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Mr. Geoff Young
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Dear Mr. Young:

**Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Application for 2015 Interim Rates
Requests for Information - TIR-PUB-NLH-16 to TIR-PUB-NLH-20**

Upon review of the parties' submissions the Board has determined that additional information is required. Requests for Information TIR-PUB-NLH-16 to TIR-PUB-NLH-20 are attached. The parties will have the opportunity to file further submissions following the receipt of Hydro's responses.

Responses to these information requests should be filed no later than Tuesday, March 17, 2015. The deadline for submissions is two days following the receipt of Hydro's responses, no later than Thursday, March 19, 2015.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Board's Legal Counsel, Ms. Jacqui Glynn, by email, jgylmn@pub.nl.ca or by telephone, 709-726-6781.

Yours truly,

Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary

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**Towns of Labrador City, Wabush, Happy Valley-Goose Bay
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1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*
2 *Control Act, 1994*, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the
3 "*EPCA*") and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,
4 Chapter P-47 (the "*Act*"), as amended, and regulations
5 thereunder; and
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7 **IN THE MATTER OF** a general rate application
8 filed by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro on
9 July 30, 2013; and
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11 **IN THE MATTER OF** an amended general rate
12 application filed by Newfoundland and Labrador
13 Hydro on November 10, 2014; and
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15 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application
16 by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for
17 the approval of customer electricity rates for
18 2015 on an interim basis.

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REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

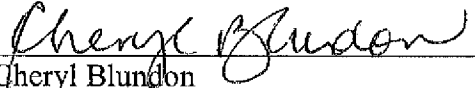
TIR-PUB-NLH-16 to TIR-PUB-NLH-20

Issued: March 5, 2015

- TIR-PUB-NLH-16** Assuming the Board does not approve the Interim Rate Application as proposed by Hydro and there are no changes to base rates or to the Rate Stabilization Plan methodology, what is the estimated impact on the July 1, 2015 Rate Stabilization Plan adjustment to Newfoundland Power Inc. rates and the average rates charged to Newfoundland Power Inc. customers? Provide supporting information regarding the forecast price per barrel of No. 6 fuel, the calculation of the current balance at March 31, 2015 in the NP Rate Stabilization Plan, the Adjustment and Financing included for April, May and June 2015, and the calculation of the Fuel Rider. As the March month end forecast may not be available the February 2015 month end forecast may be used for purposes of the calculation.
- TIR-PUB-NLH-17** Assuming that the Board approves, effective July 1, 2015, a 10% base rate increase for Island Industrial customers on an interim basis, and the use of only the RSP Surplus to partially offset this increase for an effective rate increase to Island Industrial customers of 2.7%, and assuming approval of no other changes what would be the impact on the IC RSP Surplus?
- TIR-PUB-NLH-18** Assuming that the Board approves, effective July 1, 2015, a 5% increase in the base rate to Newfoundland Power Inc., on an interim basis, the continuation of the currently approved Rate Stabilization Plan and cost of service methodology, and assuming approval of no other proposed changes, what would be the estimated overall rate impact for Newfoundland Power Inc. and for its customers at July 1, 2015? Show the impact on the base rate and the Rate Stabilization Plan adjustment, providing supporting information regarding the forecast price per barrel of No. 6 fuel, the calculation of the current balance at March 31, 2015 in the NP Rate Stabilization Plan, the Adjustment and Financing included for April, May and June 2015, and the calculation of the Fuel Rider. Explain any assumptions made to complete this exercise. As the March month end forecast may not be available the February 2015 month end forecast may be used for purposes of the calculation. Provide the same information for a 3%, an 8% and an 11.2% increase in the base rate to Newfoundland Power Inc.
- TIR-PUB-NLH-19** Assume that the Board approves, effective July 1, 2015, an interim base rate increase which is 50% of the rates that Hydro proposes and continuation of currently approved Rate Stabilization Plan and cost of service methodology, with no other changes, provide the estimated impact on Hydro's 2015 revenue requirement and rate of return.
- TIR-PUB-NLH-20** In a chart provide the actual monthly load for 2014 for each of the Industrial Customers and the most recent monthly load forecast for 2015 and for 2016 for each of the Industrial Customers, showing the percentage each is of the total annual figure.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland this 5th day of March, 2015.

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Per 
Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary