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# REPLY TO APPLICATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO REGARDING EXTENSION OF INTERIM RATES AND APPROVAL OF THE 2002 CAPITAL BUDGET

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TO: The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the "Board")

**THE REPLY** of the Industrial Customers to the Application of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") concerning the approval of the 2002 Capital Budget states:

- 1. With respect to page A-4 (Generation) the Industrial Customers state the following:
  - a) Under Hydro Plants Construction the Industrial Customers object to:
    - i) Replace Sump Pump No. 2 at Powerhouse No. 1 Bay D'Espoir \$46.000
    - ii) Purchase Security Surveillance System Bay D'Espoir \$35,000
  - b) Under Thermal Plant Tools and Equipment (Generation) the Industrial Customers object to:
    - i) 50% of Purchase and Replace Tools & Equipment Less than \$50,000 50% X \$77,000 = \$38,500.
- 2. With respect to page A-5 (Transmission) the Industrial Customers state the following:
  - a) Under Regional Operations Tools & Equipment Central Region the Industrial Customers object to:

- i) 50% of Purchase and Replace Tools & Equipment Less than \$50,000 50% X \$207,000 = \$103,500
- b) Under System Performance and Protection the Industrial Customers object to:
  - i) Purchase Metering Spares Meter Shop Hydro Place \$28,000.
- 3. With respect to page A-8 (General Properties) the Industrial Customers state the following:
  - a) Under Information Systems & Telecommunications Computer Operations New Infrastructure the Industrial Customers object to the following:
    - i) Provide Three LCD Projectors Hydro Place \$39,000
  - Under Information Systems & Telecommunications Computer Operations -Upgrade of Technology the Industrial Customers object to:
    - i) Replacement of Desktop Peripherals \$18,000.
- 4. With respect to page A-9 (General Properties) the Industrial Customers state the following:
  - a) Under Administrative Administration the Industrial Customers object to:
    - i) 50% Purchase and Replace Admin Office Equip less than \$50,000 50% X \$102,000 = \$51,000.
- 5. With respect to page B-2 (Generation) the Industrial Customers object to the following projects:
  - a) B-7 Perform Feasibility Study Wind Request for Proposal
  - b) B-8 Replace Unit 1 Exciter Cat Arm
  - c) B-10 Install 25 kV Distribution Line Ebbegunbaeg
  - d) B-14 Install Fault Recorder Upper Salmon Generating Station
  - e) B-15 Install Intake Stoplogs Paradise River
  - f) B-16 Replace Control Cables Bay D'Espoir
  - g) B-17 Replace Ventilation System at Powerhouse No. 1 Bay D'Espoir
  - h) B-18 Purchase Track Machine Cat Arm
  - i) B-19 Purchase and Install Continuous Emission Monitoring
  - j) B-21 Purchase and Install Closed Circuit Surveillance System Holyrood
  - k) B-22 Replace Turbine Electrohydraulic Control System Unit No. 1 Holyrood.

- 6. With respect to page B-3 (Transmission) the Industrial Customers object to the following projects:
  - a) B-23 Replace Two Air Compressors Buchans
  - b) B-25 Pave Parking Area Bishop's Falls Complex
  - c) B-31 Replacement of Poles TL215 (69 kV Doyles Port-Aux-Basques)
  - d) B-32 Purchase and Install Remote Communication Equipment BUC & STB
  - e) B-34 Purchase and Install Digital Fault Recorder Stony Brook.
- 7. With respect to page B-4 (Rural Systems) the Industrial Customers object to the following projects:
  - a) B-46 Replace 136 kW Diesel Unit No. 284 Hr. Deep
  - b) B-57 Upgrade Diesel Plant Harbour Deep.
- 8. With respect to page B-5 (General Properties) the Industrial Customers object to the following projects:
  - a) B-60 Acquire Document Management & Imaging System
  - b) B-61 Purchase Additional Corporate Applications
  - c) B-62 Purchase and Install Uninterruptible Power Supply Computer Room
  - d) B-63 Replacement of Printers
  - e) B-64 Replacement of AS400 Computers
  - f) B-66 Replace VHF Mobile Radio System
  - g) B-67 Replace Teleprotection Stony Brook Grand Falls Frequency Converter
  - h) B-68 Replace UHF Radio Upper Salmon
  - i) B-69 Complete Microwave Radio System Interconnection
  - j) B-71 Provide Global Positioning System Time Synchronization Phase 2
  - k) B-72 Install Interactive Voice Response System Hydro Place
  - I) B-73 Replace Telephone Isolation Equipment Sunnyside & Western Avalon
  - m) B-74 Replace Vehicles.
- 9. The Industrial Customers consent to an order extending the interim rates charged to Industrial Customers under Order No. P.U. 25 (2000 2001) until an order revising such rates is issued by the Board.

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