

1 **IN THE MATTER OF**

2 the *Electrical Power Control Act*, RSNL 1994,
3 Chapter E-5.1 (the “*EPCA*”) and the
4 *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,
5 Chapter P-47 (the “*Act*”), as amended;

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8 **AND**
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11 **IN THE MATTER OF**

12 an Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for an Order:

- 13 1) approving its 2009 capital budget, pursuant to s.41(1) of the *Act*;
14 2) approving its 2009 capital purchases, and construction projects in excess of \$50,000,
15 pursuant to s.41(3)(a) of the *Act*;
16 3) approving its leases in excess of \$5,000 pursuant to s. 41(3) of the *Act*;
17 4) approving its estimated contributions in aid of construction for 2009, pursuant to
18 s. 41(5) of the *Act*; and
19 5) fixing and determining its average rate base for 2007, pursuant to s. 78 of the *Act*.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD
REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

PUB-NLH-1 to PUB-NLH-8

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1 **B-6, New 25 kV Terminal Station, Labrador City, 2009 - \$283,200, 2010 - \$3,894,800,**
2 **Beyond - \$5,812,600**

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4 **PUB-NLH-1** At what point and using what process does Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
5 intend to procure the land necessary to build the proposed extension?
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7 **PUB-NLH-2** Have the necessary easements been established?
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9 **B-17, Replace Diesel Units, Norman Bay, Postville and Paradise River, 2009 - \$169,700,**
10 **2010 - \$1,699,900**

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12 **PUB-NLH-3** Please illustrate, showing forecast load and including information on the age and
13 maintenance history of the other two units, why it is necessary to replace the 150
14 kW unit at Postville with a 365 kW unit.
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17 **B-27, Upgrade L7 Distribution System, St. Anthony, 2009 - \$689,300**

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19 **PUB-NLH-4** When was the most recent complete inspection of the line L7 undertaken?
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22 **B-28, Upgrade Power Transformers, Various Sites, 2009 - \$653,900**

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24 **PUB-NLH-5** Under which regulations are bushings containing PCBs required to be removed
25 from service by 2025?
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28 **B-29, Replace Light Duty Mobile Equipment Less Than \$50,000, 2009 - \$561,200**

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30 **PUB-NLH-6** In the list on page 2 of the report entitled “Replace Light Duty Mobile Equipment
31 Less Than \$50,000 – Various Locations” it is stated that the life of a forklift is 15
32 to 20 years, while that of an attachment may be 10 to 15 years. On page 3 the life
33 of a forklift is stated to be 6 years and the life of an attachment is stated to be 5
34 years. Please clarify.
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37 **B-31, Replace Vehicles and Aerial Devices, Various Sites, 2009- \$2,156,400**

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39 **PUB-NLH-7** In the related report it is stated that boom truck V4468 is being replaced because
40 of its mileage, which is less than 60,000 km, while the criteria for replacement
41 stated an age of 7 – 10 years or 200,000 km. Please explain why this boom truck
42 is being replaced at this time.

1 **Multi-Year Projects**

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3 **PUB-NLH-8** Among the capital projects there are a number of projects that span two or more
4 years (ie: B-4, Purchase Spare Stator Winding for Units 1 to 4, Bay d'Espoir) but
5 which do not appear on the listing of Multi-Year Projects. Please explain why
6 these projects are not listed as Multi-Year Projects.
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DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland this 19th day of September 2008.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Per _____
Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary