

IN THE MATTER OF
the Public Utilities Act (R.S.N.L. 1990,
Chapter P-47 (the “Act”), and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application
by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for the
approval, pursuant to Sections 70(1) and 76 of
the Act, of the Rate Stabilization Plan components
of the rates to be charged to Industrial Customers.

**Consumer Advocate
Requests for Information**

CA-NLH-27 and CA-NLH-28

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Application Concerning RSP Components of Rates Charged Industrial Customers

CA-NLH-27

With regard to the most recent draft of the report entitled Review of the Rate Stabilization Plan, please provide the following:

- (a) An update to the following Table 1 to show data for all of 2008 and for 2009;

Table 1: Customer Plan Balances
RSP Balances (\$000)

	Newfoundland Power	Industrial Customers	Hydraulic Variation	Total RSP
2000	22,684	12,056	-	34,740
2001	60,300	24,768	-	85,068
2002	92,060	32,711	-	124,771
2003	114,790	40,914	-	155,704
2004	106,570	35,986	(5,521)	137,035
2005	79,900	23,790	(10,625)	93,065
2006	20,852	(7,391)	-	13,461
2007	(2,606)	(8,829)	(14,820)	(26,255)
June-2008	7,108	(10,441)	(37,220)	(40,553)

- (b) An update to the following Table 2 to show data for all of 2008 and for 2009;

Table 2: Summary of No. 6 Fuel Consumption and Price Variation
No. 6 Fuel Consumption and Price Variation

	No. 6 Fuel expense (\$000)	\$/bbl	Number of barrels	No. 6 Fuel Price Variation (\$000)
January - December 2007	107,369	0.05	2,044,648	(5,772)
January - June 2008	81,668	0.07	1,155,275	18,119

- (c) Please develop Table 7 based on actual experience over the past 15 years comparing account balances and customer impacts (annual rate change) under: 1) current design; 2) current design with 33% of balance write-off; 3) discreet write-off of 25%; and 4) discreet write-off of 33%;

Table 7: 25% Balance Write-off of Hydraulic Variation

Hydraulic Variation Balance (NP 42 NLH 2006 GRA)							
Year	Net Hydraulic	NP		Industrial Customer		Hydraulic	
	Production	25%	Rate Estimate	Rate Estimate			
	Variation	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation	Allocation	Balance	
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(mills/kWh)	(\$)	(mills/kWh)	(\$)
1990	39,993,072	9,998,268	8,598,510	1.86	1,299,775	1.74	29,994,804
1991	(8,201,537)	5,448,317	4,685,553	1.01	708,281	0.95	16,344,950
1992	(840,909)	3,876,010	3,333,369	0.72	503,881	0.67	11,628,031
1993	(20,206,763)	(2,144,683)	(1,844,427)	(0.40)	(278,809)	(0.37)	(6,434,049)
1994	(74,052,567)	(20,121,654)	(17,304,622)	(3.75)	(2,615,815)	(3.49)	(60,364,962)
1995	(16,117,130)	(19,120,523)	(16,443,650)	(3.56)	(2,485,668)	(3.32)	(57,361,569)
1996	(32,092,623)	(22,363,548)	(19,232,651)	(4.17)	(2,907,261)	(3.88)	(67,090,644)
1997	(36,985,752)	(26,019,099)	(22,376,425)	(4.85)	(3,382,483)	(4.52)	(78,057,297)
1998	(19,549,357)	(24,401,664)	(20,985,431)	(4.55)	(3,172,216)	(4.23)	(73,204,990)
1999	(53,237,392)	(31,610,596)	(27,185,113)	(5.89)	(4,109,377)	(5.49)	(94,831,786)
2000	(71,921,789)	(41,688,394)	(35,852,019)	(7.77)	(5,419,491)	(7.23)	(125,065,181)
2001	22,444,437	(25,655,186)	(22,063,460)	(4.78)	(3,335,174)	(4.45)	(76,965,558)
2002	14,377,410	(15,647,037)	(13,456,452)	(2.91)	(2,034,115)	(2.72)	(46,941,111)
2003	9,255,346	(9,421,441)	(8,102,439)	(1.75)	(1,224,787)	(1.64)	(28,264,324)
2004	(16,258,766)	(11,130,773)	(9,572,465)	(2.07)	(1,447,000)	(1.93)	(33,392,317)
2005	(16,700,599)	(12,523,229)	(10,769,977)	(2.33)	(1,628,020)	(2.17)	(37,569,687)
2006 ⁽⁹⁾	(22,675,152)	(15,061,210)	(12,952,641)	(2.81)	(1,957,957)	(2.61)	(45,183,629)

- (d) An update to the following Table 9 to show data for all of 2008 and for 2009; and

Table 9: Utility Load Variation

Utility Load Variation			
	Variance GWh	Test Year in effect	Load Variation \$
January - December 2005	(108.9)	2004	301,200
January - December 2006	(155.9)	2004	100,092
January - December 2007	64.6	2007	253,840
January - June 2008	86.0	2007	(53,565)

- (e) Please provide the same Table 9 as requested in (d), but for the ICs.

CA-NLH-28

Please provide details of Applications relating to Aur Resources when it first came online. Did the Board initially approve “interim rates” for Aur Resources and subsequently approve final rates with the difference accumulated over the period the rates were interim refunded to the customer?