Pursuant to clause 46(2)(a) of the *Electric Power Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-4, Council determined the assessment to be paid by the City of Summerside Electric Utility to the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission for the 2013-2014 fiscal year to be twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.00).

Pursuant to clause 10(a) of the *Executive Council Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-12, Council authorized the Minister of Community Services and Seniors to enter into an agreement with the Government of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development, to renew the Canada-Prince Edward Island Labour Market Agreement for Persons with Disabilities for the period April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014, such as more particularly described in the draft agreement.
Pursuant to clause 10(a) of the Executive Council Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-12, Council authorized the Minister of Finance, Energy and Municipal Affairs to enter into an agreement with the Government of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Finance, to amend the Tax Collection Agreement in effect from January 1, 2004, to provide for federal administration of a new refundable sales tax credit for low and modest income households following implementation on April 1, 2013 of the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) in Prince Edward Island, such as more particularly described in the draft agreement.

Pursuant to subsection 37(1) of the Financial Administration Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. F-9, Council ordered that a Special Warrant do issue authorizing a supplementary payment (capital) out of the Operating Fund for the Department of Agriculture and Forestry as follows:

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<td>1140-05004</td>
<td>Major Restoration and Renovations</td>
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Further, Council noted that this amount will be fully offset by sequestration of funds from the fiscal year 2012-13 operating budget of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry.

Under authority of subsection 4(2) of the Public Departments Act, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. P–29 the following appointments were made:

1. Honourable Allen Roach to be Acting Minister of Finance, Energy and Municipal Affairs commencing on June 24, 2013, and continuing for the duration of the absence from the Province of Honourable Wes Sheridan.
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2. Honourable Doug Currie to be Acting Minister of Community Services and Seniors commencing on June 23, 2013, and continuing for the duration of the absence from the Province of Honourable Valerie Docherty.

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SOCIAL ASSISTANCE ACT
RATES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
(APPROVED)

Under authority of section 4.1 of the Social Assistance Act, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. S-4.3, Council approved the following changes in rates of financial assistance:

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<td>Shelter</td>
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<td>November 1, 2013</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>5% increase</td>
<td>January 1, 2014</td>
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TOURISM INDUSTRY ACT
REGULATIONS
AMENDMENT

Pursuant to section 11 of the Tourism Industry Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. T-3.3, Council made the following regulations:

1. The Tourism Industry Act Regulations (EC267/99) are amended by the addition of the following after section 4:

   Exemptions

   4.1 (1) When issuing a license to a tourism operator under subsection 2(3) of the Act, the Minister may, if the Minister considers it appropriate to do so, exempt the tourism operator from compliance with such provisions of the regulations, and for such period of time, as the Minister considers appropriate.

   (2) Any exemption granted to a tourism operator under subsection (1) shall be stated on the license issued to the tourism operator.

2. These regulations come into force on June 29, 2013.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SECTION 1 allows the Minister to exempt a tourism operator from complying with such provisions of the regulations, as the Minister considers appropriate, for a specified amount of time.

SECTION 2 provides for the commencement of these regulations.