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PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION ORDER SETTING

Standard Offer Bidding Process for STANDARD OFFER

CMP and BHE Medium and Large Non-Residential ENERGY PRICES

Customers FOR CMP AND BHE

LARGE CLASS

(February 2013)

Welch, Chairman; LITTELL and VANNOY, Commissioners

# SUMMARY

Through this Order, we set the energy components and resulting standard offer energy prices[[1]](#footnote-1) for the large non-residential classes in the service territory of Central Maine Power Company (CMP) and Bangor Hydro Electric Company (BHE) for February 2013. The energy components are $0.0692/kWh for CMP and $0.06591/kWh for BHE, and the resulting standard offer energy prices for February 2013 will be $0.077541/kWh for the CMP large class and $0.076533/kWh for the BHE large class. The standard offer prices will include these energy prices plus the capacity components as specified in the July 25, 2012 Order. The specified capacity components for February 2013 are $3.55601/kW-month for the CMP large class and $3.92000/kW-month for the BHE large class.

# II. BACKGROUND

On July 25, 2012, the Commission issued an Order Designating Standard Offer Providers for CMP and BHE Large Class. In that Order, the Commission designated a standard offer provider for the CMP and BHE large customer standard offer classes for the six-month term beginning September 1, 2012 and ending February 28, 2013. The July 25, 2012 Order specified that the actual energy prices for CMP and BHE’s large customer classes will be determined prior to each month of the September-February term based on ISO-NE Internal Hub Peak and Off-Peak Locational Marginal Pricing (LMP) electricity futures as settled through CME Group on the 15th day of the prior month.[[2]](#footnote-2)

# III. DECISION

Based on the methodology adopted in the Commission’s July 25, 2012 Order, the following standard offer energy prices[[3]](#footnote-3) for February 2013 are established for the CMP and BHE large non-residential classes:

CMP--$0.077541/kWh

BHE--$0.076533/kWh

As specified in the July 25, 2012 Order, the capacity components for February 2013 are:

CMP--$3.55601/kW-mo

BHE--$3.92000/kW-mo

BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE ELECTRIC AND GAS

UTILITY INDUSTRIES



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NOTICE OF RIGHTS TO REVIEW OR APPEAL

            5 M.R.S.A. § 9061 requires the Public Utilities Commission to give each party to an adjudicatory proceeding written notice of the party's rights to review or appeal of its decision made at the conclusion of the adjudicatory proceeding.  The methods of review or appeal of PUC decisions at the conclusion of an adjudicatory proceeding are as follows:

            1.         Reconsideration of the Commission's Order may be requested under Section 1004 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (65-407 C.M.R.110) within **20** days of the date of the Order by filing a petition with the Commission stating the grounds upon which reconsideration is sought.  Any petition not granted within 20 days from the date of filing is denied.

            2.         Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within **21** days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure.

            3.         Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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1. The standard offer energy prices include the energy component set by this Order, plus the line loss, uncollectible and fixed adder factors established by the prior Order. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The Commission delegated to the Director of Electricity & Gas Utility Industries the authority to determine the energy prices each month pursuant to the pricing methodology specified in the July 25, 2012 Order. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. In this Order, the “energy” prices refer to all components of the price that are billed on a kWh basis, including line losses and the adders. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)