

## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Mr. Gerard Hayes Newfoundland Power Inc. 55 Kenmount Road P.O. Box 8910 St. John's, NL A1B 3P6

Dear Sir:

Re: Newfoundland Power Inc. - Supplemental Capital Expenditure - Thermal Generation Refurbishment - Request for Information

Enclosed are Information Requests PUB-NP-001 to PUB-NP-002 regarding the above-noted matter.

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

Yours truly,

Cheryl-Blundon Board Secretary

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1	IN THE MATTER OF
2	the Electrical Power Control Act, 1994,
3	SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the "EPCA")
4	and the Public Utilities Act, RSNL 1990,
5	Chapter P-47 (the "Act"), as amended; and
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7	IN THE MATTER OF an Application by
8	Newfoundland Power Inc. for approval
9	to proceed with the construction and purchase of
10	certain improvements and additions to its property
11	pursuant to Section 41(3) of the Act.

## PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

PUB-NP-001 to PUB-NP-002

**Issued: June 18, 2014** 

1 2 3	PUB-NP-001	In the report, <i>Thermal Generation Refurbishment, June 2014</i> , page 7, Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") states that:
4 5 6 7		"Based on the engineering assessments completed in 2014, refurbishment of the Wesleyville and Greenhill gas turbines is necessary for their continued safe and reliable operation in the immediate term."
8 9 10		Newfoundland Power Inc. continues, in the next paragraph, by saying:
11 12 13		"Because of the age of the 2 systems, a further review is necessary to determine the long-term viability of continued investment in these assets."
14 15 16 17 18		Since Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro has received approval from the Board to increase its capacity on the Island Interconnected System by the addition of a 100 MW CT unit, why does Newfoundland Power consider it necessary to spend \$1,345,000 on the Wesleyville Gas Turbine in order to
19 20 21 22	PUB-NP-002	In the report, <i>Thermal Generation Refurbishment, June 2014</i> , page 5, Newfoundland Power states that:
23 24 25 26		"Previous repairs were unsuccessful in eliminating the vibration problem entirely."
27 28		What assurances are available to Newfoundland Power that the planned overhaul of the unit will address the vibration issue?

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014.

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Cheryl Blundon

Board Secretary