Emera Reports 2021 Second Quarter Financial Results

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Today Emera (TSX: EMA) reported 2021 second quarter financial results.

Highlights

- Adjusted EPS increased by \$0.06 or 13% to \$0.54 from \$0.48 in 2020 driven by lower financing costs and the timing impact of preferred dividend payments, as well as from increased earnings at Peoples Gas ("PGS") and Emera Energy Services ("EES"), partially offset by lower earnings in Tampa Electric primarily due to the effects of a stronger Canadian dollar ("CAD")
- Year-to-date Adjusted EPS increased by \$0.22 or 17% to \$1.49 from \$1.27 in 2020 representing a 17% increase year over year.
- Tampa Electric filed a three-year settlement agreement, which if approved will provide additional revenue increases over three years beginning in January 1, 2022 with expected incremental increases in revenues of \$191M USD in 2022, \$90M USD in 2023 and \$21M USD in 2024.

"Our strong start to the year continued through the second quarter with solid EPS growth despite foreign exchange impacts," said Scott Balfour, President and CEO of Emera Inc. "We are also very pleased with the unanimously supported settlement agreement reached with all intervening consumer parties in the Tampa Electric rate request that positions us to continue to deliver affordable, cleaner energy while making important investments in grid modernization and resiliency for our customers. This settlement represents the successful culmination of rates cases in our three US utilities and demonstrates the strength of our strategy as we continue to lead the energy transition towards a low carbon future."

Quarterly Financial Results

Q2 2021 reported net loss of \$17 million, or \$(0.07) per common share, compared with net income of \$58 million, or \$0.24 per common share, in Q2 2020. Q2 2021 included a \$154 million after-tax mark-to-market loss, compared to a \$45 million mark-to-market loss last year.

Q2 2021 adjusted net income was \$137 million, or \$0.54 per common share, compared with \$118 million, or \$0.48 per common share, in Q2 2020.

Growth in quarterly adjusted net income was largely due to the timing of the preferred dividend declaration in Q2 2020, lower corporate interest expense and increased

earnings at PGS and EES, partially offset by lower earnings contributions from Tampa Electric primarily as a result of a stronger CAD

Year-to-date Financial Results

Year-to-date reported net income was \$256 million or \$1.01 per common share, compared with a net income of \$581 million or \$2.37 per common share year-to-date in 2020. Year-to-date reported net income included a \$124 million after-tax mark-to-market loss primarily at Emera Energy.

Year-to-date adjusted net income was \$380 million or \$1.49 per common share, compared with \$311 million or \$1.27 per common share year-to-date in 2020.

Growth in year-to-date adjusted net income was largely due to higher earnings contribution from EES and PGS, lower corporate interest expense, the 2020 revaluation of deferred taxes due to a reduction in the Nova Scotia corporate income tax rate, lower corporate OM&G, and the timing of preferred dividend declaration in Q2 2020. The increase was partially offset by lower earnings contributions from Tampa Electric, the impact of a stronger CAD, the 2020 recognition of a corporate income tax recovery previously deferred as a regulatory liability in 2018 at BLPC, and lower earnings from the sale of Emera Maine in Q1 2020.

Strengthening of the CAD decreased the net loss by \$2 million and decreased adjusted earnings by \$11 million (\$0.04 per share) in Q2 2021 compared to Q2 2020. The strengthening of the CAD exchange rates decreased earnings by \$9 million and adjusted earnings by \$20 million (\$0.11 per share) year-to-date in 2021, compared to the same period in 2020.

Outlook

Emera's \$7.4 billion capital investment plan over the 2021-to-2023 period, and the potential for additional capital opportunities of \$1.2 billion over the same period, results in a forecasted rate base growth of 7.5 per cent to 8.5 per cent through 2023. Emera is on track to invest more than \$2 billion in 2021, increasing rate base by 6 per cent to \$22.5 billion. The capital investment plan continues to include significant investments across the portfolio in renewable and cleaner generation, reliability and integrity investments, infrastructure modernization and customer-focused technologies.

Emera's capital investment plan is being funded primarily through internally generated cash flows and debt raised at the operating company level. Equity requirements in support of our capital investment plan are expected to be funded through the dividend

reinvestment plan, the issuance of preferred equity and the issuance of common equity through our at-the-market program. Maintaining investment-grade credit ratings is a priority of management.

Emera has provided annual dividend growth guidance of four to five per cent through to 2022.

Consolidated Financial Review

The following table highlights significant changes in adjusted net income attributable to common shareholders from 2020 to 2021.

For the millions of Canadian dollars		nonths ended	d Six months ended		
		June 30		June 30	
Adjusted net income – 2020 ¹	\$	118	\$	311	
Operating Unit Performance					
Increased earnings at Emera Energy Services ("EES") due to					
favourable market conditions		7		24	
Increased earnings at PGS due to higher base revenues as the result					
of a base rate increase on January 1, 2021 and customer growth		7		17	
Decreased earnings at Tampa Electric due to the impact of a stronger					
CAD, higher depreciation and amortization reflecting increased capital					
investment, a 2020 regulatory settlement and increased operating,					
maintenance and general ("OM&G") expenses. These decreases were					
partially offset by higher allowance for funds used during construction					
("AFUDC") earnings. USD earnings were \$4M lower quarter over					
quarter and \$2M higher year-to-date versus 2020.		(21)		(17)	
Decreased earnings due to the sale of Emera Maine in Q1 2020		-		(6)	
Tax Related					
Revaluation of Corporate, NSPI and Emera Energy net deferred					
income tax assets and liabilities in Q1 2020 due to the reduction in the					
Nova Scotia provincial corporate income tax rate		-		14	
Recognition of corporate income tax recovery in Q1 2020 previously					
deferred as a regulatory liability in 2018 at BLPC		-		(10)	
Corporate					
Timing of preferred dividend declaration in Q2 2020		12		12	
Decreased interest expense, pre-tax, due to the impact of a stronger					
CAD, repayment of corporate debt and lower interest rates		9		22	
Decreased OM&G, pre-tax, year-over-year due to lower long-term					
compensation		(2)		14	
Other Variances		7		(1)	
Adjusted net income – 2021 ¹	\$	137	\$	380	

¹ See "Non-GAAP Measures" noted below.

