IN THE MATTER OF the *Public Utilities Act*, R.S.N.L. 1990, Chapter P-47, as amended (the "Act"); and

IN THE MATTER OF a General Rate Application by Newfoundland Power Inc. to establish customer rates for 2010

## To: Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities

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Attention: Ms. G. Cheryl Blundon,

Director of Corporate Services and Board Secretary

I	CA-NP-349	Reference: CA-NP-345, p. 3 of 4, footnote 5
2		Please reconcile the estimate of \$640 average cost of dental coverage for
3		employees and retirees pre age 65 with the seven month total of claims paid
4		for dental as shown in Attachment E to CA-NP-336.
5	CA-NP-350	Reference CA-NP-345, p. 3 of 4, footnote 5
6		Please reconcile the estimate of \$640 average cost of dental coverage for
7		employees and retirees with the 2008 and 2007 dental claims experience
8		breakdown for dental.
9	CA-NP-351	Reference: CA-NP-345, p. 2 of 4
10		Please compare the contribution rates required by the NL Provincial
11		Government Pension Plan with the Newfoundland Power Pension Plan for

1		both the employer and employees.
2	CA-NP-352	Reference: CA-NP-345
3		Please summarize the extent to which other benefits have been subsidized by
4		revenue received for dental benefits for the years 2004 to 2009.
5	CA-NP-353	Please provide a listing of all changes in benefits provided under the Benefit
6		Plan since inception and, if possible, provide same by division.
7	CA-NP-354	Reference: CA-NP-305
8		Please reconcile the total of premiums paid by active employees and retirees
9		under the age of 65 as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 of CA-NP-305 with the total
10		revenues shown in Attachment A of CA-NP-336 for the corresponding year
11		and also reconcile these totals with the statement at CA-NP-305, p. 2 of 4,
12		"The Newfoundland Power benefits plan is cost shared by the company and
13		the employees on an overall 50/50 basis".
14	CA-NP-355	Please have Medavie Blue Cross provide statements for the Newfoundland
15		Power Group Benefits Plan showing for the years 2007 and 2008 the total of
16		premiums paid by employees on account of Healthcare Benefits, by
17		Newfoundland Power on account of Healthcare Benefits, and the amount of
18		retention paid and by whom retention is held.
19	CA-NP-356	Reference: CA-NP-335
20		Please confirm if any surpluses or deficits have been paid in respect of the
21		Newfoundland Power Benefit Plan for the years 2007 to 2009; further, please

l		provide the amounts of any such payments and to whom they were paid.
2	CA-NP-357	Please provide copies of the Group Contracts between Medavie Blue Cross
3		or related companies and Newfoundland Power related to the provision of
4		group life, health., extended health and dental benefits to active employees
5		and retirees of Newfoundland Power.
6	CA-NP-358	Reference: CA-NP-304, Attachment F
7		Please confirm that retirees over the age of 65 are advised in Attachment F
8		at page 24 that Health Benefits terminate on the termination date of the
9		Group Contract.
10	CA-NP-359	Reference: CA-NP-345, p. 2 of 4, footnote 2
11		How long have Newfoundland Power employees been able to opt to
12		contribute 1.5% of their salary to a supplementary group RRSP plan which
13		is matched by the Company?
14	CA-NP-360	Reference: CA-NP-345, p. 2 of 4, footnote 2
15		(a) What percentage of current employees are presently opting to
16		contribute to the supplementary group plan?
17		(b) What percentage of retirees less than age 65 opted to contribute to the
18		supplementary group plan?
19		(c) What percentage of retirees age 65 or older opted to contribute to the
20		supplementary group plan?
21	CA-NP-361	Reference: CA-NP-325

1		(a) When was a cap instituted in the context of the retiree benefits
2		program and what was the amount of the cap when instituted?
3		(b) If the cap was either instituted or changed in amount after the
4		inception of the Company's Retirement Income Plan in April of 1984,
5		please provide a copy of the notice, if any, that was sent to retirees
6		advising of the same.
7	CA-NP-362	Please provide a copy of any standard form correspondence or notice sent to
8		a) employees, and b) retirees from the Company pertaining to the group
9		benefits plan over the past 10 years.
10	CA-NP-363	Please provide a copy of the existing Collective Agreement of the Company.
11	CA-NP-364	In respect of the Utilities listed at Schedule A to the report on Other Post
12		Employment Benefits (Tab 4 of Vol II of the Application) please provide the
13		date each (by name) adopted the Accrual Method of Accounting for OPEBs
14		costs and please state the amount of the transitional obligation for each at the
15		time of the adoption of the Accrual Method.
16	CA-NP-365	Please file a copy of pages 29 to 35 of the Direct Testimony of John T. Browne
17		of August 1, 2001 filed with the Board on behalf of Newfoundland Power
18		pertaining to Hydro's Employee Future Benefits.
19	CA-NP-366	How many retirees does NP have who are presently over the age of 65 years.
20		Please also provide the distribution of these retirees by age.

1	CA-NP-36/	now	many retirees does NP have who are presently under the age of 65		
2		years	s. Please also provide the distribution of these retirees by age.		
3	CA-NP-368		e provide a copy of any further credit opinions/rating reports received the filing of the Application.		
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5	CA-NP-369	In re	ply to CA-NP-296 (asked on June 20, 2007 in the 2008 GRA), Ms.		
6		McShane provided extracts from various Board decisions which commented			
7		upon the evidence and recommendations of Ms. McShane. The last excerpt			
8		provided was attachment R in relation to a decision dated Mach 2, 2006.			
9		(a)	Does Ms. McShane adopt the reply to CA-NP-296 in this proceeding		
10			as being complete as of the date these materials were filed in NP's		
11			2008 GRA?		
12		(b)	If not, please provide any materials that were not provided in reply		
13			to CA-NP-296 that should have been included.		
14		(c)	Please also provide such extracts from Board Decisions filed since		
15			June 20, 2007.		

DATED at St. John's, in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, this September, 2009.

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