# SECURITIES ACT 2001 SECURITIES (ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTS) RULES NO. 1 OF 2002

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred on it by sections 98, 161 (a) and 162 of the Securities Act 2001, the Commission makes the following procedural rules and specifies the form of annual reports and periodic reports to be filed by reporting issuers.

### **CITATION AND COMMENCEMENT**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Securities (Accounting and Financial Reports) Rules No.1 of 2002 and shall come into force on the date issued by the Commission.

### **ANNUAL REPORTS**

# 2. Quarterly Reports to be submitted to the Commission

- (1) The Commission may require a reporting issuer to submit a quarterly financial report within thirty days of the end of each of the first three quarters of the financial year. Included in this report shall be the financial statement schedules, exhibits and all other papers and documents.
- (2) At the request of the reporting issuer the Commission may extend, from time to time, the period within which such reporting issuer is, in accordance with the provisions of the Securities Act 2001, obliged to furnish any document or information.
- (3) This report shall be in form ECSRC Q as specified in Schedule 3. It must contain the information specified in paragraphs 1-8 of Schedule 3.

# Schedule 3 FORM ECSRC - Q

(Select One)
Quarterly Report For the period ended: 30 September, 2015
Or
TRANSITION REPORT
(Applicable where there is a change in reporting issuer's financial year)
For the transition period from to
Issuer Registration Number: <u>LUCELEC09091964SL</u>
St. Lucia Electricity Services Limited
(Exact name of reporting issuer as specified in its charter)
Saint Lucia (Territory or jurisdiction of incorporation)
John Compton Highway, Sans Soucis. Castries. Saint Lucia (Address of principal executive Offices)
Reporting issuer's:
Telephone number 1-758-457 4400
Fax number: 1-758-457-4409
Email address: lucelec@candw.lc
name, former address and former financial year, if changed since last report)  (Former
(Provide information stipulated in paragraphs 1 to 8 hereunder)
Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the reporting issuer's classes of common stock, as of the date of completion of this report.

NUMBER
22,400,000
520,000
320,000

### **SIGNATURES**

A Director, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Company shall sign this Quarterly Report on behalf of the Company. By so doing each certifies that he has made diligent efforts to verify the material accuracy and completeness of the information herein contained.

The Chief Financial Officer by signing this form is hereby certifying that the financial statements submitted fairly state the Company's financial position and results of operations, or receipts and disbursements, as of the dates and period(s) indicated. The Chief Financial Officer further certifies that all financial statements submitted herewith are prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards consistently applied (except as stated in the notes thereto) and (with respect to year-end figures) including all adjustments necessary for fair presentation under the circumstances.

Name of Director:

27.10.15

Signature

Date

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Name of Chief Executive Officer: Signature Date 27-10.13 Name of Chief Financial Officer( ) ZIVA ES- PHILLIPS Signature Date 10 .

### INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

## 1. Financial Statements

- a) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at September 30, 2015 is attached;
- b) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 and the corresponding period in the previous financial year are attached; and
- c) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 and the corresponding period in the previous financial year are attached.

# 2. <u>Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations</u>

## a) <u>Liquidity</u>

The Company continued to experience growth in electricity sales in all sectors except Streetlights during the quarter under review, resulting in a year-to-date increase in sales of 4.3M kWhs from the same period last year. It is anticipated that this trend will continue through to the year-end.

As more residential customers continue to engage in the self-generation of electricity through the use of solar photovoltaic panels and energy efficiency initiatives, the Company is uncertain as to the impact this will have on electricity sales in the future, particularly if this trend extends to larger commercial and industrial customers.

The Prime Minister of Saint Lucia recently issued a statement indicating that the local economy is on the rebound. This outlook is supported by improvements registered in the tourism, construction and manufacturing sectors for the first half of 2015. If the economy continues to expand, this will have a favourable impact on electricity sales to the Company, especially in the Hotels, Commercial and Industrial sector.

# b) Capital Resources

Updates on the capital projects being undertaken by the Company are as follows:

The contract for the supply of solar panels to be installed at the Cul-de-Sac Compound has been awarded. The panels are expected to be received, installed and connected in the upcoming quarter. This project is expected to result in a decrease in electricity generated by fuel for use

by the Cul-de-Sac facility.

