

**P.U. 31 (2003)**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT**,  
R.S.N. 1990, c. P-47, as amended  
("the *Act*")

AND

**IN THE MATTER OF** an  
Application by Newfoundland and  
Labrador Hydro ("the Applicant") for  
approval to proceed with the  
construction and purchase of  
certain improvements to its property,  
pursuant to Section 41 (3) of the *Act*.

**WHEREAS** the Applicant is a corporation continued and existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*,  
is a public utility within the meaning of the Act and is also subject to the provisions of the *Electrical  
Power Control Act*, 1994; and

**WHEREAS** Section 41 (3) of the *Act* requires that a public utility shall not proceed with the  
construction, purchase or lease of improvements or additions to its property where:

- (a) the cost of the construction or purchase is in excess of \$50,000; or
- (b) the cost of the lease is in excess of \$5,000 in a year of the lease

without the prior approval of the Board; and

**WHEREAS** by Order No. P. U. 29 (2002-2003), Order No. P.U. 3 (2003), and Order No. P.U. 12 (2003) certain capital projects of the Applicant were approved for 2003 as set out in those Orders; and

**WHEREAS** the Applicant filed an Application on August 5, 2003, requesting approval of the Board for the capital expenditure of \$306,000 for the reconfiguration of TL255 (Grandy Brook to Hope Brook) from a 138 kV three-phase transmission line to a 14.4 kV single-phase distribution line and for the capital expenditure of \$205,220 for a Load Research Study to be carried out in coordination with Newfoundland Power Inc.; and

**WHEREAS** the Board approved a Load Research Study for Newfoundland Power in Order No. P.U. 19(2003); and

**WHEREAS** the Board has considered the Applicant's request for approval.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

Pursuant to Section 41 (3) of the *Act*, the Board approves the supplementary 2003 capital expenditures of:

- (1) \$306,000 for the reconfiguration of TL255 (Grandy Brook to Hope Brook); and
- (2) \$205,220 for a Load Research Study.

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

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Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.  
Vice-Chair.

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G. Fred Saunders,  
Commissioner.

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G. Cheryl Blundon,  
Board Secretary.

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