

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

AN INTERIM ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P. U. 35(2007)

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*
2 *Control Act*, RSNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the
3 “*EPCA*”) and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,
4 Chapter P-47 (the “*Act*”) as amended, and their
5 subordinate regulations;

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7 **AND**
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9 **IN THE MATTER OF** the application by
10 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”)
11 for approval of a change in the rates to be
12 charged for the supply of power and energy
13 to Island Interconnected customers (excluding
14 Burgeo school and library) and Isolated Rural
15 customers (excluding Government Departments),
16 pursuant to Sections 70 and 71 of the *Act*.

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19 **WHEREAS** Hydro is a corporation continued and existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*, is
20 a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and is subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and
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22 **WHEREAS** on December 20, 2007 Hydro filed the within application with the Board seeking
23 approval of these new rates for the sale of power and energy to Island Interconnected customers
24 (Rate Class 1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 and 4.1), Isolated Rural Domestic customers, excluding
25 Government departments (Rate Class 1.2D), General Service Customers (Rate Class 2.1D and
26 2.2D), and Isolated Rural street and area lighting (Rate Class 4.1D), to be implemented effective
27 January 1, 2008 (the “Application”); and
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29 **WHEREAS** the proposed rates reflect a number of factors including a change flowing from the rate
30 changes approved for Newfoundland Power in Order No. P.U. 32(2007), and Government Directives
31 by way of Order in Council, pursuant to the *Act* and previous orders of the Board; and
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33 **WHEREAS** the specific amounts of the proposed rates are derived by the operation of various
34 methodologies established by previous orders of the Board as well as other Government Directives
35 established by way of Order in Council; and
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1 **WHEREAS** Hydro has advised that the rates proposed for Non-Government Rural Isolated
2 Domestic and General Service customers are consistent with the Government's direction; and
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4 **WHEREAS** Hydro advised that the rates proposed for the Domestic Labrador Isolated and L'Anse
5 au Loup remain subject to the rebate put in place by Order No. P.U. 21(2007) and Order in Council;
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8 **WHEREAS** a determination as to whether the proposed rates are reasonable and appropriate will
9 involve the review and application of the various Orders in Council and orders of the Board for each
10 of the classes of customers; and
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12 **WHEREAS** the comprehensive review of this Application by the Board may involve requests for
13 further information and analysis or other processes to ensure that all possible issues raised by the
14 Application are fully addressed and clarified;
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16 **WHEREAS** the existing rates for certain customers are no longer applicable after January 1, 2008,
17 and therefore Hydro will not be entitled to charge for service without an order of the Board
18 approving rates pursuant to the *Act*; and
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20 **WHEREAS** if after a full review of the matter it is determined that excess revenue has been earned
21 by Hydro as a result of an interim order the Board may, pursuant to section 75 of the *Act* order that
22 the customers of Hydro receive a refund or that the excess revenue be placed in a reserve account for
23 that purpose; and
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25 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that it is reasonable and appropriate to approve the rates proposed
26 by Hydro on an interim basis to balance Hydro's interest in having established rates for service with
27 the customers' interests in receiving least cost power.
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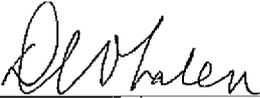
30 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**
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- 33 1. The Board approves on an interim basis the rates as attached in Schedule A to be effective
34 for consumption on and after January 1, 2008 until a final order of the Board with respect to
35 the within matter.
- 36 2. The continuation of the rebate to Hydro's domestic customers served from the Labrador
37 Isolated and L'Anse au Loup (Labrador Straits) system is approved on an interim basis.
- 38 3. Hydro shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

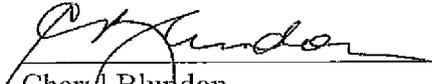
DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 24th day of December 2007.



Robert Noseworthy
Chair & Chief Executive Officer



Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chair



Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary

Schedule A

Order No. P.U. 35(2007)

Effective: January 1, 2008

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE No. 1.1 (INTERIM)

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: \$15.60 per month
Energy Charge:
All kilowatt-hours..... @ 9.030¢ per kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge.....\$15.60

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 (INTERIM)

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:	\$17.90 per month
Energy Charge:	
All kilowatt-hours.....	@ 11.015¢ per kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase	\$17.90
Three Phase	\$35.80

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 (INTERIM)

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: \$20.62 per month

Demand Charge:

\$8.64 per kW of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$7.14 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 @8.563¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours @ 6.255¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.3 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge, but not less than Minimum Monthly Charge.

Minimum Monthly Charge:

Single Phase \$20.62 per month
Three Phase: \$35.80 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 (INTERIM)
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: \$92.81 per month

Demand Charge:

\$7.46 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$5.96 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 @ 8.431¢ per kWh

All excess kilowatt-hours @ 6.106¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.3 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 (INTERIM)

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: \$185.64 per month

Billing Demand Charge:

\$7.05 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$5.55 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 @ 7.042¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours @ 5.980¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.3 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 (INTERIM)

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)	\$19.09
HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM ¹	
100W (8,600 lumens)	15.16
150W (14,400 lumens)	19.09
250W (23,200 lumens)	25.25
400W (45,000 lumens)	34.47

¹ For all new installations and replacements.

Special poles used exclusively for lighting service

Wood\$6.29

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.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

RATE 1.2D (INTERIM)

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: \$15.60 per month

Energy Charge:

First Block (See Table Below) kilowatt-hours per month @ 9.030¢ per kWh
Second Block (See Table Below) kilowatt-hours per month..... @ 10.423¢ per kWh
 All kWh over 1000 kilowatt-hours per month @ 14.131¢ 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.....\$15.60

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 2.1D (INTERIM)
GENERAL SERVICE DIESEL 0-10 kW

Availability:

For all the Island and Labrador diesel service areas of Hydro (excluding Government Departments) for non-domestic services where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is less than 10 kilowatts.

Rate:

Basic Customer Charge: \$18.95 per month

Energy Charge:
All kilowatt-hours..... @ 16.151¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase\$18.95
Three Phase\$34.74

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00 or more than \$500.00, 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 2.2D (INTERIM)
GENERAL SERVICE DIESEL OVER 10 kW

Availability:

For all the Island and Labrador diesel service areas of Hydro (excluding Government Departments) for non-domestic services where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 10 kilowatts or greater.

Rate:

Basic Customer Charge: \$26.61 per month

Demand Charge:

The maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month @ \$11.81 per kW

Energy Charge:

All kilowatt-hours..... @ 15.012¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase\$26.61
Three Phase\$58.02

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00 or more than \$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.**

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
RATE No. 4.1D (INTERIM)
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)	\$19.09
HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM ¹	
100W (8,600 lumens)	15.16
150W (14,400 lumens)	19.09
250W (23,200 lumens)	25.25
400W (45,000 lumens)	34.47

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Special poles used exclusively for lighting service

Wood\$6.29

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.