- A review of the contract for the refurbishment of the main administrative building is underway with works scheduled to begin in the last quarter of 2015.
- Due to unanticipated delays, the upgrading of the Communication System and the construction of the Solar PV farm will not commence by yearend.
- The contract documents for the Terminal System upgrade and the Travelling Wave locator are currently being finalised and the projects are expected to start in the upcoming quarter.

The Company is covenanted to its financiers to a 2:1 debt/equity gearing. The comparable positions for the current and prior periods are indicated below.

	30 September, 2015 EC\$ 000s	30 September, 2014 EC\$ 000s (Restated)
Borrowings		
Current	6,125	6,123
Long Term	137,726	153,073
TOTAL	143,851	159,196
Shareholders' Equity		
Share Capital	80,163	80,163
Retained Earnings	142,504	133,537
Retirement Benefit Reserve	4,765	3,430
Revaluation Reserve	15,454	-
Self Insurance Reserve	27,276	23,492
TOTAL	270,162	240,622

The Company does not foresee potential violation of those covenants.

#### **Results of Operations**

The following analysis is based on the consolidated results of St. Lucia Electricity Services Limited and its two subsidiaries - LUCELEC Cap-Ins. Inc. and LUCELEC Trust Company Inc.

Total revenues of \$239.2M for the nine months represented a 2.5% decline when compared to the corresponding period last year. This was attributable to a reduction in the price of electricity, despite the increase in units of electricity sold.

Unit sales for the year to September 30, 2015 of 251.4M kWhs were 1.7% greater than the same period last year of 247.2M kWhs. Increases recorded in the Domestic (2.9%), Commercial (1.0%), Hotels (1.7%) and Industrial (0.5%) sectors were slightly offset by a 0.6% decline in the Street Lights sector.

Gross profit for the year to date of EC\$62.3M was 2.8% greater than last year's position of EC\$60.6M due to the increase in unit sales.

The foregoing led to an increase in profit before tax (\$32.1M) of 10.7% over the corresponding period last year (\$29.0M).

System reliability performance (SAIDI) for the year to date was 7.02 hours compared to last year's performance of 5.7 hours. This deterioration was due to the island-wide power outage experienced in May 2015 due to the forced outage on one of the four (4) generators that were running at the time, resulting in cascading outages on the remaining three generators.

The year-to-date fuel efficiency achieved was 4.27 kWh/litre, which was lower than last year's performance of 4.31 kWh/litre.

System losses of 8.30% at the end of the period worsened when compared to 8.08% recorded in the same period last year.

# 3. <u>Disclosure of Risk Factors.</u>

- a) The Company is currently the sole authorized commercial generator, transmitter, distributor and seller of electricity in Saint Lucia. This monopoly position is expected to change in the area of generation with upcoming legislative reforms. The National Utilities Regulatory Commission (NURC) Bill to establish an independent regulator for the water and electricity sectors had its first reading this quarter and is expected to go through all its Parliamentary readings before year end.
- b) To mitigate the risk associated with a dilution of its monopoly privileges, a Regulatory Reform team had been established to lead this initiative; the team has developed an action plan which is currently being executed. The Company has been given an opportunity to review, comment and consult on the provisions of first draft of the Electricity Services Supply Bill and accompanying regulations and draft licences. LUCELEC's Regulatory Reform team continues to work towards ensuring full readiness of the Company to respond to the eventual reform of both the electricity and energy sectors.
- c) There are other associated risk implications for the Company including reduced demand, the possibility of stranded assets and the loss of professional staff to these IPPs. In order to mitigate this risk, the Company has been proactive in identifying certain strategic initiatives in order to remain competitive.

