## **DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED**



## FORM ECSRC - Q

Quarterly Report For the period ended September 30th, 2011

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For the period ended September 30<sup>th</sup> 2011

Issuer Registration Number: DOMLEC30041975DM

#### DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED

(Exact name of reporting issuer as specified in its charter)

#### **DOMINICA**

(Territory or jurisdiction of incorporation)

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#### 1. Financial Statements

#### DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED BALANCE SHEET AS AT SEPTEMBER 31, 2011

(expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

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Assets			
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Receivables and prepayments Inventories	857 412 13 275 265 15 616 723	358 791 11 927 940 13 705 563	506 295 13 091 427 12 335 467
	29 749 400	25 992 295	25 933 189
Capital work in progress Property, plant and equipment	14 452 883 109 422 267 153 624 550	16 253 801 103 900 957 146 147 053	3 314 500 118 355 298 147 602 987
Liabilities			
Current liabilities Borrowings Accounts payable and accruals Due to related party Income tax Payable	3 675 231 11 458 617 0 1 101 405 16 235 253	3 501 410 9 466 335 1 076 130 14 043 875	9 457 507 9 537 089 135 844 1 218 452 20 348 892
Borrowings Deferred tax liability Other liabilities Capital grants	48 201 362 16 406 586 10 864 344 836 126 92 543 671	50 938 298 15 844 659 9 233 751 1 023 474 91 084 056	44 463 133 15 903 066 9 694 247 976 576 91 385 914
Shareholders' Equity			
Share capital Retained earnings	10 417 328 50 663 552	10 417 328 44 645 670	10 417 328 45 799 745
	61 080 880 153 624 550	55 062 998 146 147 053	56 217 073 147 602 987

# DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 (expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

	September 2011 \$	September 2010 \$	December 2010 \$
Revenue			
Energy sales	15 800 525	15 222 957	58 977 216
Fuel surcharge	10 463 972	7 906 797	30 108 305
Other revenue	197 820	556 937	1 733 786
	26 462 317	23 686 692	90 819 307
Direct expenses			
Operating	3 701 526	4 310 566	14 616 451
Maintenance	1 669 900	1 899 190	6 656 089
Depreciation Fuel	2 589 489 12 161 994	2 225 763 9 790 859	9 487 723 37 545 599
1 401	20 122 909	18 226 378	68 305 862
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Gross profit	6 339 408	5 460 314	22 513 445
Administrative expenses	1 928 717	2 593 232	9 717 169
Net operating income	4 410 691	2 867 082	12 796 276
Other expenses/(income)			
Amortization of capital grants	(111 209)	(88 235)	(466 057)
Foreign exchange losses/(gains)	(9 498)	(70 452)	79 003
Loss/(Gain) on disposal of plant and			
equipment	1 162 712	(20 496)	1 696 487
	1 042 005	(179 183)	1 309 433
Net income before finance charges,	3 368 686	3 046 265	11 486 843
Finance charges	(804 035)	(825 741)	(3 008 258)
Net income before tax	2 564 652	2 220 524	8 478 585
Income tax	(781 018)	(615 228)	(8 749 887)
income tax	(701 010)	(013 220)	(0 /45 001)
Net income/(loss) for the period	1 783 633	1 605 296	(271 302)
Earnings/(loss) per share	0.17	0.15	(0.03)

## DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

(expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

	September 2011 \$	September 2010 \$	December 2010 \$
Share capital			
Ordinary shares, beginning and			
end of period	10 417 328	10 417 328	10 417 328
Retained earnings			
At beginning of period	45 799 745	47 633 646	47 633 646
Net income/(loss) for the year	5 645 106	(2 206 677)	(271 302)
Ordinary dividends (declared)	(781 300)	(781 300)	(1 562 599)
At end of period	50 663 552	44 645 670	45 799 745
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Shareholders' equity, end of period	61 080 880	55 062 998	56 217 073

#### DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

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(expressed in	Eastern	Caribbean	Dollars)	
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(capresses as a	September 2011 §	September 2010 \$	December 2010 \$
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Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(loss) before tax	2 564 652	2 220 524	8 478 585
Adjustments for:	2 589 489	2 225 763	9 487 723
Depreciation Loss/(Gain) on disposal of property, plant and	2 307 407	2 223 703	7 401 123
equipment	1 162 712	(20 499)	1 696 487
Exchange (gains)/Loss	0	0	0
Amortization of capital grants	(46 820)	(30 350)	(220 684)
Interest expense	804 035	825 741	3 008 258
		5 004 450	22.450.260
Operating profit before working capital changes	7 074 068	5 221 179	22 450 369
Decrease (Increase) in receivables and prepayments	3 839 472	850 975	552 712
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	(2 528 440)	(1 273 792)	(1 560 649)
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable and accruals	(2 727 458)	896 549	(639 895)
Increase/(decrease) in due to related party	0	0	3 146
Cash generated from operations	5 657 641	5 694 910	20 805 683
*	(004.035)	(902 975)	(2.067.097)
Interest paid	(804 035)	(892 875)	(3 067 087) (8 818 312)
Income tax paid	(833 761)		(6 616 312)
Net cash from operating activities	4 019 845	4 802 035	8 920 284
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Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	$(1\ 204\ 288)$	(3 036 028)	(14 002 694)
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and			
equipment	0	20 500	54 000
Net cash used in investing activities	(1 204 288)	(3 015 528)	(13 948 694)
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Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	0	0	10 641 663
Repayment of borrowings	(1 629 616)	(1 606 081)	(7 045 802) (1 562 500)
Dividends paid	142 631	191 022	(1 562 599) 1 229 429
Increase in other liabilities	142 631	191 022	1 227 727
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing			
activities	(1 486 985)	(1 415 059)	3 262 691
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash	1 328 573	371 448	(1 765 719)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	(4 086 595)	(1 553 849)	(395 945)

## 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net profit after taxes for the third quarter was EC\$1.784 million, an increase of EC\$0.179 million or 11% from net profits earned in the third quarter of 2010.

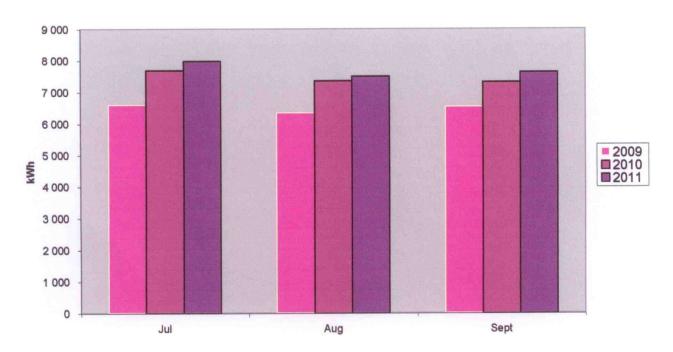
Total Revenue for the quarter was EC\$26.462 million of which EC\$15.801 million represented electricity sales net of fuel surcharge. Both total revenue and revenue net of fuel surcharge have grown from the comparable period of 2010. Total revenue was higher by EC\$2.8 million or 12%, while third quarter revenue from electricity sales was 4% higher this year.

Revenue from fuel surcharge was 32% higher in this quarter than in the third quarter of 2010 due to higher fuel prices. An increase in the fuel cost was recorded even as the number of gallons of fuel used in the generation of electricity decreased in this quarter when compared to the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter last year.

Unit sales of electricity in the third quarter totaled 23.2 GWh, 3.4% higher than unit sales from the third quarter of 2010. The Commercial and Domestic sectors reported growth of 9.3% and 2.7% respectively from the third quarter of 2011, while the Hotel sector contracted 52.8% compared to the same period last year. Sales in the Industrial sector have remained relatively even, higher by 0.6% from the third quarter of 2010.

The sales performance in this quarter was helped by improvements in customer hours lost throughout the period.

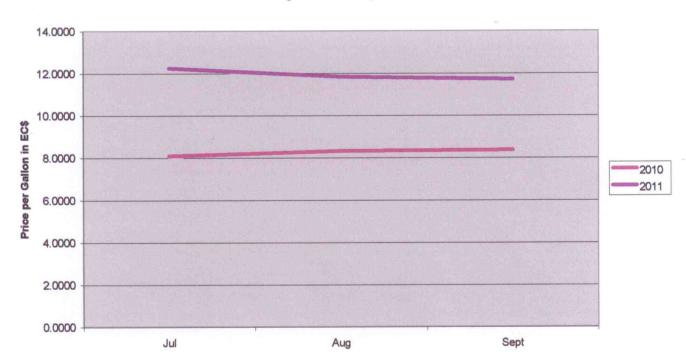
Sales



Fuel costs for the quarter totalled EC\$12.162 million, 24% or EC\$2.4 million higher than the quarter ended September 2010. The average price paid for diesel used in the production of electricity has increased steadily, moving from EC\$8.20 in the third quarter of 2010 to EC\$12.81 this quarter. In the third quarter, 949,530 imperial gallons of diesel were used in the generation of electricity, 20.5% or 244,286 fewer gallons than the same period in 2010.

