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Dear Sirs/Madam:

**Re: The Board's Investigation and Hearing into Supply Issues and Power Outages on the Island Interconnected System- Revised Schedule**

This is further to correspondence dated October 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 wherein the Board advised that, due to delays in receiving information from Hydro, this matter would now proceed in two phases.

Phase One will focus on the adequate and reliable supply of power on the Island Interconnected system for the upcoming winter seasons until the interconnection with Muskrat Falls. The issues to be considered will include:

1. causes of the December 2013 and 2014 supply issues and power outages;
2. the response by Newfoundland Hydro and Newfoundland Power, including emergency preparedness and rotating outages;

3. customer service strategies, including customer communications;
4. response and actions in relation to the findings of the Board in its Interim Report;
5. asset management practices of both utilities;
6. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's load forecasting practices;
7. adequacy of utility resources to operate and maintain the Island Interconnected system;
8. governance and decision making at Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro;
9. coordination between the utilities; and
10. the role of conservation and demand side management in load management on the Island Interconnected system.

The anticipated schedule for Phase One is set out below:

November 13, 2014	Responses to RFIs
December 19, 2014	Liberty's Report on Phase One
Early January 2015	RFIs on Liberty's Report and notice of intention to file expert reports
Mid-January 2015	Schedule will be established for the remainder of the process, which may include: i) RFI's on Liberty report, ii) filing of expert reports, iii) RFIs on experts reports, iv) public hearing v) Board's Report

Phase Two will focus on the implications of the interconnection with Muskrat Falls on reliability and adequacy of the Island Interconnected system. The following issues are expected to be addressed in this phase of the proceeding:

1. the impact of the interconnection with Muskrat Fall on the Island Interconnected system;
2. Island Interconnected system structure and operations;
3. the impact of the Maritime Link, including the availability of power over the Maritime Link; and
4. risk management.

The schedule for Phase Two will be addressed in subsequent correspondence though it is expected that some aspects of Phase Two will proceed concurrently with Phase One.

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

Yours truly,



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