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<p>1 November 19, 2015</p> <p>2 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>3 Q. So we're here to deal with the pre-rate</p> <p>4 application by Light & Power. Do I have to go</p> <p>5 through all these introductions again just for</p> <p>6 the official record, is that what you're</p> <p>7 telling me by these notes?</p> <p>8 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>9 Q. Absolutely.</p> <p>10 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>11 Q. Oh, my, here we go. Vice-Chairman Whalen, and</p> <p>12 our two commissioners, Oxford and Newman. Who</p> <p>13 am I? I'm Andy Wells, Chairman. Gee whiz.</p> <p>14 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>15 Q. It's been a long fall, Mr. Wells.</p> <p>16 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>17 Q. I know. I'm suffering from - what's it</p> <p>18 called?</p> <p>19 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>20 Q. Regulatory fatigue.</p> <p>21 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>22 Q. Regulatory fatigue, or post traumatic stress</p> <p>23 syndrome, take your pick. So we have</p> <p>24 Counsellor Glynn, our Board Counsel. Cheryl</p> <p>25 Blundon is Director of Corporate Services.</p>	<p>1 Q. Okay. So I turn it over to -</p> <p>2 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>3 Q. I'll take the show from here.</p> <p>4 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>5 Q. Good. What a sense of relief.</p> <p>6 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>7 Q. Good morning to the panel and to the parties.</p> <p>8 VICE-CHAIR WHALEN:</p> <p>9 Q. Do you want to introduce the parties as well?</p> <p>10 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>11 Q. Yes, we can do that now.</p> <p>12 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>13 Q. I'll ask the parties, first of all Light &</p> <p>14 Power, to introduce themselves.</p> <p>15 KELLY, Q.C.:</p> <p>16 Q. Good morning, Chair, Commissioners, Ian Kelly,</p> <p>17 and with me Peter Alteen for Newfoundland</p> <p>18 Power.</p> <p>19 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>20 Q. And we have - I guess, we'll go with -</p> <p>21 MR. YOUNG:</p> <p>22 Q. Good morning, Chair, Geoff Young, Newfoundland</p> <p>23 and Labrador Hydro.</p> <p>24 JOHNSON, Q.C.:</p> <p>25 Q. Good morning, Chair, Commissioners. Tom</p>
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<p>1 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>2 Q. I have to interrupt you there.</p> <p>3 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>4 Q. They're not there, are they? Who's there?</p> <p>5 Oh, gee.</p> <p>6 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>7 Q. They keep playing musical chairs on me as</p> <p>8 well.</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>10 Q. You gave me the wrong list.</p> <p>11 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>12 Q. I did. I did not realize that Colleen Jones,</p> <p>13 the Assistant Board Secretary -</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>15 Q. Colleen Jones is substituting, and at the back</p> <p>16 we got Sam Banfield. I guess, that's it from</p> <p>17 the Board, is it?</p> <p>18 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>19 Q. Mike McNiven, MI, our regulatory analyst.</p> <p>20 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>21 Q. Okay.</p> <p>22 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>23 Q. And, of course, Maureen Greene, who will be</p> <p>24 retained as Board hearing counsel.</p> <p>25 CHAIRMAN:</p>	<p>1 Johnson, consumer advocate.</p> <p>2 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>3 Q. Okay, so it's back to you to deal with the</p> <p>4 procedural matters.</p> <p>5 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>6 Q. Absolutely, thank you, Mr. Chair. On October</p> <p>7 16th, 2015, the Board received a general rate</p> <p>8 application from Newfoundland Power Inc., to</p> <p>9 establish new rates for its customers.</p> <p>10 Newfoundland Power is requesting that the</p> <p>11 Board approve, among other things, an overall</p> <p>12 average increase in current electricity rates</p> <p>13 of 3.1 percent as of July 1, 2016. Notice of</p> <p>14 the application was published in newspapers</p> <p>15 throughout the province starting on October</p> <p>16 31st, 2015. Notice was published in The</p> <p>17 Telegram, the Western Star, and numerous</p> <p>18 papers across the province. The deadline for</p> <p>19 filing of interventions was Thursday, November</p> <p>20 12th, 2015. The Board has received notice of</p> <p>21 two intervenor submissions; one from the</p> <p>22 consumer advocate, and one from Newfoundland</p> <p>23 and Labrador Hydro. Counsel for the</p> <p>24 intervenors have already previously been</p> <p>25 introduced. The rules of procedure have been</p>

