

Notice

24th October, 2018

Some residents, who attended the hearing on SEL's request to suspend the operation of the Price Control Order at the Seneschal's Court on 3rd September, have been confused by the wording on their subsequent electricity bills. For the avoidance of any further confusion, I set out, below, the wording of the Court Act that followed the hearing. The "appellant" is Sark Electricity.

On 5th October, the Lieutenant Seneschal wrote to SEL's advocate complaining that the description on the electricity bills of the amounts due was misleading. She instructed SEL to write to all customers to correct the error.

I have just submitted my Statement to the Court in preparation for the hearing of the Appeal. This is scheduled for the first or second week in December and will be heard on Guernsey.

Anthony White Commissioner

"The Appellant shall state on bills issued for the month of August 2018 and any other bill issued in respect of a period during which the Appellant's appeal instituted by Summons issued 31 August 2018 are pending, words to the following effect:

"This invoice has been prepared on the basis of the maximum price per kWh of 52p ("Reduced Rate"), in accordance with a Price Control Order issued by the Sark Electricity Price Control Commissioner dated 3 August 2018 ("PC **Order**"). SEL has appealed the PC Order to the Court of the Seneschal. That appeal is scheduled to be determined in December 2018. Should SEL's appeal be successful, or the PC Order is otherwise quashed, rescinded or ceases to have effect, SEL will (subject to any further order the Court may make) be entitled to charge 66p/kWh ("Standard Rate") for all periods in respect of which the PC Order was in force. SEL gives notice to its customers that it intends to invoice for all relevant periods at its Standard Rate, should it be entitled to do so. Accordingly, in issuing this invoice at the Reduced Rate, and accepting payment thereof, SEL does not waive any right or entitlement to charge at the Standard Rate in respect of the usage charged on this invoice. SEL encourages customers to make adequate provision for payment of any additional amounts and/or be mindful of their electricity consumption during this period.

This notice has been included on this invoice by Order of the Court of the Seneschal."