

P.U. 22 (2006)

IN THE MATTER OF the *Electrical Power Control Act*, R.S.N.L., 1994, c. E-5.1 (the “*EPCA*”) and the *Public Utilities Act* R.S.N.L., 1990, c. P-47 (“the *Act*”) and their subordinate regulations;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) for approval of a change in the rate structure charged for the supply of power and energy to Island Interconnected Customers (excluding Burgeo school and library) (Rate Class 1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 and 4.1), Isolated Rural Domestic Customers (excluding Government departments) (Rate Class 1.2D), and Isolated Rural Street and Area Lighting (excluding Government departments) (Rate Class 4.1D), pursuant to Section 70 of the *Act*.

BEFORE: **Robert Noseworthy**
 Chair and Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chair

1 **WHEREAS** Hydro is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Province
2 of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act* and is also
3 subject to the provisions of the *EPCA, 1994*; and

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5 **WHEREAS** as set out in Order No. P.U. 14 (2004) the historical practice of adjusting the rates
6 charged to Hydro's Rural Customers based on changes to NP rates continues in accordance with
7 directives from Government; and

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9 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.U. 20 (2004) the Board approved Hydro's revisions to the Rules and
10 Regulations – Schedule C which includes Policies for Automatic Rate Changes (Section 16),
11 which means that as NP changes its rates Hydro will automatically adjust certain rates for the
12 Island Interconnected System, the L'Anse au Loup System, and the Isolated systems; and

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14 **WHEREAS** on June 14, 2006 NP filed an Application with the Board for approval of the Rate
15 Stabilization Adjustment and Municipal Tax Adjustment to be applied to electricity rates for the
16 period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007; and

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18 **WHEREAS** on June 16, 2006 Hydro filed an Application requesting that, upon approval of NP's
19 application for rate changes, the Board make an Order approving Hydro's rates as set out in the
20 Schedules attached to the Application for Island Interconnected customers (Rate Class 1.1, 2.1,
21 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 and 4.1), Isolated Rural Domestic customers (Rate Class 1.2D) and for Isolated
22 Rural Street and Area Lighting (Rate Class 4.1D), to be implemented July 1, 2006; and

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1 **WHEREAS** by Order No. P.U. 21 (2006) the Board approved changes to NP's rates as a result
2 of the Rate Stabilization Adjustment and Municipal Tax Adjustment; and

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4 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that the rates as filed by Hydro as Schedules A and B of its
5 Application for certain Island Interconnected customers, certain Isolated Rural Domestic
6 customers and for certain Isolated Rural Street and Area Lighting as proposed by Hydro are
7 based on the rates approved by the Board for NP in Order No. P.U. 21 (2006) and should be
8 approved as filed.

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10 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

11 1. The Board hereby approves the Schedule of Rates for Hydro's Island Interconnected
12 customers (excluding Burgeo school and library), attached hereto as Schedule A, and
13 the Schedule of Rates for Hydro's Isolated Rural Domestic customers (excluding
14 Government departments) and for Isolated Rural Street and Area Lighting (excluding
15 Government departments), attached hereto as Schedule B, to be effective for
16 consumption on and after July 1, 2006.

17 2. Hydro shall pay the expenses of the Board incurred in connection with this
18 application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this 21st day of June 2006.

Robert Noseworthy
Chair & Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chairperson

G. Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary

SCHEDULE A

ORDER NO. P. U. 22 (2006)

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE No. 1.1

DOMESTIC

Availability:

For Service to a Domestic Unit or to buildings or facilities which are on the same Serviced Premises as a Domestic Unit and used by the same Customer exclusively for domestic or household purposes, whether such buildings or facilities are included on the same meter as the Domestic Unit or metered separately.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$15.68 per month

Energy Charge:

All kilowatt-hours @8.920¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge \$15.68

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE No. 2.1

GENERAL SERVICE 0 - 10 kW

Availability¹:

For Service (excluding Domestic Service) where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is less than 10 kilowatts.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$18.00 per month
Energy Charge:
All kilowatt-hours @11.316¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase..... \$18.00
Three Phase..... \$36.00

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

¹ This rate is also available to fish plants in Isolated Rural Systems with a connected load of 30kW or greater.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE No. 2.2

GENERAL SERVICE 10 - 100 kW (110 kVA)

Availability¹:

For Service (excluding Domestic Service) where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 10 kilowatts or greater but less than 100 kilowatts (110 kilovolt-amperes).

Rate: (Including Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$20.72 per month

Demand Charge:

\$8.36 per kW of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$7.61 per kW in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charge:

First 150 kilowatt-hours per kW of billing demand..... @9.126¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours..... @6.220¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 15.4 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge, but not less than Minimum Monthly Charge.

