

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*  
2 *Control Act*, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1  
3 (the “*EPCA*”) and the matter of the *Public*  
4 *Utilities Act* RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47  
5 (the “*Act*”);  
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7 **AND**  
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9 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by  
10 Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”)  
11 for an Order of the Board approving:  
12 (a) its 2009 Capital Budget of \$61,571,000; and  
13 (b) fixing and determining its average rate  
14 base for 2007 in the amount of \$793,703,000  
15 pursuant to Sections 41 and 78 of the *Act*.  
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## 18 **INFORMATION REQUESTS** 19

### 20 **PUB-NP-1** 21

22 **Facility Rehabilitation (Pooled), \$1,917,000**, p. 4 of 81  
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24 Are there reasons, other than the age of the plant, why Newfoundland Power has decided to undertake the  
25 Horsechops Protection, Control and Governor Refurbishment in 2009?  
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### 27 **PUB-NP-2** 28

29 **Substations Refurbishment and Modernization (Pooled), \$4,102,000**, p. 12 of 81  
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31 Why is it necessary to replace silicon carbide lightning arrestors on transformers with new metal oxide  
32 arrestors?  
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### 34 **PUB-NP-3** 35

36 **Transmission Line Rebuild, \$4,507,000**, p. 19 of 81  
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38 In the Bonavista Transmission System Planning Study filed with the 2006 Capital Budget it is  
39 recommended that the entire 79 kilometres of line 110L be rebuilt. According to the Transmission Line  
40 Rebuild report filed with this application this no longer appears to be the case. Please explain the change  
41 in strategy.  
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### 43 **PUB-NP-4** 44

45 **Street Lighting (Pooled), \$1,646,000**, p. 30 of 81  
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47 Why, in this and in several other projects, does the 2008F, Adjusted Cost, which reflects 2008 dollars, not  
48 agree with the Total amount shown as the forecast expenditure for 2008?

**PUB-NP-5**

**Rebuild Distribution Lines (Pooled), \$3,541,000, p. 39 of 81**

Please provide a listing of the 43 feeders for which rebuilding is planned for 2009, and give a brief description of the work to be undertaken.

**PUB-NP-6**

**Feeder Additions for Growth (Pooled), \$244,000, p. 47 of 81**

Please provide the calculations which show that Alternative 3, the transfer of customer load to an adjacent substation, is the least cost alternative.

**PUB-NP-7**

**Personal Computer Infrastructure (Pooled), \$409,000, p. 69 of 81**

In the 2008 Capital Budget the total number of PCs for 2006, 2007F and 2008B remained stable at 598 units, while in this current application the number rises to 625 in 2007 and decreases to 615 for 2008F and for 2009B, while an additional 25 laptops will be installed in vehicles in 2009. Please provide an explanation for the increased number of computers being required.

**PUB-NP-8**

**2009 Capital Plan, p. 5**

Please provide a listing of the projects that are included in each of the Classifications (Normal, Justifiable), Methods (Identified Need, Historical Pattern) and Segment (by range of dollar value).

**PUB 9.0 NP**

**Section 5.1, 2009 Application Enhancements, p. 4**

Please provide examples of the “extenuating circumstances” that would cause Newfoundland Power to not require the same type of collection contact that would be required in other circumstances.

**PUB 10.0 NP**

**Section 5.3, 2009 Shared Server Infrastructure, p. 1-2**

For each purpose indicated in the report how many servers are expected to be purchased in 2009?

**DATED** at St. John’s, Newfoundland this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 2008.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Blundon  
Board Secretary