² Excludes the effect of mark-to-market adjustments, the 2020 gain on sale of Emera Maine and 2020 impairment charges, net of tax.

Segment Results and Non-US GAAP Reconciliation

Three month			ths ended	Six Months ende		
For the	e June 30			June 30		June 30
millions of Canadian dollars (except per share amounts)		2021		2020	2021	2020
Adjusted net income 1,2						
Florida Electric Utility ³	\$	125	\$	146	208	225
Canadian Electric Utilities ⁴		44		37	132	129
Other Electric Utilities ^{2,5}		-		(1)	7	19
Gas Utilities and Infrastructure ⁶		34		27	114	97
Other ^{2,7}		(66)		(91)	(81)	(159)
Adjusted net income ^{1,2}	\$	137	\$	118	380	311
Gain on sale, net of tax and transaction costs		-		(12)	-	309
Impairment charges, net of tax		-		(3)	-	(26)
After-tax mark-to-market loss		(154)		(45)	(124)	(13)
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	(17)	\$	58	256	581
EPS (basic)	\$	(0.07)	\$	0.24	1.01	2.37
Adjusted EPS (basic) 1.2	\$	0.54	\$	0.48	1.49	1.27

¹ See "Non-GAAP Measures" noted below.

Non-GAAP Measures

Emera uses financial measures that do not have standardized meaning under USGAAP and may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other entities. Emera calculates the non-GAAP measures by adjusting certain GAAP and non-GAAP measures for specific items the Company believes are significant, but not reflective of underlying operations in the period. Refer to the Non-GAAP Financial Measures section of our Management's Discussion and Analysis for further discussion of these items.

² Excludes the effect of mark-to-market adjustments, the 2020 gain on sale of Emera Maine and 2020 impairment charges, net of tax.

³ Decrease due to the impact of a stronger CAD, higher depreciation and amortization reflecting increased capital investment, a 2020 regulatory settlement and increased OM&G expenses. These decreases were partially offset by higher AFUDC earnings.

⁴ Increase due to higher operating earnings at NSPI.

⁵ Decrease year-to-date due to the recognition of a corporate income tax recovery at Barbados Light and Power in Q1 2020 and the sale of Emera Maine in Q1 2020.

⁶ Increase due to stronger operating earnings at PGS due to new base rates and customer growth.

⁷ Decreased loss due to stronger marketing and trading earnings, the timing of the preferred dividend declaration in Q2 2020, lower corporate financing costs and OM&G and revaluation of Nova Scotia deferred income tax assets and liabilities in Q1 2020.

Forward Looking Information

This news release contains forward-looking information within the meaning of applicable securities laws. By its nature, forward-looking information requires Emera to make assumptions and is subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. These statements reflect Emera management's current beliefs and are based on information currently available to Emera management. There is a risk that predictions, forecasts, conclusions and projections that constitute forward-looking information will not prove to be accurate, that Emera's assumptions may not be correct and that actual results may differ materially from such forward-looking information. Additional detailed information about these assumptions, risks and uncertainties is included in Emera's securities regulatory filings, including under the heading "Business Risks and Risk Management" in Emera's annual Management's Discussion and Analysis, and under the heading "Principal Risks and Uncertainties" in the notes to Emera's annual and interim financial statements, which can be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Teleconference Call

The company will be hosting a teleconference today, Wednesday, August 11, at 9:30 a.m. Atlantic (8:30 a.m. Eastern) to discuss the Q2 2021 financial results.

Analysts and other interested parties in North America are invited to participate by dialing 1-866-521-4909. International parties are invited to participate by dialing 1-647-427-2311. Participants should dial in at least 10 minutes prior to the start of the call. No pass code is required.

A live and archived audio webcast of the teleconference will be available on the Company's website, www.emera.com. A replay of the teleconference will be available two hours after the conclusion of the call by dialing 1-800-585-8367 and entering pass code 3794189.

About Emera

Emera Inc. is a geographically diverse energy and services company headquartered in Halifax, Nova Scotia, with approximately \$31 billion in assets and 2020 revenues of more than \$5.5 billion. The company primarily invests in regulated electricity generation and electricity and gas transmission and distribution with a strategic focus on transformation from high carbon to low carbon energy sources. Emera has investments in Canada, the

United States and in four Caribbean countries. Emera's common and preferred shares are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange and trade respectively under the symbol EMA, EMA.PR.A, EMA.PR.B, EMA.PR.C, EMA.PR.E, EMA.PR.F, EMA.PR.H and EMA.PR.J. Depositary receipts representing common shares of Emera are listed on the Barbados Stock Exchange under the symbol EMABDR and on The Bahamas International Securities Exchange under the symbol EMAB. Additional information can be accessed at www.emera.com or at www.sedar.com.

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