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Dear Mr. Browne:

**Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro – 2020 Capital Budget Application – Consumer Advocate's Request for Technical Conference**

The Board is now in receipt of the responses to the requests for information ("RFIs") filed by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") in relation to its 2020 Capital Budget Application ("Application"). In the Consumer Advocate's intervenor submission, filed on September 4, 2019, a technical conference was requested. Given the information filed in response to the RFIs, the Board requests that the Consumer Advocate confirm whether a technical conference is required. If the request for a technical conference is confirmed, the Consumer Advocate will be required to provide a list of proposed projects or areas of concerns to be addressed at the technical conference. This list must be provided to the Board by **Friday, October 25, 2019**. Should Newfoundland Power or the Industrial Customer Group wish to participate and ask questions at the conference, a list of projects and areas of concern should be provided by the same date.

The Board notes the scheduled dates for comments and reply will be delayed if a technical conference is convened. Given the remaining steps in the process for the review of the Application and the need for a Board order prior to year end, a technical conference, if required, will be scheduled as quickly as possible and parties will be expected to be available for the scheduled dates. The Board requests that the parties continue to reserve the two weeks that had been scheduled for the cost of service hearing for possible technical conferences for both utilities.

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

Sincerely,

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