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Dear Ms. Walsh:

Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro - 2021 Capital Budget Supplemental Application Approval of the Construction of Phase 1 of Hydro's Long-term Supply Plan for Southern Labrador - Follow up to Board's Letter Dated May 16, 2022

This is in follow up to the Board's recent correspondence, dated May 16, 2022, confirming that Hydro is required to provide additional information with respect to this application. Given this determination, the Board is writing to ask that Hydro now confirm that there are no additional steps required to ensure the continued provision of safe and reliable service to the Town of Charlottetown and to Pinsent's Arm until this matter is concluded.

The Board notes that it received correspondence from the Town of Charlottetown, dated April 11, 2022, setting out concerns relating to the area continuing "without a proper power station" and stating that the area is "in need of new stable power solution now." Subsequently, Hydro advised in correspondence, dated April 26, 2022, that it had completed all work that can reasonably be undertaken to reinforce the mobile generating units in Charlottetown. The Board asks that Hydro confirm that this continues to be the case and whether there are additional steps which should be taken considering the Board's subsequent determination that more information is required before this matter can proceed.

The Board asks Hydro to provide an update on the efforts to maintain safe, reliable service to these communities while this matter is ongoing. Hydro should advise as to the expected timelines for the provision of the required information and the impact on the timeline for the implementation of a long term solution for Charlottetown which was planned for September, 2024. In addition Hydro should address whether additional work will be required to allow for the provision of safe and reliable service to these communities beyond September, 2024 if a long-term solution cannot be implemented by that date.

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

Yours truly,

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