

1 **Q. In this Application, Douglas Bowman has suggested a change in the Basic Customer**
2 **Charge. Please provide, from Board Records, a brief history of the Basic Customer**
3 **Charge as found in Board Decisions.**
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5 A. Based on our review of Board records, P.U. 6 (1991), P.U. 7 (1996-1997) and P.U. 36
6 (1998-1999), we have noted the following with respect to the Basic Customer Charge
7 (BCC):
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- 9 • P.U. 6 (1991), pg. 79-80
 - 10 - Newfoundland Power proposed to increase the domestic BCC from
 - 11 \$14.50 to \$16.32.
 - 12 - It was noted that the BCC increased in 1990 to \$13.05 per month from
 - 13 \$10.35 per month.
 - 14 - Board approved Newfoundland Power's proposed increase.
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- 16 • P.U. 7 (1996-1997), pg. 91-93
 - 17 - Newfoundland Power proposed to increase the BCC for domestic,
 - 18 Class 1.1 to \$16.94/month and 2.1 to \$19.12/month.
 - 19 - Also proposed to introduce a new BCC for Classes #2.2, #2.3, #2.4.
 - 20 - Board did not approve increases in rate Class 1.1 and 2.1. They
 - 21 indicated that a review should be undertaken and presented to the
 - 22 Board for its consideration. The Board did approve a BCC for rate
 - 23 Classes 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4.
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- 25 • P.U. 36 (1998-1999), pg. 86-89
 - 26 - The Company proposed that there will be no increase in the BCC for
 - 27 the domestic rate and the general service rate 2.1.
 - 28 - Board approved the rate change guidelines prepared by the Company.
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30 Please see the attached excerpts from the Orders referenced above.