

News Release

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Manitoba Hydro Electricity: Consumer Coalition Motion – Notice of Decision

The Manitoba Public Utilities Board (PUB) approved the Consumer Coalition's Application to hold a public process to determine whether Manitoba Hydro's rates are just and reasonable and its costs are fairly allocated among the various customer classes.

The PUB has found that the circumstances of Manitoba Hydro have changed substantially, necessitating a public process to assess whether current electricity rates are just and reasonable and costs are fairly allocated. The PUB notes several changes and when taken collectively, including COVID-19 and drought impacts, constitute a substantial change in Manitoba Hydro's circumstances.

The PUB has also approved Consumers Coalition's Motion to submit new evidence in support of its Application, namely, the Hansard transcript of the June 29, 2021 sitting of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporation.

The PUB is an impartial tribunal and regulator, at arm's length from government, which acts in the public interest.

Board Order 89/21, contains additional information application and the Board's decision. The Order is available on the Board's website at www.pubmanitoba.ca, or through the Board's Office.

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