## P.U. 37(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 of the installation of interconnection plant for a non-utility wind turbine generation project at Ramea, pursuant to Sections 41 (3) and (5) 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 Orders No P.U. 29 (2002-2003), P.U. 3 (2003), P.U. 12 (2003), P.U. 30 (2003) and P.U. 31 (2003) certain capital projects of the Applicant were approved for 2003 as set out in those Orders; and

WHEREAS by Application dated October 17, 2003, the Applicant has requested approval of the Board for the capital expenditure of \$98,000 for the installation of interconnection plant for a non-utility wind turbine generation project at Ramea, which amount the Applicant will recover in full from the non-utility generator; and

WHEREAS the proposed full recovery of the capital expenditure from the non-utility wind turbine generation project at Ramea is necessary to ensure that the Applicant's investment will not be to the detriment of the Applicant's other customers; and

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

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 41(3) of the *Act*, the Board approves the supplementary 2003 capital expenditure of \$98,000 for the installation of interconnection plant for a non-utility wind turbine generation project at Ramea.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 41(5) of the *Act*, the Board approves the demand from the customer, Frontier Power Systems Inc., of a contribution not to exceed \$112,700 (\$98,000 plus a maximum variance of 15%) towards the cost of the interconnection.

Dated at St. Jahn's Navyfayndland and Lahradan this 21 <sup>st</sup> day of Navyamhan 2002	
<b>Dated</b> at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 21 <sup>st</sup> day of November 2003.	
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	Robert Noseworthy, Chair and Chief Executive Officer.
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	G. Fred Saunders,
	Commissioner.
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