

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

**AN ORDER OF THE BOARD
NO. P.U. 29(2011)**

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

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6 **AND**

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8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
9 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
10 for approval of interim rates to be charged
11 for the supply of power and energy to Island
12 Interconnected customers (excluding Burgeo
13 School and Library) and Isolated Rural
14 Customers (excluding Government departments)
15 pursuant to Subsection 70(1) of the *Act*.

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18 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) is a corporation continued and
19 existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and
20 is subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and

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22 **WHEREAS** on December 16, 2011 Hydro filed an application (the “Application”) seeking
23 approval of interim rates to be charged to Hydro’s Island Interconnected customers (Rate Class
24 1.1, 1.1S, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 and 4.1) and Isolated Rural customers (Rate Class 1.2D, 1.2DS, 2.1D,
25 2.2D and 4.1D) effective January 1, 2012, as set out in Schedule A attached to the Application;
26 and

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28 **WHEREAS** by Order No. P. U. 14(2007) the Board approved Hydro’s revisions to the Rules
29 and Regulations which includes Policies for Automatic Rate Changes (Section 16) so that as
30 Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”) changes its rates, Hydro will automatically
31 adjust certain rates for the Island Interconnected System, and the Isolated Rural Systems; and

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33 **WHEREAS** on November 23, 2011 Newfoundland Power filed an application proposing,
34 among other things, that the Board make an Order approving, on an interim basis, the continued
35 use of Newfoundland Power’s Customer Rates approved by Order No. P. U. 12(2011) effective
36 from January 1, 2012; and

1 **WHEREAS** by Order No. P.U. 25(2011) the Board approved the continued use, by
2 Newfoundland Power on an interim basis of current Customer Rates approved by Order No.
3 P.U. 12(2011), with effect from January 1, 2012
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5 **WHEREAS** in accordance with previous Orders of the Board [Order Nos. P.U. 13(2011) and
6 P.U. 14(2011)] the rates proposed for Island Interconnected customers (excluding the Burgeo
7 School and Library) conform to those of Newfoundland Power customers; and
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9 **WHEREAS** in accordance with previous Orders of the Board [Order Nos. P.U. 13(2011) and
10 P.U. 14(2011)] the rates proposed for Isolated Rural customers (excluding Government
11 departments) for the lifeline block conform to those of Newfoundland Power customers and
12 other rates for these customers change by the same average percentage as those of similar classes
13 of Newfoundland Power customers; and
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15 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that the rates as proposed by Hydro are based on the rates
16 approved by the Board for Newfoundland Power in Order No. P.U. 25(2011) and, in accordance
17 with Order No. P.U. 14(2007), should be approved as filed.
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19 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**
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- 21 1. The continued use of Hydro's rates for its Island Interconnected customers (Rate Class
22 1.1, 1.1S, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4 and 4.1) and Isolated Rural customers (Rate Class 1.2D,
23 1.2DS, 2.1D, 2.2D and 4.1D), to be effective on an interim basis on all electrical
24 consumption on and after January 1, 2012, as set out in Schedule "A", are approved.
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- 26 2. Hydro shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this 20th day of December 2011.

Andy Wells
Chair & Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chairperson

James Oxford
Commissioner

Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
RATE No. 1.1
DOMESTIC - INTERIM

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: \$15.71 per month

Energy Charge:
All kilowatt-hours @ 10.407¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge..... \$15.71

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. 1.1S
DOMESTIC – OPTIONAL - INTERIM

Availability:

Available upon request for Service to Customers served under Rate 1.1 Domestic Service who have a minimum of 12 months of uninterrupted billing history at their current Serviced Premises.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

The Energy Charges provided for in Rate 1.1 Domestic Service Rate shall apply, subject to the following adjustments:

Winter Season Premium Adjustment (Billing months of December through April):

All kilowatt-hours @ 0.953¢ per kWh

Non-Winter Season Premium Adjustment (Billing months of May through November):

All kilowatt-hours @ (1.297)¢ per kWh

Special Conditions:

