

## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Ronald G. Penney Chair The Muskrat Falls Concerned Citizens Coalition

Dear Mr. Penney:

Re: Rate Mitigation Options and Impacts Reference - Request for Standing Response to Letter dated March 18, 2019

This is in reply to yours of March 18, 2019 wherein the Coalition requests that the Board reconsider its position in relation to the award of costs set out in its correspondence dated March 13, 2019.

The Board reiterates that the legislation does not provide for intervenor funding and believes that an award of costs is properly made at the end of the review when all of the circumstances that bear on the Board's decision can be considered as to whether there should be an award, the amount of the award, and which party should be responsible. As such the Board will not make an award of costs at this time and will not provide a budget to the Coalition.

Please confirm if the Coalition wishes to seek standing and if so clarify the extent and nature of its intended participation. The Board notes that requests for standing were required to be filed by March 11, 2019 and as the review process is ongoing you may wish to address this matter at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Blundon Board Secretary