

May 10, 2018

**Via Email & Courier**

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities  
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**Attention: Ms. Cheryl Blundon**  
**Director of Corporate Services & Board Secretary**

Dear Ms. Blundon:

**Re: Application of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Hydro) regarding a Motion for the Deferral of Cost of Service Methodology Issues raised in the 2017 General Rate Application to the Cost of Service Methodology Review Hearing – Hydro's Reply**

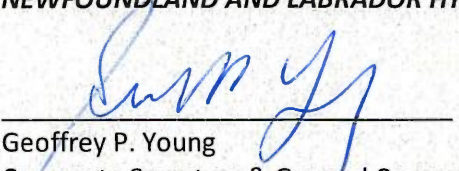
Hydro wishes to state its objection to the May 7, 2018 submission of the Consumer Advocate on the Deferral of Cost of Service Methodology Issues. Following the motion being filed by Hydro on April 4, 2018, the Board set the dates for the submissions on this matter on April 11, 2018 which set the dates for the Parties' Submissions for April 30, 2018 and for Hydro's Reply on May 4, 2018. There were no dates set in the Board's schedule for further submissions from the Parties.

In Hydro's view, fairness amongst the Parties, regulatory efficiency, the predictability of the Board's proceedings, and the avoidance of multiple filings requires that the Board's schedules be adhered to except for in exigent circumstances or where the Board determines that an exception is otherwise warranted. Neither of these factors appears to apply here.

In the event that the Board determines that the Consumer Advocate's submission will be received in the record, Hydro believes it appropriate that it be given an opportunity for a further and final reply.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

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