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The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities Prince Charles Building 120 Torbay Road, P.O. Box 21040 St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador A1A 5B2

Attention:

Ms. Cheryl Blundon

**Director Corporate Services & Board Secretary** 

Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re: An Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for the approval of the Rate Stabilization Plan rules and components of the rates to be charged to Industrial Customers - Revisions

Enclosed please find an original plus nine copies of the following revisions with regard to the abovenoted application. Please note for ease of reference, the revisions have been shaded.

- Hydro's response to Request for Information V-NLH-3 (Rev 1) correction in the year at line 23, page 1 of 2; and
- July 2013 Rate Stabilization Plan Evidence, page 11, Table 3 (Rev 1) corrections in Teck IC
   Phase-In Rates Effective September 1, 2014 (Energy and Demand).

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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1	Q.	Pages 6 and 16 of the Grant Thornton report which is included in the IC RSP			
2		application, discuss the 1986 method for allocating the fuel component of the load			
3		variation. Page 6, lines 24 - 28 reads:			
4		"According to the March 26, 1986 letter from Hydro, it was noted that the			
5		calculation of the plan balances for the retail and Industrial Customers would be			
6		prepared monthly. The letter indicated that Hydro would recalculate the 1986 cost			
7		of service by customer, replacing the 1986 costs with the actual costs as they			
8		became available, related to any changes which may occur in both firm and			
9		secondary loads, hydro production and/or fuel prices."			
10		Page 16, lines 29 - 33 relate the RSP changes that occurred following the 2003 GRA.			
11		The report states:			
12		" <u>Load Variation Component</u>			
13		The change in this component of the RSP was to treat the fuel costs component of			
14		the load variation in the same manner as the revenue component. The revenue			
15		variation component is assigned to the customer class which caused the variation,			
16		however previously the fuel cost variation was treated as common costs and shared			
17		proportionately among the customer classes regardless of the class that caused the			
18		variation. It was allocated using customer energy ratios."			
19		How does the allocation method which Hydro is currently proposing differ from the			
20		method that was used prior to 2004?			
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23	A.	The allocation methods that Hydro was using effective January 1, 2014 and prior			
24		are contained in Hydro's 2006 RSP Report, page 13, Table 7 (Appendix B in Hydro's			
25		July 2013 Rate Stabilization Plan Evidence). Table 7 is shown below and has been			
26		updated with Hydro's proposed, effective September 1, 2013, RSP load variation			
27		treatment.			

## V-NLH-3, Rev 1 September 9, 2013 RSP Rules and Components to be charged to Industrial Customers

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Change	Previous	Effective September 1, 2002 Order No. P.U. 7 (2002-2003)	Effective January 1, 2004 Order No. P.U. 40(2004)	Proposed Effective September 1, 2013
Fuel Component of	Cost of	Energy allocation	100% where	Energy
Load Variation	service allocation	ratios	incurred	allocation ratios
Revenue Component of	100% where	100% where	100% where	Energy
Load Variation	incurred	incurred	incurred	allocation ratios
Recovery Period	Perpetual or	Discrete 2-year	Discrete 1-year	Discrete 1-year
	rolling 3-year	write-off	write-off	write-off