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3 **P. U. 21(2007)**

4 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*  
5 *Control Act*, RSNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the  
6 “*EPCA*”) and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,  
7 Chapter P-47 (the “*Act*”) as amended, and  
8 Regulations thereunder;

9 **AND**

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11 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application  
12 by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”)  
13 for approval of rate rebates for Hydro’s domestic  
14 customers served from the Labrador Isolated and  
15 L’Anse au Loup (Labrador Straits) systems, pursuant  
16 to Section 70 (1) of the *Act*.

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19 **WHEREAS** Hydro is a corporation continued and existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*, is  
20 a public utility within the meaning of the *Act* and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*;  
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23 **WHEREAS** pursuant to s. 5.1 of the *EPCA* the Lieutenant Governor in Council may direct the  
24 Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the “Board”) on matters concerning the  
25 determination of rate structures of public utilities; and

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27 **WHEREAS** pursuant to Order in Council No. OC2007-304, dated July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007, the Board was  
28 directed in accordance with s. 5.1 of the *EPCA* as to components of the rates charged by Hydro  
29 to its domestic customers served from the Labrador Isolated and L’Anse au Loup (Labrador  
30 Straits) systems such that these domestic customers would be given a rebate on their bills; and

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32 **WHEREAS** pursuant to the Order in Council these customers will effectively be billed so that  
33 their costs for lifeline block consumption and basic customer charges will be equivalent to the  
34 rates that apply to Hydro’s domestic customers served in Happy Valley-Goose Bay on the  
35 Labrador Interconnected System; and

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37 **WHEREAS** pursuant to OC2007-304 the rebate and other associated costs are not to be  
38 recovered through rates or charges to electricity customers; and

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40 **WHEREAS** Hydro has, in accordance with OC2007-304, made application to the Board in  
41 relation to the rate rebates for its domestic customers served from the Labrador Isolated and  
42 L’Anse au Loup (Labrador Straits) systems.

1 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**  
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- 3 1. The implementation by Hydro of a rebate to its domestic customers served from the  
4 Labrador Isolated and L'Anse au Loup (Labrador Straits) system is approved.  
5 2. The rebate will be an amount credited to each customer's bill such that the basic  
6 customer charge and the lifeline energy block (seasonal) for those customers is  
7 equivalent to that charged for the same service to Hydro's residential Happy Valley-  
8 Goose Bay Labrador Interconnected electricity customers.  
9 3. The rebate shall be effective for bills issued on and after July 1, 2007.  
10 4. Hydro shall not recover the rebate or any associated costs through rates charged to  
11 electricity consumers.

**Dated** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 2007.

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Robert Noseworthy  
Chair and Chief Executive Officer

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Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.  
Vice-Chair

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G. Cheryl Blundon  
Board Secretary