

In The Matter of the Public Utilities Act, R.S.N. 1990, Chapter P-47 (the "Act"); and

In The Matter of a General Rate Application (the "Application") by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro dated August 3, 2006

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

INTERVENOR'S SUBMISSION OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE

Interest of the Consumer Advocate

1. By Order-in-Council made pursuant to Section 117 of the Public Utilities Act, R.S.N. 1990, c. P-47, Thomas Johnson was appointed as Consumer Advocate to represent the interests of domestic and general service consumers for the purpose of hearings of the Public Utilities Board into Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's General Rate Application.
2. The Consumer Advocate's interest in the Application includes, without limitation, an interest in ensuring that rates to be charged for electricity are just and reasonable in accordance with the Act, Electrical Power Control Act, 1994, the Hydro Corporation Act and all regulations made thereto.

Disposition Advocated by the Consumer Advocate

3. In light of the recent filing of the Application and the matters and questions still remaining to be addressed in the Request for Information process and hearing process, it would be premature to advocate a particular disposition to the various issues raised in the Application.

Facts and Reasons Supporting Intervention

4. As stated above in paragraph 3 hereof, it would be premature for the Consumer Advocate to decide what facts it intends to show in evidence or for what reasons the Board should dispose of the Application of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro in a particular manner.

Participation of the Consumer Advocate

5. The Consumer Advocate proposes to fully participate in the hearing of the Application filed by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, including, without limitation:
 - (a) directing information requests to Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro;
 - (b) cross-examining of witnesses appearing on behalf of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro or any other party;
 - (c) calling of witnesses, including expert witnesses, as is appropriate in the circumstances;

- (d) making representations to the Board concerning the disposition of the Application.

DATED AT St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 21ST day of August, 2006.



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