Release

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By Order 137/10, the Public Utilities Board (PUB) addresses Manitoba Hydro's (MH) inadvertent violation of reliability standards in place with respect to the transmission grid. The violations occurred in September 2008, but did not result in any adverse impact on either the grid or consumers.

As a result of the 2003 blackout in eastern Canada and eastern US states, electrical transmission reliability standards have become mandatory, and are enforceable throughout most of North America. Manitoba Order in Council 206/2004 authorized MH to adopt transmission reliability standards and requirements. In February 2009, Order in Council 68/2009 provided PUB regulatory responsibilities related to reliability standards. PUB confirms MH's violation, approves the Settlement Agreement, and accepts the Mitigation Plans.

Order 137/10 may either be reviewed on the Board's website www.pub.gov.mb.ca, or obtained from the Board's Office.

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