NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD NO. P. U. 28(2011)

- 1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*
- 2 *Control Act, 1994,* SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the
- 3 "EPCA") and the Public Utilities Act, RSNL 1990,
- 4 Chapter P-47 (the "*Act*") and regulations thereunder;
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- 8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
- 9 Newfoundland Power Inc. pursuant to
- 10 Section 41 of the *Act* for the approval
- 11 of a Contribution in Aid of Construction for
- 12 a line extension to serve Domestic Customers
- 13 in the cottage area known as Coles Pond
- 14 located on the Southern Shore.
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WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and

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WHEREAS on December 9, 2011 Newfoundland Power filed an application for approval of a Contribution in Aid of Construction ("CIAC") for a single-phase line extension of approximately 2,060 metres (the "New Extension") to serve Domestic Customers in a cottage area known as Coles Pond located on the Southern Shore; and

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WHEREAS the customers have requested that Newfoundland Power provide electrical
 service (the "Customers"); and

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WHEREAS a CIAC of the New Extension has been calculated in accordance with Clause
5(a) and Clause 5(b) and the CIAC thus calculated is Four thousand three hundred twenty
six dollars (\$4,326.00), excluding HST; and

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WHEREAS the New Extension represents an addition to an existing line extension constructed in 2004 to serve customers in the Mobile First Pond area (the "Existing Extension") and the CIAC for customers served by the Existing Extension is Two thousand one hundred eight dollars and eighty-three cents (\$2,108.83), excluding HST; and

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WHEREAS combining the cost of serving the Customers with the cost of serving those customers served by the Existing Extension would result in an average CIAC of Two thousand four hundred forty-six dollars and thirty-five cents (\$2,446.35), excluding HST, and this would represent an increase in the CIAC for the customers served by the Existing Extension; and

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WHEREAS in accordance with Clause 5(b)(ii) of the Policy, the New Extension is
therefore to be deemed a separate Line extension for the purpose of determining a CIAC;
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11 **WHEREAS** the sum of the CIAC calculated pursuant to Clause 5(a) and the Basic 12 Investment calculated pursuant to Clause 3 is \$68,388.00 and Clause 10(i) of the Policy 13 states that Newfoundland Power shall apply to the Board for approval of all CIACs where 14 the sum of the CIAC calculated pursuant to Clause 5(a) or Clause 6(a) and the Basic and 15 Additional Investment calculated pursuant to Clauses 3 and 4 is greater than \$50,000; and

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WHEREAS the proposed CIAC is necessary to ensure that Newfoundland Power's investment in the New Extension is compensatory over the useful life of the New Extension and will not be to the detriment of Newfoundland Power's other customers.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

 The Refundable Contribution in Aid of Construction of four thousand three hundred and twenty-six dollars (\$4,326.00), excluding HST, to apply to Domestic Customers located in the cottage area known as Coles Pond Cottage Area on the Southern Shore is approved.

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28 2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 20th day of December, 2011.

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng. Vice-Chair

James Oxford Commissioner

Cheryl Blundon Board Secretary