

October 1, 2015

SIEC Board Meeting Manager's Report

Just Highlights:

1. Putting Billy Banks on hold on removing the tanks and pipes. Discuss possibility of him buying the Coop property after the merger.

2. Disconnect Report:

Disconnections:

Payment Plans	Paid
6	6

Regular Billing	Paid	In Process
24	15	2-Payment Plans 7 Awaiting Payment

Collection
Agency

Spoke to NRA representative. They have suspended further collections.

Suspended further collections due to inability to contact debtors. Phone numbers/addresses are "bad."

This week will review.

AMP Program that offers a reduction in arrearage with customers with over due account of more than 90 days and

over 500.00 is a new requirement from the State of Maine. Am in process of reviewing payment plan accounts.

Must provide

notice to membership that this program exists. (1) If a member wants to apply they must first apply for Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIAP) and be approved. Once that approval is completed, they would apply through us for AMP. Our AMP program is a segment of the Terms and Conditions.

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3. What to do with used poles?

4. Marine Cable Report:

This is an update to today's activities to find the fault in one of our marine cables. We took the power down at 10:10 am. The Three-C Company had engineers at Lopus Point and Swan's Island. EMERA was also at Lopus Point and Northern Line was at Swan's Island. Three-C started the test on the SI side. He found that one cable was over 4000 feet longer than the others. His initial readings indicated a fault very near the Lopus Point end. We packed everything up and took the 1:30 ferry across to Lopus Point. He did his test there and determined that the fault was 339 feet from the top of the pole connection at Lopus Point. The pole is about 239 feet from the high

tide line, so the fault appears to be about 100 feet out from the high tide line. The fault was in the green cable marked Phase C at the Lopus Point pole. The next step is for SIEC to secure a diver and a boat to lift the cable onto in order to do a splice. The Three-C company has people who can do the splicing. They will present a quote. When we get that quote and accept the bid, I will set a date for EMERA to return to Lopus Point and there will be another shut down while the fault is being repaired. This is not an inexpensive operation. Three=C Company is charging \$15,000 to find the fault, and we will have all day bills from EMERA and Northern Line. Then, the additional costs of the repair will be added on to that.

UPDATE: Three-C Company quoted \$35K to find and splice cable. After further discussions, I told them we would locate the exact location and put a buoy on it. They will do the splice for \$7K to \$10K. Dig Safe will be here on October 6 to locate the cables that are buried at Lopus Point. Northern Line will see if the faulted cable is Okanite or Henndrix. Jason Matthews gave me the name of a diver on the mainland.