Q. Are weather-related delays defined in NP's contract with unionized employees concerning restrictions on outside work during inclement weather, and if so, please provide the clause?

A.

Weather-related delays are not specifically defined in Newfoundland Power's contracts with unionized employees; however, Clause 13.02 of the Craft Agreement outlines restrictions on work that can be carried out if, in the opinion of the Company, it is impractical because of inclement weather for employees to continue their normal duties.

Clause 13.02 states as follows:

13.02 – ALTERNATE WORK

If, in the opinion of the Company, it is impractical because of inclement weather for Employees to continue their normal duties, the Company may require such Employees to perform such other tasks compatible with their trade as may be available or such Employees may be instructed in safety measures and procedures, Company policies etc. Members of line crews will not be required to perform routine scheduled hotline work made hazardous because of lightning, rain, sleet, snow, wind or mist. During periods of such inclement weather work will be confined to emergency situations or to such work as can be done without undue hazards.

As per Clause 7.01 all work will be performed safely.