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<p>1 circulated to the parties and were discussed</p> <p>2 by counsel. The rules are consistent with the</p> <p>3 rules that the Board has used throughout most</p> <p>4 recent hearings. There was some minor changes</p> <p>5 relating to paper copies of documents</p> <p>6 previously filed with the Board, and we have</p> <p>7 now set time limits for the filing of</p> <p>8 undertaking requests. I'm not sure if any of</p> <p>9 the parties had any comments on the rules of</p> <p>10 procedure. They had indicated consent. I</p> <p>11 open the floor if there's -</p> <p>12 JOHNSON, Q.C.:</p> <p>13 Q. I'll confirm that.</p> <p>14 MR. YOUNG:</p> <p>15 Q. Yes, we can confirm that also.</p> <p>16 KELLY, Q.C.:</p> <p>17 Q. Satisfactory to us, Mr. Chairman.</p> <p>18 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>19 Q. The schedule of dates has also been circulated</p> <p>20 to the parties and discussed and agreed to by</p> <p>21 counsel. Following the schedule of recent</p> <p>22 general rate reviews, there's two rounds of</p> <p>23 requests for information, the first one being</p> <p>24 December 1st, following by the filing of</p> <p>25 experts reports, and then another round of</p>	<p>1 Q. Okay.</p> <p>2 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>3 Q. Thank you. Unless there's any other comments</p> <p>4 from the parties -</p> <p>5 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>6 Q. We're finished.</p> <p>7 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>8 Q. We are done.</p> <p>9 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>10 Q. We are adjourned. Do you have any comments,</p> <p>11 I'm sorry -</p> <p>12 KELLY, Q.C.:</p> <p>13 Q. The schedule of dates is fine, Mr. Chair.</p> <p>14 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>15 Q. Yeah, I thought everything was -</p> <p>16 MR. YOUNG:</p> <p>17 Q. Mr. Chair, I just have one brief comment. As</p> <p>18 you know, as you well know, Hydro is very much</p> <p>19 consumed in its own GRA right now.</p> <p>20 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>21 Q. Oh, are you?</p> <p>22 MR. YOUNG:</p> <p>23 Q. Indeed. Our participation in this is going to</p> <p>24 be as meaningful as we can make it and as</p> <p>25 useful as we can make it, but we'll have</p>
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<p>1 requests for information. There's also a</p> <p>2 specified period of time for negotiation</p> <p>3 discussion, and the hearing is scheduled to</p> <p>4 commence Tuesday, March 29th, 2016. The dates</p> <p>5 and the order of witnesses will be determined</p> <p>6 at a later date. There has been some</p> <p>7 preliminary discussion.</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>9 Q. So that's it for you?</p> <p>10 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>11 Q. Again unless there's any comments from the</p> <p>12 parties on the schedule of dates.</p> <p>13 JOHNSON, Q.C.:</p> <p>14 Q. Just a point of clarification, prior to the</p> <p>15 second round of - there won't be a filing of</p> <p>16 expert reports prior to the filing of the</p> <p>17 second round of RFIs?</p> <p>18 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>19 Q. No, there's two rounds.</p> <p>20 JOHNSON, Q.C.:</p> <p>21 Q. Right.</p> <p>22 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>23 Q. Expert reports, and then RFIs on the expert</p> <p>24 reports.</p> <p>25 JOHNSON, Q.C.:</p>	<p>1 certain challenges, we'll do our best.</p> <p>2 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>3 Q. Well, we'll work to accommodate - I mean, we</p> <p>4 try to be reasonable. That seems to be the</p> <p>5 way to proceed.</p> <p>6 MR. YOUNG:</p> <p>7 Q. Thank you.</p> <p>8 CHAIRMAN:</p> <p>9 Q. It's not a reasonable world, but sometimes we</p> <p>10 try to impose some reason on it. If there's</p> <p>11 nothing further, I guess, we can adjourn.</p> <p>12 MS. GLYNN:</p> <p>13 Q. Absolutely. Thank you, Mr. Chair.</p> <p>14 (UPON CONCLUDING AT 9:10 a.m.)</p>

1 CERTIFICATE

2 I, Judy Moss, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true
3 and correct transcript of Newfoundland Power Inc.'s 2016
4 General Rate Application heard on the 19th day of
5 November, A.D., 2015 at the Public Utilities Board, St.
6 John's, Newfoundland and Labrador and was transcribed by
7 me to the best of my ability by means of a sound
8 apparatus.
9 Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
10 this 20th day of November, A.D., 2015.
11 Judy Moss

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