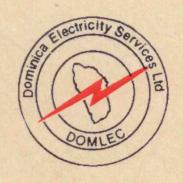
#### DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED



### FORM ECSRC-Q

Quarterly Report
For the Period ended 31 March, 2012.

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QUARTERLY REPORT For the period ended March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012

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 MARCH 31, 2012

(expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

Assets         Current assets         Cash and cash equivalents       789 586       411 200       603 2         Receivables and prepayments       17 113 522       14 033 037       15 768 3         Inventories       16 609 090       12 944 122       16 558 1         34 512 198       27 388 359       32 929 3	362 152 716 232
Cash and cash equivalents       789 586       411 200       603 2         Receivables and prepayments       17 113 522       14 033 037       15 768 3         Inventories       16 609 090       12 944 122       16 558 1	362 152 716 232
34 512 198 27 388 359 32 929 7	232
Capital work in progress       3 229 831       7 382 441       1 089 2         Property, plant and equipment       120 119 486       115 690 614       122 721 3         157 861 516       150 461 414       156 740 2	71
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Liabilities	
Current liabilities	
Borrowings 5 014 180 7 586 117 7 651 7	172
Accounts payable and accruals 14 172 367 9 889 038 11 994 2	223
Due to related party 0	0
Income tax Payable 393 632 524 063 1 259 6	512
19 580 179 17 999 218 20 905 6	508
<b>Borrowings</b> 45 335 189 47 463 133 45 335	89
<b>Deferred tax liability</b> 16 693 991 16 070 906 16 596 6	596
<b>Other liabilities</b> 11 332 524 10 290 572 10 972 4	104
<b>Capital grants</b> 755 859 929 759 789 3	309
93 697 742 92 753 588 94 599 2	206
Shareholders' Equity	
<b>Share capital</b> 10 417 328 10 417 328 10 417 3	
<b>Retained earnings</b> 53 746 448 47 290 500 51 723	737
64 163 775 57 707 828 62 141 (	)65
157 861 516 150 461 414 156 740 2	271

# DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 (expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

	March 2012 \$	March 2011 \$	December 2011
Revenue			
Energy sales	14 477 868	14 083 413	60 856 464
Fuel surcharge	9 884 960	6 781 836	36 660 982
Other revenue	165 250	177 885	799 349
	24 528 078	21 043 133	98 316 796
Direct expenses			
Operating	3 717 988	4 213 366	14 595 312
Maintenance	1 295 998	1 149 159	5 724 361
Depreciation	2 642 729	2 589 489	10 335 421
Fuel	11 615 190	8 218 011	42 927 824
	19 271 906	16 170 025	73 582 918
Gross profit	5 256 172	4 873 108	24 733 878
Administrative expenses	2 081 135	2 036 314	9 845 503
Net operating income	3 175 037	2 836 794	14 888 374
Other expenses/(income) Amortization of capital grants	(104 280)	(111 209)	(492 086)
Foreign exchange losses/(gains)	1 959	5 087	(90 377)
Loss/(Gain) on disposal of plant and			
equipment	0	1 852	1 267 548
	(102 322)	(104 270)	685 086
Net income before finance	3 277 359	2 941 064	14 203 289
Finance charges	(754 582)	(758 587)	(3 113 597)
Net income before tax	2 522 777	2 182 476	11 089 691
Income tax	(500 067)	(691 725)	(3 342 666)
Net income/(loss) for the period	2 022 709	1 490 751	7 747 025
Earnings/(loss) per share	0.19	0.14	0.74

# DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 (expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

	March 2012 \$	March 2011 \$	December 2011 \$
Share capital			
Ordinary shares, beginning and			
end of period	10,417,328	10,417,328	10,417,328
Retained earnings			
At beginning of period	51,723,738	45,799,745	45,799,745
Net income/(loss) for the period	2,022,709	1,490,751	7,747,025
Ordinary dividends (declared)			(1,823,032)
At end of period	53,746,445	47,290,497	51,723,738
Shareholders' equity, end of			
period	64,163,772	57,707,825	62,141,066

## DOMINICA ELECTRICITY SERVICES LIMITED UN-AUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2012 (expressed in Eastern Caribbean Dollars)

