## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

## AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. 13(2025)

1	IN THE MATTER OF the Electrical Power
2	Control Act, 1994, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1
3	(the "EPCA") and the Public Utilities Act,
4	RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47 (the "Act"), as
5	amended, and regulations thereunder; and
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7	IN THE MATTER OF an application by
8	Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for
9	recovery of the 2024 balance in the
10	Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance
11	Deferral Account, pursuant to sections
12	70(1) and 80 of the <b>Act</b> .
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15	WHEREAS Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") is a corporation continued and existing
16	under the <b>Hydro Corporation Act, 2024</b> , is a public utility within the meaning of the <b>Act</b> , and is
17	also subject to the provisions of the <b>EPCA</b> ; and
18	WHEREAC the deficition of the Indiated Colores Cond. Cod Victoria Deficiel Association
19	WHEREAS the definition of the Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance Deferral Account was
20	approved in Order No. P.U. 22(2017); and
21	WHITEREAS the approved account definition requires lively to file an application for the approved
22	WHEREAS the approved account definition requires Hydro to file an application for the approval of the account balance and disposition of any balance in the Isolated Systems Supply Cost
23	Variance Deferral Account no later than March 31st of each year; and
24 25	variance Deferral Account no later than March 51st of each year, and
26	WHEREAS on March 12, 2025 Hydro filed an application requesting approval of the allocation of
27	the 2024 debit balance in the Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance Deferral Account in the
28	amount of \$6,725,263, consistent with the methodology approved for disposition in previous
29	years (the "Application"); and
23	years (the Application ), and

WHEREAS the Application proposes that the 2024 Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance Deferral Account debit balance be allocated between Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") and the Hydro Rural Labrador Interconnected System customers based on the 2019 Test Year Rural Deficit allocation which would result in a debit balance of \$6,462,978 owing from Newfoundland Power and a \$262,285 charge to Hydro's net income; and

WHEREAS the Application proposes to transfer the allocated balance associated with the 2024 Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance Deferral Account to Newfoundland Power's Rate Stabilization Plan ("RSP") Current Plan balance as of March 31, 2025 to be recovered from customers through the RSP Current Plan Adjustment starting July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS the Application was circulated to: Newfoundland Power; the Consumer Advocate, Dennis Browne, KC; a group of Island Industrial customers: Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited, Braya Renewable Fuels (Newfoundland) GP Inc., Vale Newfoundland and Labrador Limited; Linde Canada Inc.; and Teck Resources Limited; and

**WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power advised on March 21, 2025 that they had no comments on the Application and no other comments were received; and

**WHEREAS** on March 24, 2025 Hydro noted that there were no comments received from the parties and asked that the Board approve the Application as filed; and

**WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that Hydro's proposal for the allocation and recovery of the 2024 Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance Deferral Account should be approved.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

 1. Hydro's proposed disposition of the \$6,725,263 balance in the 2024 Isolated Systems Supply Cost Variance Deferral Account through the transfer, effective March 31, 2025, of a debit of \$6,462,978 to the Newfoundland Power RSP Current Plan balance with recovery starting July 1, 2025, and a debit of \$262,285 allocated to Hydro Rural Labrador Interconnected System customers to be applied to reduce Hydro's net income is approved.

35 2. Hydro shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2025.

Kevin Fagan

Chair and Chief Executive Officer

John O'Brien, FCPA, FCA, CISA

commissioner

Stephanie Stack

Assistant Board Secretary