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PUB hires new engineering consulting firm

The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities has selected **Bates White Economic Consulting** as technical advisor in the Board's Reliability and Resource Adequacy review. Bates White's Economic Consulting has a strong team of expert engineers and economists, with extensive experience in a broad range of energy-related matters, including significant regulatory experience in Canada and the United States. Bates White have recently provided consulting services for electricity regulators in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Alberta. The Board's process for the selection of a new engineering consulting firm has been ongoing since Liberty Consulting advised in September 2023 that it planned to discontinue its engagement with the Board. Bates White will begin its work immediately as Liberty Consulting concludes its ongoing work in the review. However, Liberty will continue its availability to the Board in dealing with any reliability matters that may arise as we move into the winter season.

Jo-Anne Galarneau, Executive Director and Board Secretary, stated:

"The Reliability and Resource Adequacy Review is a key component of the Board's work in ensuring reliable electric service in this province and the Board is very pleased to have the benefit of Bates White's wealth of experience and expertise in this important matter. We have every confidence that Bates White will be a valuable resource for the Board and its participation will make a significant contribution in this process."

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