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	March	March	December
	2012	2011	2011
	\$	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(loss) before tax	2 522 777	2 182 476	11 089 691
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	2 642 729	2 589 489	10 335 421
Depreciation	2 042 123	2 369 469	10 333 421
Loss/(Gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	0	1 852	1 267 548
Exchange (gains)/Loss	0	0	0
Amortization of capital grants	$(104\ 280)$	(111 209)	(187 264)
Interest expense	754 582	758 587	3 113 597
Operating profit before working capital changes	5 815 808	5 421 196	25 618 994
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Decrease (Increase) in receivables and prepayments	(1 345 160)	(941 610)	(2 676 935)
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	(50 938)	(608 655)	(4 222 686)
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable and accruals	2 178 144	351 948	2 453 988
Increase/(decrease) in due to related party	0	(135 844)	(132 698)
Cash generated from operations	6 597 854	4 087 036	21 040 664
No.			
Interest paid	(754 582)	(733 346)	(3 113 594)
Income tax paid	(1 268 752)	(1 218 274)	(2 607 876)
income tax paid	(1 200 732)	(1210214)	(2 007 070)
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Net cash from operating activities	4 574 520	2 135 416	15 319 194
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(2 229 848)	(3 955 446)	(13 743 835)
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	Ó	Ó	100
Net cash used in investing activities	(2 229 848)	(3 955 446)	(13 743 735)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	0	3 000 000	6 738 229
		(1 670 602)	
Repayment of borrowings	(1 719 088)	(1870802)	(6 652 446)
Dividends paid	0	0	(1 823 032)
Increase in other liabilities	360 119	596 326	1 278 158
Increase in Capital grants	0	0	0
Not each concreted from //ward in) financing activities	(4 250 060)	4 025 722	(450 004)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	(1 358 969)	1 925 723	(459 091)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	985 703	105 693	1 116 368
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	(1 045 296)	(2 161 663)	(2 161 664)
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Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	59 593	(2 055 971)	(1 045 296)
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### 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

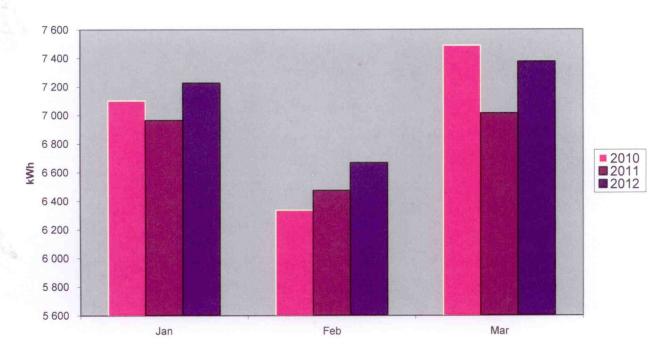
Net profit after tax for the first quarter ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012 was EC\$2.023 million, compared to EC\$1.491 million in the first quarter of 2011, an increase of 36% or EC\$0.532 million.

Total revenue for the quarter is EC\$24.53 million, an increase of 16.5% or EC\$3.48 million from the similar period in 2011. Revenue from electricity sales grew by 3% to EC\$14.478 million this quarter, while revenue from fuel surcharge increased 46%, from EC\$6.78 million in 2011 to EC\$9.88 million in 2012.

The increase in revenue from energy sales was due to an overall 4% increase in unit sales in this first quarter, compared to the first quarter of 2011. Sales for the quarter totalled 21.3 GWh compared to 20.5 GWh in 2011. All sectors reported positive growth, except the hotel sector, where energy sales contracted by 55.32%. The industrial sector experienced the highest growth of 8.96% amongst the sectors. Demand within the Commercial and Domestic sectors expanded by 7.01% and 3.44% respectively.

The increase in fuel surcharge has been driven by an increase in the price per imperial gallon of diesel and a greater reliance on diesel generation to support the increased demand for energy in this quarter as low rainfall restricted production on the hydro units.

