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Via Electronic Mail

Newfoundland and Labrador Board
of Commissioners of Public Utilities
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Attention: Ms. G. Cheryl Blundon, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Blundon:

**Re: Island Industrial Customer Group
Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's Application for finalization of Industrial
Customer Rates**

We write in reply to your correspondence of March 3, 2010.

Mr. Joseph Hutchings, Q.C., of Poole Althouse has asked us to respond on behalf of both himself and the undersigned as counsel for the Island Industrial Customer group.

We can respond to the questions posed by your correspondence of March 3, 2010 as follows:

1. As of this date, neither Stewart McKelvey nor Poole Althouse represents Abitibi-Consolidated Company of Canada, Grand Falls Division in relation to the above-referenced Application;
2. As noted in your March 3, 2010 correspondence, the Notice of Intervention filed by the Island Industrial Customer group in respect of the December 11, 2008 NLH Application for continuation of interim rates did not include Abitibi-Consolidated Inc., Grand Falls Division as part of the intervening Industrial Customers group. As also noted in your March 3, 2010 correspondence, the December 11, 2008 NLH Application had been copied directly to all the Industrial Customers, including Abitibi-Consolidated Inc., Grand Falls Division. We can confirm that Poole Althouse and Stewart McKelvey did not receive instructions from Abitibi-Consolidated Inc., Grand Falls Division to include it in the Industrial Customer group intervening in the December 11, 2008 Application. We can further advise that Abitibi-Consolidated Inc., Grand Falls Division notified the other members of the Island Industrial Customer group that it would no longer be participating as a member of that group, on February 17, 2009;

Ms. G. Cheryl Blundon, Board Secretary

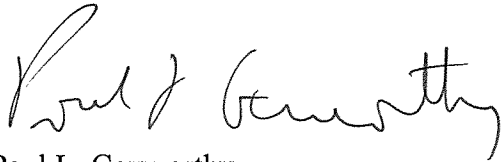
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3. Legal counsel to the Island Industrial Customers, Poole Althouse and Stewart McKelvey, would have ceased to represent Abitibi-Consolidated Inc., Grand Falls Division as a member of the Island Industrial Customer group upon the above-noted notification;
4. To our knowledge, Abitibi-Consolidated Company of Canada, Grand Falls Division has not been given formal notice of NLH's June 30, 2009 application;
5. Counsel for the Island Industrial Customers, Stewart McKelvey and Poole Althouse, have no information to date as to whether Abitibi-Consolidated Company of Canada, Grand Falls Division is, or is not, interested in intervening in the above-referenced Application;
6. The registered attorney for service in this Province for Abitibi-Consolidated Inc. and Abitibi-Consolidated Company of Canada is Mr. Colm St. Roch Seviour, Stewart McKelvey, Suite 1100, Cabot Place, 100 New Gower Street, P.O. Box 5038, St. John's NL A1C 5V3. The Board may direct any future correspondence in relation to Abitibi-Consolidated Inc., Grand Falls Division to Mr. Seviour as registered attorney for service.

Yours truly,

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