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Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
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Attention: Jo-Anne Galarneau
Executive Director and Board Secretary

Re: Newfoundland Power's July 1, 2024 Customer Rates Application – Request for Information

While the review schedule for this matter has not yet been set, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") wishes to advise that it has a request for information pertaining to Newfoundland Power Inc.'s request for July 1, 2024 Customer Rates. Hydro is providing the request for information, NLH-NP-001 attached hereto, in the interests of time, so as to not delay the review of the application.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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IN THE MATTER OF the *Public Utilities Act*, R.S.N.L. 1990, Chapter P-47, as amended, (the “Act”); and

IN THE MATTER OF an application pursuant to section 70 of the Act (the “Application”) by Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”) for approval of: (i) the rate stabilization and municipal tax adjustments to be applied to electricity rates for the period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025; and (ii) a schedule of customer electricity rates (“Customer Rates”) for Newfoundland Power, to be effective on July 1, 2024.

Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro

Request for Information

NLH-NP-001

June 14, 2024

1 **NLH-NP-001** In 2022, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) advised the Board of
 2 Commissioners of Public Utilities (“Board”) that, without intervention, the rate increase
 3 for the Island Industrial Customers through the annual Rate Stabilization Plan (“RSP”)
 4 Adjustment would be approximately 23.6% due to the RSP Current Plan balance and the
 5 elimination of the RSP Fuel Rider. Hydro, in consultations with the Island Industrial
 6 Customers, filed a proposal with the Board that would materially reduce the rate increase
 7 for 2022 and allow the recovery of the RSP Current Plan balance over two years. Hydro
 8 believed this would contribute to rate stability, mitigate rate shock and achieve
 9 intergenerational equity through the use of a reasonable recovery period for the RSP
 10 Current Plan balance. Hydro's proposal was approved in Board Order No. P.U. 5(2022).

- 11 a) Has Newfoundland Power considered smoothing rate impacts for customers? If not,
 12 why not?
- 13 b) Please provide the breakdown of the total rate change by component per year:

Component	July 1, 2024 (%)	July 1, 2025 (%)	July 1, 2026 (%)	July 1, 2027 (%)
Excess Earnings				
Return on Rate Base Filing				
General Rate Application Filing				
Rate Stabilization Account				
Municipal Tax Adjustment				
Hydro Rate Mitigation				
Total Rate Change				

14 c) Similar to the example provided, please provide a table showing how the rate
 15 increase by component can be smoothed over four years to limit the impact on
 16 customers, including the impacts of the proposed wholesale rate settlement.

Year	Total Proposed Newfoundland Power Increase (%)	2024 (%)	2025 (%)	2026 (%)	2027 (%)
	2024	7.0	1.75	1.75	1.75
2025	9.0		3.00	3.00	3.00
2026	3.0			1.50	1.50
2027	1.0				1.0
Total Impact		1.75	4.75	6.25	7.25

- 1 d) Please confirm that Newfoundland Power would be compensated for deferring
2 collection of a portion of the RSP balance by interest earned on the account
3 balance.

DATED at St. John's, in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador this 14th day of June, 2024.



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