- d) With universal access to electricity being achieved in Saint Lucia, the Company's future growth potential is limited. Any new electricity demand is largely driven by factors outside of the Company's immediate control, such as the levels of local and foreign investment, Government policies, and the level of investment in alternative energy sources, amongst others. Management has commenced the process of putting in place the requisite legal, operational and structural systems that will allow the Company to explore other revenue opportunities outside its core business area. Shareholders gave approval to the setting up of a subsidiary holding company in 2014 to implement diversification plans. It is anticipated that some of these plans will come to fruition in 2016.
- e) The Company continued to explore and analyze the next phase of major generation capacity which it estimates will be required by 2019. A suitable location in the south of the island was identified in 2012 and is currently being leased by the Company.
- f) Fuel prices dropped to a record low during the third quarter of 2015. While the Company's fuel price hedging strategy was successful in reducing price volatility, customers have had to pay more for electricity than they would have had the Company not hedged. While the potential for reputational damage has not yet materialized, the Company has not placed any additional hedges during this period of relatively low prices. The Company is also considering alternative hedging tools.
- g) System Losses, specifically due to electricity theft, continue to be a concern for the Company, given the implications for the cost of electricity, unrecognized revenues and ultimately reduced shareholder returns. The Company has been in discussions with the Royal St. Lucia Police Force in order to obtain additional resources so that investigation of identified instances of electricity theft can be done on a timely basis.
- h) In December 2014, LUCELEC Cap-Ins. Inc., a subsidiary company, was set up to manage the self-insurance fund. The Company deemed this action necessary due to the difficulty experienced in obtaining adequate and reasonably priced commercial insurance coverage on its Transmission and Distribution assets. The Fund comprises cash resources of \$26.9 Million. The Company also has access to a line of credit of \$10 Million. Periodic risk assessments are conducted to ascertain and mitigate the impact of the most likely potential damage from a natural disaster, a critical risk in this hurricane-prone region.
- i) Credit management continued to be a priority for the Company given the local economic climate. LUCELEC continued to actively pursue its debtors by a number of measures including negotiating repayment arrangements.
- j) The Company's rate of return in 2014 of 10.02% was within the legislated allowable rate of return bandwidth (10%-14.5%) that does not require the

Company to either increase the tariff or provide a rebate for distribution. As average contributed capital increases through an increase in retained profits and profits dwindle, the result is a diminishing rate of return. Management will be focusing on cost management through increased efficiencies as a means of mitigating this risk.

# 4. <u>Legal Proceedings</u>

There were no legal proceedings during the quarter under review that would have a material effect on the Company's financial position

### **Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds**

a) Where the rights of the holders of any class of registered securities have been materially modified, give the title of the class of securities involved. State briefly the general effect of such modification upon the rights of holders of such securities.

### **NOT APPLICABLE**

- b) Where the use of proceeds of a security issue is different from that which is stated in the registration statement, provide the following:
  - Offer opening date (provide explanation if different from date disclosed in the registration statement)
  - Offer closing date (provide explanation if different from date disclosed in the registration statement)
  - Name and address of underwriter(s)
  - Amount of expenses incurred in connection with the offer
  - Net proceeds of the issue and a schedule of its use
  - Payments to associated persons and the purpose for such payments

#### **NOT APPLICABLE**

c) Report any working capital restrictions and other limitations upon the payment of dividends.

#### **NOT APPLICABLE**

# 5. <u>Defaults Upon Senior Securities</u>

a) If there has been any material default in the payment of principal, interest, a sinking or purchase fund instalment, or any other material default not satisfied within 30 days, with respect to any indebtedness of the reporting issuer or any of

its significant subsidiaries exceeding 5 per cent of the total assets of the reporting issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries, identify the indebtedness. Indicate the nature of the default. In the case of default in the payment of principal, interest, or a sinking or purchase fund instalment, state the amount of the default and the total arrears on the date of filing this report.

#### NONE

b) If any material arrears in the payment of dividends have occurred or if there has been any other material delinquency not satisfied within 30 days, give the title of the class and state the amount and nature of the arrears or delinquency.

