

# National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations for the Electricity Industry

#### **Regulation Process**

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# OVERVIEW OF THE FEDERAL REGULATION PROCESS

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#### **Legal Considerations**

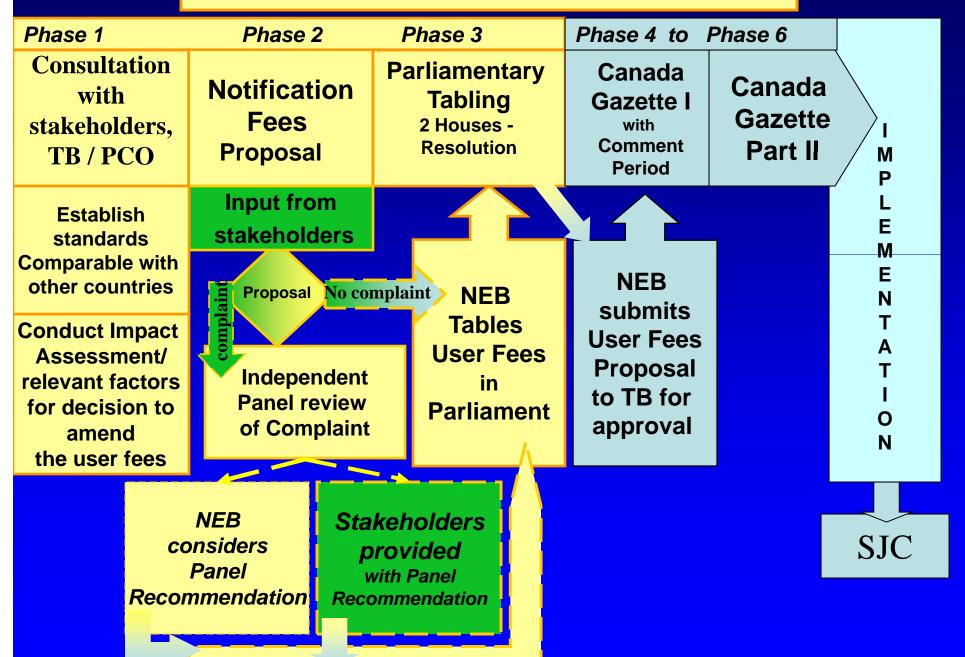
- ♦ The Constitution Act, 1867
- Statutory Instrument Act, ss. 19.1
- ♦ Statutory Instruments Regulations
- Official Languages Act
- ♦ Financial Administration Act, Chap. F-11
- ♦ User Fees Act, 2004, Chap. 6
- ♦ National Energy Board Act, R.S.C. 1985, Chap. N-7, s. 24.1
- ♦ National Energy Board Cost Recovery Regulations, SOR/91-7
- International Agreements
- **♦ The Government of Canada Regulatory Policy**
- The Policy on Service Standards for External Fees,
   29 Nov. 2004. [replace the External Charging Policy]
- Etc.



## **Regulation Process**

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5	Phase 6	
Conception and Development	Drafting Regulations	Examination by DOJ and PCO	Pre- Publication Canada Gazette, Part I	Submission Final to DOJ, PCO and TB	Canada Gazette Part II	IAI
Consultation: Interactive process	Legal drafting	Ministerial and TB approvals	Comment Period			E N T A T I O
Phases for Stakeholders Consultations						N
User Fees Act (UFA)						SJC

#### Regulation Process: *UFA* Phases





#### **Consultation Process**

The importance of the Consultation Process:

- to identify concerns
- to disclose to stakeholders information relevant to the amendment and management of an external charge
- to allow stakeholders an opportunity to provide their input and to receive timely and considered feedback from the NEB.



## **Regulation Process - Timeline**

The duration of the regulation process can vary. The process may be delayed if:

- the regulation is complex
- the issue is controversial
- the magnitude of potential impact is high
- etc.



### **Regulation Process - Summary**

- Consultation
- Drafting
- **♦** Notification of the Fees Proposal
- **♦** Parliamentary Tabling
- Forward to Justice and PCO for approval
- Treasury Board approval
- Pre-publication
- Promulgation



#### **The Regulation Process:**

#### **Conclusion**

- ➤ You will be consulted during the first 4 phases of the process
- > It is a lengthy process
- For the benefit of all the industry and all Canadians



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Thank you!

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