

March 31, 2017

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

Attention: Ms. Cheryl Blundon
Director Corporate Services & Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re: An Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro pursuant to Subsection 41(3) of the Act for the approval of the replacement of a circuit breaker, insulators, synchronous condenser shaft seals and resistance rings, and level 2 condition assessments of the synchronous condensers, at the Wabush Terminal Station – Hydro's Reply

Following is Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's (Hydro) reply with respect to the above noted Application.

1.0 Application Background

On March 17, 2017, Hydro filed an Application for approval to replace of a circuit breaker, insulators, synchronous condenser shaft seals and resistance rings, and complete level 2 condition assessments of the synchronous condensers, at the Wabush Terminal Station.

2.0 Board Schedule

On March 23, 2017, the Board sent an email advising the parties that comments were due by March 29, 2017.

3.0 Hydro's Response

Hydro notes that the Parties did not file comments in relation to this Application.

Therefore, Hydro submits that the capital works for which Hydro has sought approval in the present Application are necessary to ensure that Hydro can continue to provide service which is safe and adequate and just and reasonable as required by Section 37 of the *Public Utilities Act*. Hydro respectfully requests that the Board approve Hydro's Application, as submitted.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO



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