IN THE MATTER OF the *Public Utilities Act*, R.S.N.L., c.P-47 (the "Act"); and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") for an Order approving: (1) its 2010 capital budget pursuant to s.41(1) of the Act; (2) its 2010 capital purchases, and construction projects in excess of \$50,000 pursuant to s.41(3)(a) of the Act; (3) its leases in excess of \$5,000 pursuant to s.41(3)(b) of the Act; and (4) its estimated contributions in aid of construction for 2010 pursuant to s.41(5) of the Act and for an Order pursuant to s.78 of the Act fixing and determining its average rate base for 2008.

TO: The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the "Board")

INTERVENOR'S SUBMISSION

1. The Consumer Advocate wishes to intervene in the Application.

Interests of the Consumer Advocate

2. The Consumer Advocate represents the interests of domestic and general service consumers of electricity in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and therefore has an interest in Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's above referenced Application.

Disposition Advocated by the Consumer Advocate

3. The Consumer Advocate wishes to receive further information in the RFI process before advocating a specific disposition of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's Application.

Facts and Reasons Supporting Intervention

4. The reason for the Consumer Advocate's intervention is to receive materials filed in the proceeding so as to be in a position to consider whether those materials disclose any reason for more active participation by the Consumer Advocate in respect of the Application.

Participation of the Consumer Advocate

5. The Consumer Advocate has not as yet decided whether to present any evidence in relation to the Application. However, the Consumer Advocate may wish to file requests for information as provided by the *Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities Regulations*, 1996, and to avail of the right to cross-examine witnesses or to submit argument at a public hearing of the Application, all as the circumstances may require.

DATED at St. John's, in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, this 18th day of August, 2009.

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