

February 5, 2020

The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities  
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**Attention: Ms. Cheryl Blundon**  
**Director Corporate Services & Board Secretary**

Dear Ms. Blundon:

**Re: 2019–2020 Winter Readiness Planning Report – Further Update**

On December 10, 2019, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) filed its “2019–2020 Winter Readiness Planning Report” (“Report”). While the majority of the winter readiness work was completed, several items were outstanding as of the submission date. Hydro committed to filing an update regarding these items with the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (“Board”) by January 17, 2020. In that update,<sup>1</sup> Hydro committed to provide a further update upon the Stephenville Gas Turbine’s return to full generation capacity as well as confirmation of the shipping schedule for the spare gas turbine engine.

Hydro’s final update to the Report regarding the Stephenville Gas Turbine and spare gas turbine engine is as follows.

#### **Generation Capacity – Stephenville Gas Turbine**

As noted in the January 31, 2020 update, the overhauled engine was successfully installed and tested; however, it was not released for service until successful completion of work on the auxiliary systems. That work was completed and the Stephenville Gas Turbine was released for service on January 31, 2020 subsequent to the filing of Hydro’s update. A planned outage was scheduled for February 3, 2020, to complete corrective maintenance on the fire suppression system. As of 1611 hours on February 3, 2020, the corrective maintenance was completed and the Stephenville Gas Turbine was returned to full capacity.

#### **Spare Gas Turbine Engine Availability – Stephenville and Hardwoods Gas Turbines**

The designated spare gas turbine engine has left the facility and is scheduled to arrive in Newfoundland on February 10, 2020. Upon receipt, the spare engine will be stored in Stephenville.

#### **Summary**

Hydro is confident in its ability to reliably serve customers during the 2019–2020 winter season. All generation sources are now fully available and all planned winter readiness activities are complete.

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<sup>1</sup> “The Board’s Investigation and Hearing into Supply Issues and Power Outages on the Island Interconnection System – Winter Readiness Planning Report – Update,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, January 16, 2020.

Ms. C. Blundon  
Public Utilities Board

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Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO**



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