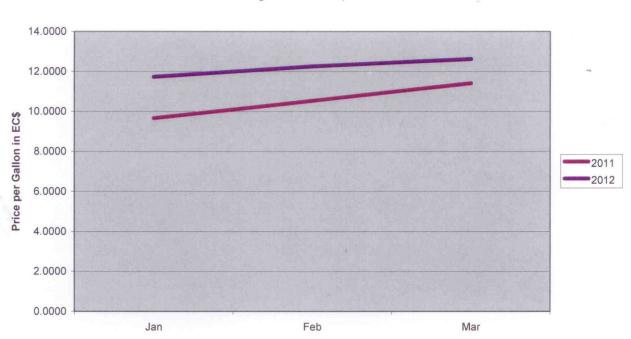




Total Energy generated in the first quarter increased by 1.8% to 23.9 GWh. There was more reliance on diesel generation which made up 75% of total energy output as compared to 2011 when 63% of total energy generated was through diesel generation. As a result, Diesel consumption increased 20.6% to 1.036 million imperial gallons.

Hydro generation declined by 31% to 6.0 GWh due to lower rainfall in the earlier part of the quarter compared to 2011. Output from hydro generation in 2011 of 8.7 GWh was 37% of total generation.

At March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012, system losses (Moving Annual Total) stood at 8.1% compared to 9.7% for the same period in 2011.



Average Price of Fuel per Gallon

Direct Expenses totalled EC\$19.3 million; an increase of EC\$3.1 million or 19%. This increase was driven primarily by a 41% increase in fuel expenses, as discussed above.

Earnings per share (EPS) for the quarter stood at 19 cents, a 36% increase from EPS of 14 cents per share in the first quarter of 2011.

#### **DOMLEC IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2012**

Operating Highlights	2012	2011
Hydro generation (1,000 kWh)	5,998	8,684
Diesel generation (1,000 kWh)	17,905	14,801
Units sold (1,000 kWh)	21,272	20,455
Fuel efficiency(kWh per IG)	17.3	17.2
System losses	8.1%	9.7%

#### (a) Liquidity

Outstanding debt due to the company in the first quarter increased as compared to 2011. Trade receivables (excluding unbilled sales) stood at EC\$9.916 million at the end of this quarter compared to EC\$8.135 million a year ago.

Debt within the Commercial sector represented the major portion of collectibles, amounting to 50% of gross receivables, while Domestic debt accounted for 25% of all debt receivables. Throughout the period Government debt remained current and accounts for 12% of receivables at the end of the first quarter, a marginal increase compared to 10.6% in 2011. At the end of the quarter 76% of all outstanding debt was current compared to 77% in 2011.

The company remains in a stable liquid position at the end of the first quarter of the year.

#### (b) Capital Resources

The company has spent EC\$2.1 million during the period to acquire fixed assets and funding of capital projects. Capital programmes are partly funded by internal funds and pre-existing long-term loan facilities with the National Bank of Dominica.

#### (c) Financial Outlook

Demand for electricity in the first quarter has been strong, with average growth across all sectors at 4%. Throughout the rest of the year, demand growth is expected to slow to between 1.5 and 2% from 2011. The company continues to closely monitor fuel prices, as rising prices could stifle demand for electricity by making the commodity more expensive and putting additional pressure on household budgets. Even so, the company expects continued profitability in the next quarter and anticipates an EPS of at least EC 60 cents for this 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 March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012.

The most significant risk to which the company is exposed is the continuing uncertainty in the Company's regulatory environment. Thus, the company has been working in good faith with the Independent Regulatory Commission (IRC) on several fronts. All of these fronts individually and cumulatively have the potential to impact the fiscal well being of the company.

#### **Regulatory Environment and Tariff Mechanism**

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 2011 the IRC presented the company with a draft Generation Licence and a draft Transmission and Distribution Licence, which the company reviewed and submitted its comments to the IRC. Both these licences are for a proposed twenty year period. The company continues to assess what is the most viable option for its licensing arrangements and intends to have further discussions with the IRC in that regard by June 2012.

#### **Operating Environment**

The T&D assets remain uninsured. The company has presented a legislative proposal for self insurance to the Government and awaits their response. The catastrophe Standby Facility which has been arranged with a financial institution to cover the Transmission and Distribution assets is still maintained.

#### 4. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

The arbitration proceedings which the company initiated against the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica in relation to the revocation of the company's licence, is presently adjourned pending the outcome of the negotiation meetings between the parties. Some progress has been made so far in the negotiation talks with the Government.

5.	CHANGES	INS	ECURITIES	AND USE	E OF PROCEEDS.
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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

CLASS	NUMBER		
Common	10,417,328		

#### **SIGNATURES**

Name o	of Chief	Executive	Officer:
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Name of Director:

Collin Cover

Grayson Stedman

Signature

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Date

Date