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September 8, 2006

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities P.O. Box 21040 120 Torbay Road St.John's, NL A1A 5B2

Attention: G. Cheryl Blundon Director of Corporate Services and Board Secretary

Ladies and Gentlemen:

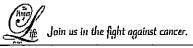
## Re: 2007 Newfoundland & Labrador Hydro Capital Budget Application

Please find enclosed the original and fourteen copies of Newfoundland Power's Requests for Information in respect of matters addressed in the Technical Conference held on September 5, 2006 in relation to the 2007 Hydro Capital Budget Application.

For convenience, the Requests for Information are provided on three-hole punched paper.

Newfoundland Power is not requesting that a formal hearing be held in this proceeding, and does not intend to present any evidence in the proceeding.

A copy of this letter, together with enclosures, has been forwarded directly to the parties listed below. An electronic copy in Adobe format will follow.



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If you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

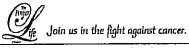
Yours very truly,

Gerard M. Hayes Senior Counsel

c. Geoffrey P. Young Newfoundland & Labrador Hydro

> Thomas J. Johnson Consumer Advocate

Joseph Hutchings, Q.C. and Paul Coxworthy (2 copies) Industrial Customers



**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Public Utilities Act*, (the "Act"); and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for an Order approving: (1) its 2007 capital budget pursuant to s. 41(1) of the Act; (2) its 2007 capital purchases, and construction projects in excess of \$50,000 pursuant to s.41 (3) (a) of the Act; (3) its leases in excess of \$5,000 pursuant to s. 41 (3) (b) of the Act; and (4) its estimated contributions in aid of construction for 2007 pursuant to s.41 (5) of the Act and for an Order pursuant to s. 78 of the Act fixing and determining its average rate base for 2005 (the "Application").

Requests for Information by Newfoundland Power Inc.

September 8, 2006

## Requests for Information 2006 Hydro Capital Budget Application

## B-24 Gas Turbine Condition Assessments, \$307,000

- NP-1 NLH To what extent has the decision by the original equipment manufacturer to stop manufacturing certain components influenced Hydro's decision to complete condition assessments of the Hardwoods and Stephenville gas turbines at this time?
- NP-2 NLH Please provide copies of all correspondence with the original equipment manufacturer and with service suppliers and user groups regarding future support of the gas generator and power turbine equipment.
- NP-3 NLH Please provide detailed reasons for the trips and failures to start experienced during the last five years for the Hardwoods and Stephenville gas turbines. How many trips and failures to start were due to failures of gas generator or power turbine parts?

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

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