

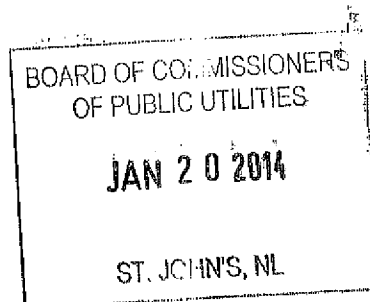


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January 10, 2014

Mr. Andy Wells, Chair and CEO
Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
P.O. Box 21040
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Dear Mr. Wells,

With the recent announcement by Premier Dunderdale to conduct a review of the provincial electrical system, the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay is calling on the Public Utilities Board to defer Nalcor's application for a rate increase on the Labrador Interconnected System until the independent review is completed.

Our community has been negatively affected by electrical system failures, most recently on New Year's Day with temperatures dipping to below -40 degrees. The situation was unnerving for many residents. Due to the importance of the Labrador Interconnected System in this upcoming review, we feel strongly that there should not be any concurrent hearing processes until such time we have had the opportunity to examine the results of this initiative.

The health and safety of our residents is paramount and at the same time the general affordability of our town is an important consideration, so this is not the time to be considering a rate increase. The results of this review could affect how people will, or will not, intervene in the rate application process. We look forward to a positive response to our request for deferral.

Sincerely yours,

Jamie Snook
His Worship the Mayor

cc Hon. Kathy Dunderdale, Premier
Hon. Derrick Dalley, Minister of Natural Resources
Hon. Nick McGrath, Minister Responsible for Labrador Affairs
Mr. Keith Russell, MHA Lake Melville