Minimum Monthly Charge:

Single Phase \$20.72 per month
Three Phase: \$36.00 per month

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding metering [in particular Regulation 7 (n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

¹ This rate is also available to fish plants in Isolated Rural Systems with a connected load of 30kW or greater.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
RATE No. 2.3
GENERAL SERVICE 110 kVA (100 kW) - 1000 kVA

Availability¹:

For Service where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 110 kilovolt-amperes (100 kilowatts) or greater but less than 1000 kilovolt-amperes.

Rate: (Including Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$93.30 per month

Demand Charge:

\$7.23 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$6.48 per kVA in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charge:

First 150 kilowatt-hours per kVA of billing demand,
up to a maximum of 30,000 kilowatt-hours @ 8.755¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours @ 6.098¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 15.4 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge.

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, up to a maximum of \$500.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding metering [in particular Regulation 7 (n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

¹ This rate is also available to fish plants in Isolated Rural Systems with a connected load of 30kW or greater.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE No. 2.4

GENERAL SERVICE 1000 kVA AND OVER

Availability¹:

For Service where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 month period ending with the current month is 1000 kilovolt-amperes or greater.

Rate: (Including Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge:\$186.61 per month

Billing Demand Charge:

\$6.85 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$6.10 per kVA in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charge:

First 100,000 kilowatt-hours..... @ 7.417¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours..... @ 5.995¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 15.4 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge.

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, up to a maximum of \$500.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding metering [in particular Regulation 7 (n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

¹ This rate is also available to fish plants in Isolated Rural Systems with a connected load of 30kW or greater.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE No. 4.1

STREET AND AREA LIGHTING SERVICE

Availability:

For Street and Area Lighting Service in the Rural Island Interconnected area and the L'Anse au Loup system, where the electricity is supplied by Hydro and all fixtures, wiring and controls are provided, owned and maintained by Hydro.

Monthly Rate: (Including Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustment)

	SENTINEL / STANDARD
MERCURY VAPOUR	
250W (9,400 lumens)	\$18.24
HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM ¹	
100W (8,600 lumens)	14.63
150W (14,400 lumens)	18.24
250W (23,200 lumens)	23.98
400W (45,000 lumens)	31.40

¹ For all new installations and replacements.

Special poles used exclusively for lighting service

Wood..... \$ 6.48

General:

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations.
This rate schedule does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.

SCHEDULE B

ORDER NO. P. U. 22 (2006)

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE 1.2D

DOMESTIC DIESEL

Availability:

For all the Island and Labrador diesel service areas of Hydro (excluding Government Departments) for service to a domestic unit or to buildings or facilities which are on the same Serviced premises as a Domestic Unit and used by the same Customer exclusively for domestic or household purposes, whether such buildings or facilities are included on the same meter as the Domestic Unit or metered separately. All churches, schools, and community halls in the diesel service areas are also subject to this rate.

Rate: (Including Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$15.68 per month

Energy Charge:

First Block (See Table Below) kilowatt-hours per month @8.920 ¢ per kWh

Second Block (See Table Below) kilowatt-hours per month @10.324 ¢ per kWh

All kWh over 1000 kilowatt-hours per month @13.996 ¢ per kWh

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>First Block</i>	1000	1000	900	900	800	800	700	700	700	800	900	1000
<i>Second Block</i>	0	0	100	100	200	200	300	300	300	200	100	0

Minimum Monthly Charge \$15.68

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

Rate Stabilization Clause:

This Rate is subject to the Rate Stabilization Adjustment arising from the operation of the Rate Stabilization Clause which forms part of the Schedule of Rates. The adjustment is applicable only to the first block kWh per month.

Municipal Tax Clause:

This Rate is subject to the Municipal Tax Adjustment arising from the operation of the Municipal Tax Clause which forms part of the Schedule or Rates.

General:

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
RATE No. 4.1D
STREET AND AREA LIGHTING SERVICE DIESEL

Availability:

For Street and Area Lighting Service (excluding Government Departments) throughout the Island and Labrador diesel service areas of Hydro, where the electricity is supplied by Hydro and all fixtures, wiring and controls are provided, owned and maintained by Hydro.

Monthly Rate: (Including Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustment)

	SENTINEL / STANDARD
MERCURY VAPOUR	
250W (9,400 lumens)	\$18.24
HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM ¹	
100W (8,600 lumens)	14.63
150W (14,400 lumens)	18.24
250W (23,200 lumens)	23.98
400W (45,000 lumens)	31.40

¹ For all new installations and replacements.

Special poles used exclusively for lighting service

Wood..... \$ 6.48

General:

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations.
This rate schedule does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.