

1 **IN THE MATTER OF**
2 the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*,
3 SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the “*EPCA*”) and
4 the *Public Utilities Act, RSNL 1990*,
5 Chapter P-47 (the “*Act*”), as amended, and
6 regulations thereunder; and
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9 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
10 Newfoundland Power Inc. pursuant to
11 sections 58, 70 (1) and 71 of the *Act* for
12 approval of: (i) suspension of the operation
13 of the Rate Stabilization Clause in respect of
14 the inclusion of a revised Rate Stabilization
15 Adjustment in the rates to be charged by
16 Newfoundland Power for the period July 1,
17 2020 to June 30, 2021; (ii) suspension of the
18 operation of the Municipal Tax Clause in
19 respect of the inclusion of a recalculated
20 Municipal Tax Adjustment factor in the
21 rates to be charged by Newfoundland Power
22 for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021;
23 (iii) a one-time bill credit fund; (iv) a one-
24 time customer bill credit plan; and (v) an
25 amendment of the Rate Stabilization Clause.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD
REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

PUB-NP-001 to PUB-NP-006


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- 1 **PUB-NP-001** Please describe how Newfoundland Power would address each of the
 2 following scenarios and the potential impact to the customer:
 3 i) A customer cancels or transfers their service as of June 30, 2020.
 4 ii) A customer cancels or transfers their service and their final bill is less
 5 than the one-time credit.
 6 iii) A customer cancels their service before June 30, 2021.
 7 iv) Newfoundland Power connects a new customer after July 1, 2020.
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- 9 **PUB-NP-002** How did Newfoundland Power determine which customers would be eligible
 10 for the one-time credit and why was July 1, 2020 chosen as the date on which
 11 customers must be receiving service to be eligible for the credit?
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- 13 **PUB-NP-003** What would be the implications of using a start date for eligibility which is
 14 earlier than July 1, 2020, such as April 1, 2020, the date of the Order in
 15 Council, the date of the Application, or the date of the Board Order?
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- 17 **PUB-NP-004** Are there any reasonable alternative approaches for customer eligibility so
 18 that the credit is not restricted to those that were receiving service on July 1,
 19 2020, such as the use of a period for eligibility rather than a fixed date? If so
 20 what are the implications?
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- 22 **PUB-NP-005** Are there any reasonable alternatives to provide eligibility to customers who
 23 begin receiving service after July 1, 2020? What are the potential
 24 implications of these alternatives?
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- 26 **PUB-NP-006** On page 13, lines 12-13, in the Evidence of Newfoundland Power Inc.,
 27 Newfoundland Power states: *“For customers whose service is transferred*
 28 *during July 2020, their outstanding balance, including any credit, will*
 29 *automatically be transferred with their service.”* Should this statement also
 30 be included in Exhibit 3 – “Newfoundland Power – 2020 One-Time
 31 Customer Bill Credit Plan?

DATED at St. John’s, Newfoundland this 4th day of June, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Per


 Cheryl Blundon
 Board Secretary