Diesel generation represented 63% of total generation, down from 78% a year ago. This is as a direct result of the increased output from Hydro generation in this quarter. The full restoration of the Padu plant coupled with higher rainfall this year compared to last has resulted in output from hydro rising 67% from 2010 to 9,480,631 kWh in the third quarter of 2011.

#### Average Price of Fuel per Gallon



Direct Expenses in this quarter totalled EC\$20.12 million, an increase of EC\$1.9 million, due in the main to increases in fuel expenses. Direct expenses net of fuel costs decreased by 5.6% due to significantly lower operating expenses. Throughout 2011, emphasis has been made on identifying and reducing inefficiencies throughout the company and this has resulted in significant reductions in operating expenses.

During the quarter the company recorded a loss on disposal of fixed assets of EC\$1.2 million. This is primarily due to the modernisation of the metering infrastructure; old meters on the distribution network are being replaced with the new AMI meters.

Earning per share for the quarter stood at 17 EC cents, an increase of 2 EC cents from a year ago.

#### DOMLEC IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2011

Operating Highlights	2011	2010
Hydro generation (MWh)	9,481	5,691
Diesel generation (MWh)	16,265	20,041
Units sold (MWh)	23,157	22,397
Fuel efficiency(kWh per IG)	17.13	16.79
System losses (MAT)	9.4%	9.0%

#### (a) Liquidity

Trade receivables (excluding unbilled sales) at the end of the third quarter were EC\$9.678 million compared to EC\$8.610 million at September 2010, a 12% increase. The average age of outstanding debt moved from 39 days at September 2010 to 41 days at September 2011.

The Commercial and Domestic sectors (which together constitute 88% of the company's sales) continue to represent a large portion of gross receivables at 27% and 50% respectively. During this quarter Government's outstanding debt accounted for 12% of the total debt, compared to 11% a year ago.

The company remains in a stable liquid position at the end of the third quarter of 2011 and is confident that outstanding debt is not impaired and remains collectable.

#### (b) Capital Resources

The company has committed EC\$12.03 million during the period to acquire fixed assets and has spent EC\$11.3 million to date. This capital expenditure was partly funded from internal funds and from a now expired loan facility from a local financial institution.

#### (c) Financial Outlook

The company has revised its outlook for 2011 and now expects sales growth of no more than 1% for the rest of 2011 as signs of economic slow down on island take hold. We remained concerned about any increase in oil prices, which would further stifle sales while placing competing pressure on consumer budgets. In anticipation of the slow down in real electricity demand, several revisions have been made in discretionary spending areas. These have already resulted in significant cost savings in the third quarter and have helped dampen the effect of flat sales growth. With prudent management of resources we expect continued profitability in the final quarter of the fiscal year.

#### 3. DISCLOSURE OF RISK FACTORS.

Financial assets, which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk, consist principally of bank deposits, available-for-sale financial assets and trade receivables. The Company's bank deposits are placed with high credit quality financial institutions. Trade receivables are presented net of the provision for impairment of receivables. Credit risk with respect to trade receivables is limited due to the large number of customers comprising the Company's customer base and their dispersion across different economic sectors. Management performs periodic credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and does not believe that significant credit risk exists at September 30th 2011.

**Regulatory Environment** 

The most significant risk to which the company is exposed is the continuing uncertainty in the Company's regulatory environment.

There has been no change in the Regulatory Environment during this quarter.

The significant risk still remains that the rate of return the company will be allowed when filing for a new tariff is unknown and will be at the discretion of the Independent Regulatory Commission.

#### License

In January the IRC presented the company with a draft Generation Licence and a draft Transmission and Distribution Licence. Both these licences are for a proposed twenty year period. The company has reviewed these documents and have informed the IRC of the areas of concern. The IRC has responded to management's letter acknowledging that the company has a licence to generate, transmit and distribute electricity until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 but in that letter gave the company notice of its intent to issue further regulations.

#### **Operating Environment**

The T&D assets remain uninsured. The Government has approved the establishment of a self-insurance fund by the company. The conditions of the fund are to be finalized prior to the creation of the fund. Meanwhile the terms for a facility for storm and hurricane emergencies has been agreed with a local bank.

#### 4. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

None

#### 5. CHANGES IN SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.

None

#### 6. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.

There have been no defaults on the payment of securities during the period under review.

### 7. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS.

None

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Name of Chief Executive Officer:	Name of Director:
Collin Cover	Grayson Stedman
Corin CR	Allana
Signature	Signature
25th Oct 2011	Que 35th 2011
Date	Date