#### NONE

# ST LUCIA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

AS A	T SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 Unaudited September 30,	Unaudited September 30,	Audited December 31,
	2015 EC\$ 000s	2014 EC\$ 000s	2014 EC\$ 000s
Assets	200 0003	200 0003	200 0000
Non-Current			
Property, plant and equipment	342,903	338,175	337,840
Intangible assets	12,585	13,933	14,142
Retirement benefit asset	4,765	3,430	4,765
Investments	172	171	172
Total non-current assets	360,425	355,709	356,919
Current			
Inventories	9,770	13,534	10,465
Income tax refundable	1,000	318	
Trade, other receivables and prepayments	75,400	78,379	129,656
Cash and cash equivalents	56,132	38,100	21,562
Total current assets	142,302	130,331	161,683
TOTAL ASSETS	502,727	486,040	518,602
Fourth, and liabilities			
Equity and liabilities			
Shareholders' equity	80,163	80,163	80,163
Stated capital	142,504	133,537	130,137
Retained earnings	4,765	3,430	
Retirement benefit reserve	15,454	0,400	4,765
Revaluation reserve	27,276	23,492	
Self insurance reserve	270,162	240,622	24,695 <b>239,760</b>
Total shareholders' equity	270,102	240,022	239,700
Liabilities			
Non-Current			
	137,726	153,073	137,725
Borrowings Consumer deposits	15,882	15,859	16,135
Deferred tax liabilities	38,279	37,743	38,279
Retirement benefit liability	1,849	1,786	1,849
Total non-current liabilities	193,736	208,461	193,989
Current			
Borrowings	6,125	6,123	15,465
Trade and other payables	25,123	30,506	28,424
Derivative financial liabilities	7,169		39,746
Dividends payable	412	328	340
Income tax payable			878
Total current liabilities	38,829	36,957	84,853
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Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors on \_

October, 2015

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# ST LUCIA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

	Unaudited September 30, 2015	Unaudited September 30, 2014	Audited December 31, 2014
	EC\$ 000s	EC\$ 000s	EC\$ 000s
Revenue	227 400	242 702	224 622
Energy Sales Fuel Surcharge Recovered	237,109	242,703 487	324,622 599
Other Revenue	2.096	2,126	3,661
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Operating Expenses			
Diesel Generation	150,568	158,821	212,618
Transmission and Distribution	26,329	25,903	34,609
	176,897	184,724	247,227
Gross Income	62,308	60,592	81,655
Administrative Expenses	(22,288)	(23,107)	(33,355)
Operating Profit	40,020	37,485	48,300
Interest income	773	1,219	1,589
Other Gains	246	27	67
Profit Before Finance Costs and Taxation	41,039	38,731	49,956
Finance Costs, Net	(8,917)	(9,734)	(12,956)
Profit Before Taxation	32,122	28,997	37,000
Taxation	8,923	8,727	10,192
Net Profit for the Period from Continuing Operations	23,199	20,270	26,808
Other Comprehensive Income:			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Re-measurements of defined benefit pension plans, net of tax	A THE STATE OF THE		1,616
Other Comprehensive Income for the Year			1,616
Total Comprehensive income for the Year	23,199	20,270	28,424
Earnings Per Share	\$ 1.01 \$	0.88 \$	1.17

# ST LUCIA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

	Unaudited September 30, 2015 EC\$ 000s	Unaudited September 30, 2014 EC\$ 000s	Audited December 31, 2014 EC\$ 000s
Cash flows from Operating Activities	LC\$ 0005	LO\$ 0003	LO\$ 0003
Net Income Before Tax	32,122	28,997	37,000
Adjustments for	02,122	20,00	. , ,
Depreciation	23,977	23,079	30,970
Amortization of intangible assets	1,736	1,627	2,180
Interest income	(772)	(1,219)	(1,589)
Finance charges	8,916	9,734	12,957
Movement in allowance for impairment		1,575	2,886
Gain on Disposal of property, plant and equipment	(11)	_	(28)
Post-retirement benefits		-	54
Operating Income before Working Capital Changes	65,968	63,793	84,430
Decrease in inventories	695	(1,518)	1,551
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	21,680	2,547	(11,035)
Decrease in trade and other payables	(3,302)	454	(1,629)
Cash Generated from Operations	85,041	65,276	73,317
Interest received	772	914	1,587
Finance costs paid	(8,784)	(9,087)	(12,830)
Income tax paid	(10,801)	(13,369)	(13,369)
Net Cash Generated from Operating Activities	66,228	43,734	48,705
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(13,585)	(19,348)	(26,571)
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	- 11	-	28
Acquisition of intangible assets	(179)	9	(1,086)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(13,753)	(19,339)	(27,629)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Repayment of borrowings	(9,754)	(9,291)	(14,725)
Dividends paid	(8,179)	(8,026)	(16,036)
Consumer deposits received, net	28	203	428
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	(17,905)	(17,114)	(30,333)
Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	34,570	7,281	(9,257)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Period	21,562	30,819	30,819
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Period	56,132	38,100	21,562