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Disposition 25832-D01-2020

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**Direct Energy Regulated Services
Regulated Rate Tariff
Electric Energy Charges – September 2020
Proceeding 25832**

1. On August 25, 2020, Direct Energy Regulated Services (DERS) filed its energy charges applicable to its regulated rate tariff for the month of September 2020 with the Alberta Utilities Commission.
2. The filing included an attestation letter from a senior officer of DERS in accordance with the format approved by the Commission in Decision 24296-D01-2019.¹ The attestation letter stated the senior officer had conducted a review of the filing and affirmed that the rates had been determined in accordance with the energy price setting plan (EPSP) for 2018 to 2020, as approved by the Commission in Decision 22635-D01-2018,² Decision 24296-D01-2019 and Decision 24296-D02-2020,³ and extended in Decision 25357-D02-2020.⁴
3. DERS' proposed energy charges for the month of September 2020 are as follows:

Rate class	Energy charge cents/kilowatt hour
Residential	7.312
Commercial	7.255
Industrial	7.006
Farming (Includes REA)	7.212
Irrigation (Includes REA)	6.878
Oil & Gas	6.935
Lighting	5.102

¹ Decision 24296-D01-2019: Direct Energy Regulated Services, 2018-2020 Energy Price Setting Plan Compliance Filing to Decision 22635-D01-2018, Proceeding 24296, May 22, 2019.

² Decision 22635-D01-2018: Direct Energy Regulated Services, 2018-2020 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 22635, December 21, 2018.

³ Decision 24296-D02-2020: Direct Energy Regulated Services, Revised 2018-2020 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 24296, August 24, 2020.

⁴ Decision 25357-D02-2020: Direct Energy Regulated Services, Extension Request for 2018-2020 Energy Price Setting Plan, Proceeding 25357, February 20, 2020.

4. In Decision 24412-D01-2019,⁵ the Commission approved corrected monthly energy charges for DERS for February 2018 to September 2019. This will require DERS to incorporate relevant acknowledged and/or accepted information from the corrected monthly rate books for September 2018 to September 2019 as applicable, as part of its commodity risk calculations in months subsequent to the release of Decision 24412-D01-2019.⁶ DERS incorporated the applicable information as part of its monthly rate book for September 2020.

5. The AUC has reviewed the filing, including the attestation letter from the senior officer. In accordance with Section 7(3) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, the AUC acknowledges that the energy charges as set out above represent rates determined in accordance with DERS' EPSP for 2018 to 2020.

6. Further, as outlined in sections 7(4) and 7(5) of the *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*, DERS must retain records sufficient to enable the AUC to audit any previous monthly rates set by DERS. Any amount overcharged to customers due to an incorrect rate calculation must be refunded to customers as soon as practicable after the error is discovered.

7. If any affected party objects to the calculation of the energy charges for the month in question, they should notify the AUC and DERS in a timely manner, and include the nature of their objection and the reason(s) why it should be considered.

8. The Commission may, within 30 days of the date of this disposition and without notice, correct typographical, spelling and calculation errors and other similar types of errors and post the corrected disposition on its website.

(original signed by)

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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

⁵ Decision 24412-D01-2019: Direct Energy Regulated Services, Corrected Monthly Regulated Rate Tariff Energy Charges for February 2018 to September 2019, Proceeding 24412, September 13, 2019.

⁶ Decision 24412-D01-2019, paragraph 33.