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Consumer Advocate
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

RE: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro 2006 General Rate Application

Please find attached a copy of Letters of Comments and Requests for Public Participation that have been received by the Board to date in relation to the above captioned matter:

Letters of Comment:

- (a) Curtis Richards, The Town Manager, Town of St. Anthony; and
- (b) Holly Walsh, Mayor, Town of Massey Drive.

Public Participation:

- (a) Graham Letto, Mayor, Town of Labrador City.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 726-8600.

Yours truly,

G. Cheryl Blundon
Director of Corporate Services
and Board Secretary

Attachments

c.c. Geoffrey P. Young, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, Fax: 737-1782
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THE TOWN OF
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ST. JOHN'S, NL

September 13, 2006

Mr. Robert Noseworthy
Chairperson/CEO
Board of Commissioners of
Public Utilities
P.O. Box 21040
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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's Proposed Rate Increase

During a public council meeting held on September 12, 2006, the St. Anthony Town Council made a motion to strongly object to the proposed Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's electricity rate increase.

On limited budgets and no real opportunities to increase revenue, Municipalities such as St. Anthony will be forced to pass this increase along to its residents. Many senior residents can't afford such an increase and to make things worse they will be forced to pay an increase on their personal electricity rate. The result is a double charge for services due to increases from Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

On behalf of the residents of St. Anthony, we ask that you deny the proposed NL Hydro's electricity rate increase.

Sincerely,

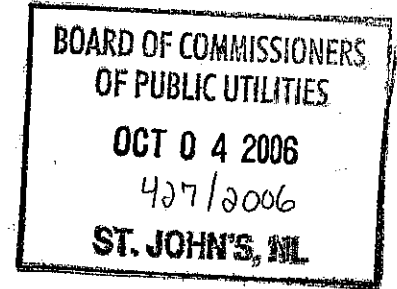
Curtis Richards
Town Manager

Cc Honourable Trevor Taylor – Minister Innovation, Trade and Rural Development
Ms. Dawn Dalley – NL Hydro
Honourable Dianne Whalen – Minister Government Services



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September 25, 2006

Board of Commissioners
Of Public Utilities
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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Town of Massey Drive, I would like to submit this letter as a protest against the proposed Hydro rate for NL Hydro.

For the past couple of years, there have been tremendous fluctuations in gasoline and furnace fuel rates based on the uncertainty of supply caused by nature's hand and war in the Middle East. These high rates are causing major havocs with our residents, both on fixed incomes and middle class incomes. With the economy as it stands now, minimum wages are slowly increasing but not aggressive enough to be able to withstand more hikes in the necessities of life.

As we all know, the crime rate is moving upwards partially due to the high unemployment rate here in Newfoundland. We are growing but not enough to be able to sustain additional rates. Our children will suffer from lack of recreation affordable to them because more monies will have to be spent on heating. Our elderly who are on fixed income are not receiving enough in pension to be able to support these hikes. As it stands now, there are people spending time at the mall so they can stay warm. All in all, the necessities of life are all increasing with very little increase in the ability of sustaining purchasing power for individuals. An alternative for oil is once again being taken away with these electricity hikes.

Please take this letter in consideration and remember as the rates of necessities steadily increase, more people are left to struggle to maintain a decent quality of life.

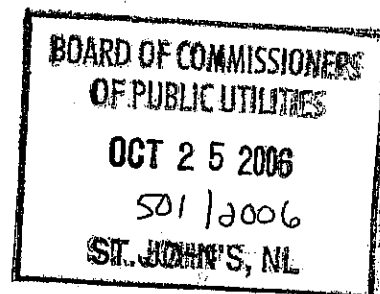
Yours truly,
Holly Walsh
Holly Walsh
Mayor

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



October 24, 2006

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
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**Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
2006 General Rate Application**

Council for the Town of Labrador City hereby serves notice of its intention to participate by way of oral submission in the Application filed by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

Recognizing the level of community participation opposed to the previous application for which increases have yet to reach full implementation, it is incumbent upon the PUB to include the Labrador West region in the notice of dates and schedule for the public hearing dealing with Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's 2006 General Rate Application.

We would appreciate notification of hearing schedule at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,


for Graham Letto
Mayor