



News Release

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The Public Utilities Board (Board or PUB) has issued Order 1/10, intended to assist Manitoba Hydro (MH) in considering what actions the Utility should take and/or propose to take with respect to the four First Nation communities (Diesel Zone) being provided electricity through diesel generation.

The latest order reviews the history and status of rates and accumulated deficits related to the Diesel Zone, and seeks clarifications of intent from MH, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and the four First Nations.

PUB expects to receive the clarifications in the course of the upcoming General Rate Application hearing. By way of its order, PUB also seeks an improved understanding as to safety issues related to the provision of diesel-generated electricity to residences in the four northern communities.

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