

## HAND DELIVERED

November 9, 2009

Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities P.O. Box 21040 120 Torbay Road St. John's, NL A1A 5B2

Attention:

G. Cheryl Blundon

Director of Corporate Services

and Board Secretary

Ladies & Gentlemen:

Re: NP 2010 General Rate Application

Enclosed herewith are the original and 10 copies of Undertaking 10 (1<sup>st</sup> Revision). The revision results from typographical errors in the original filed on November 9, 2009.

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A copy of this letter has been forwarded directly to Geoffrey Young, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro and Thomas Johnson, Consumer Advocate.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

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Senior Counsel

Enclosures

c. Geoffrey Young Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro

> Thomas Johnson Consumer Advocate

> > Join us in the light against cancer.

- Q. Please provide the long-term Canada Bond Rates for the last five trading days in October and the first five trading days in November (reference: Transcript, October 27<sup>th</sup>, Page 130, Line 14 to Page 131, Line 9)?
- The bond rates for the ten day period specified for the Automatic Adjustment Formula are provided in Attachment A. The results show an average bond rate of 4.01% and, assuming operation of the Formula for 2010, a forecast cost of common equity of 8.48%.

## **Newfoundland Power Inc.**

## **Automatic Adjustment Formula For 2010 Pro-Forma Forecast Cost of Common Equity**

Long Canada Bond Yields<sup>1</sup>

|  | 4.00% Series      | 5.00% Series | 5.75% Series |         | _  |
|--|-------------------|--------------|--------------|---------|----|
|  | Maturing          | Maturing     | Maturing     |         |    |
| 2009   | 2041              | 2037         | 2033         | Average | _  |
| Oct. 26  | 4.01%             | 4.01%        | 4.12%        | 4.05%   |    |
| Oct. 27  | 3.97%             | 3.98%        | 4.08%        | 4.01%   |    |
| Oct. 28  | 3.95%             | 3.95%        | 4.06%        | 3.99%   |    |
| Oct. 29  | 3.97%             | 3.97%        | 4.08%        | 4.01%   |    |
| Oct. 30  | 3.92%             | 3.92%        | 4.03%        | 3.96%   |    |
| Nov. 2   | 3.93%             | 3.93%        | 4.04%        | 3.97%   |    |
| Nov. 3   | 3.93%             | 3.94%        | 4.04%        | 3.97%   |    |
| Nov. 4   | 3.99%             | 3.99%        | 4.09%        | 4.02%   |    |
| Nov. 5   | 4.03%             | 4.03%        | 4.14%        | 4.07%   |    |
| Nov. 6   | 4.02%             | 4.03%        | 4.13%        | 4.06%   | _  |
| Average  | 3.97%             | 3.98%        | 4.08%        | 4.01%   | -  |
| Average Long   | Canada Bond Yield | d            |              | 4.01%   |    |
| Average Long Canada Bond Yield: Order No. P.U. 32 (2007) |                   |              |              | 4.60%   | _  |
| Change in Long Canada Bond Yield                         |                   |              |              | -0.59%  | (A |
| Change in Cost of Common Equity <sup>2</sup>             |                   |              |              | -0.47%  | (E |
| Cost of Common Equity: Order No. P.U. 32 (2007)          |                   |              |              | 8.95%   |    |
| Change from Increased Long Canada Bond Yield             |                   |              |              | -0.47%  |    |
| Pro-Forma Forecast Cost of Common Equity                 |                   |              |              | 8.48%   |    |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Yields are as reported in the Globe and Mail (*Globeinvestor.com*) for the relevant days.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  B = A x (1-.20). This reflects an adjustment in the risk premium by a factor of 0.20 times the change in the average Bond yield as required by Order No. P.U. 16 (1998-99).