1. An application for Service under this rate option shall constitute a binding contract between the Customer and the Company with an initial term of 12 months commencing the day after the first meter reading date following the request by the customer, and renewing automatically on the anniversary date thereof for successive 12-month terms.
2. To terminate participation on this rate option on the renewal date, the Customer must notify the Company either in advance of the renewal date or no later than 60 days after the anniversary/renewal date. When acceptable notice of termination is provided to the Company, the Customer's billing may require an adjustment to reverse any seasonal adjustments applied to charges for consumption after the automatic renewal date.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
RATE No. 2.1
GENERAL SERVICE 0 - 10 kW - INTERIM

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:..... \$18.03 per month
Energy Charge:
 All kilowatt-hours..... @ 12.182¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase \$18.03
 Three Phase \$36.06

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) - INTERIM

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: \$20.76 per month

Demand Charge:

\$8.70 per kW of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$7.20 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 @ 9.672 ¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours @ 7.303 ¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.96 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge, but not less than Minimum Monthly Charge.

Minimum Monthly Charge:

Single Phase \$20.76 per month
Three Phase: \$36.06 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 - INTERIM

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: \$93.47 per month

Demand Charge:

\$7.51 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$6.01 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 @ 9.642 ¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours @ 7.227 ¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.96 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 - INTERIM

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: \$186.93 per month

Billing Demand Charge:

\$7.09 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$5.59 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..... @ 8.278 ¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours @ 7.162 ¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.96 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 - INTERIM

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)	\$20.77
HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM ¹	
100W (8,600 lumens)	16.14
150W (14,400 lumens)	20.77
250W (23,200 lumens)	28.17
400W (45,000 lumens)	39.22

¹ For all new installations and replacements.

Special poles used exclusively for lighting service

Wood..... \$6.82

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
DOMESTIC DIESEL - INTERIM

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: \$15.71 per month

Energy Charge:

First Block (See Table Below) kilowatt-hours per month @ 10.407 ¢ per kWh

Second Block (See Table Below) kilowatt-hours per month..... @ 11.831 ¢ per kWh

All kWh over 1000 kilowatt-hours per month @ 16.040 ¢ per kWh

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

Minimum Monthly Charge..... \$15.71

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. 1.2DS
DOMESTIC DIESEL (Non-Government First Block) – OPTIONAL - INTERIM

Availability:

For all the Island and Labrador diesel service areas of Hydro (excluding Government Departments), available upon request for Service to Customers served under Rate 1.2 Domestic Diesel Service (First Block consumption only) who have a minimum of 12 months of uninterrupted billing history at their current Serviced Premises.

Rate:

The Energy Charges provided for in Rate 1.2D Domestic Diesel Service Rate shall apply, subject to the following adjustments:

Winter Season Premium Adjustment (Billing months of December through April):

First Block Only
All kilowatt-hours @ 0.953¢ per kWh

Non-Winter Season Premium Adjustment (Billing months of May through November):

First Block Only
All kilowatt-hours @ (1.297)¢ per kWh

Special Conditions:

1. An application for Service under this rate option shall constitute a binding contract between the Customer and the Company with an initial term of 12 months commencing the day after the first meter reading date following the request by the customer, and renewing automatically on the anniversary date thereof for successive 12-month terms.
2. To terminate participation on this rate option on the renewal date, the Customer must notify the Company either in advance of the renewal date or no later than 60 days after the anniversary/renewal date. When acceptable notice of termination is provided to the Company, the Customer's billing may require an adjustment to reverse any seasonal adjustments applied to charges for consumption after the automatic renewal date.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
RATE 2.1D
GENERAL SERVICE DIESEL 0-10 Kw - INTERIM

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: \$20.58 per month

Energy Charge:
All kilowatt-hours @ 17.537 ¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase..... \$20.58
Three Phase \$37.72

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
GENERAL SERVICE DIESEL OVER 10 kW - INTERIM

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: \$29.40 per month

Demand Charge:

The maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month..... @ \$13.05 per kW

Energy Charge:

All kilowatt-hours..... @ 16.590¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge: Single Phase..... \$29.40

Three Phase \$64.12

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
STREET AND AREA LIGHTING SERVICE DIESEL - INTERIM

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)	\$20.77
HIGH PRESSURE SODIUM ¹	
100W (8,600 lumens)	16.14
150W (14,400 lumens)	20.77
250W (23,200 lumens)	28.17
400W (45,000 lumens)	39.22

¹ For all new installations and replacements.

Special poles used exclusively for lighting service

Wood..... \$6.82

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.