

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

**AN ORDER OF THE BOARD**

**NO. P.U. 25(2013)**

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*”), as amended, and regulations  
5 thereunder; and  
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7 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by  
8 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for approval, on  
9 an *ex parte* basis, to proceed with the lease of vehicles  
10 pursuant to Section 41 of the *Act*.  
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13 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) is a corporation continued and  
14 existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and  
15 is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and  
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17 **WHEREAS** Section 41(3) of the *Act* requires that a public utility not proceed with the  
18 construction, purchase or lease of improvements or additions to its property where:  
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- 20 a) the cost of construction or purchase is in excess of \$50,000; or  
21 b) the cost of the lease is in excess of \$5,000 in a year of the lease  
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23 without prior approval of the Board; and  
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25 **WHEREAS** in Order Nos. P.U. 2(2013) and P.U. 4(2013) the Board approved Hydro’s 2013  
26 Capital Budget; and  
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28 **WHEREAS** the Board approved supplementary 2013 capital expenditures in:  
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- 30 (i) Order No. P.U. 1(2013) in the amount of \$284,100 for the refurbishment of the  
31 stop logs at the Burnt Dam Spillway;  
32 (ii) Order No. P.U. 12(2013) in the amount of \$5,198,000 for the refurbishment of the  
33 marine terminal at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station;  
34 (iii) Order No. P.U. 14(2013) in the amount of \$12,809,700 for the refurbishment and  
35 repairs to Unit 1 at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station;  
36 (iv) Order No. P.U. 15(2013) in the amount of \$3,823,600 to install additional 230kV  
37 transformer capacity at the Oxen Pond Terminal Station; and

1 (v) Order No. P.U. 20(2013) in the amount of \$8,015,800 for the replacement of  
2 Hardwoods gas turbine alternator; and  
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4 **WHEREAS** on June 7, 2013 Hydro applied to the Board requesting approval of automobile  
5 leases for two vehicles; and  
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7 **WHEREAS** the proposed leases are for an amount of \$5,888.76 per annum, plus HST, and  
8 \$5,852.52 per annum, plus HST; and  
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10 **WHEREAS** the Board issued a Request for Information which was answered by Hydro on June  
11 13, 2013; and  
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13 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that it is reasonable and prudent to approve, on an *ex parte*  
14 basis, the proposed leases for two vehicles.  
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16 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**  
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- 18 1. The two proposed three-year automobile leases in the amount of \$5,888.76, plus HST,  
19 and \$5,852.52, plus HST, are approved.  
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- 21 2. Hydro shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

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Andy Wells  
Chair & Chief Executive Officer

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Dwanda Newman, LL.B.  
Commissioner

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James Oxford  
Commissioner

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Cheryl Blundon  
Board Secretary