P.U. 14 (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 the application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (the "Applicant") for approval of a Contribution in Aid of Construction ("CIAC") for a line upgrade to serve a Pumping Station located in the Town of Seldom, Fogo Island, pursuant to Section 41(5) of the Act.

WHEREAS the Applicant is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of the Act, and is subject to the provisions of the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*; and

WHEREAS Atlantic Medtec Limited on behalf of the Town of Seldom, (the "Customer") has requested the Applicant to supply three-phase electrical service to a pumping station with a peak demand of 22.4 kW located in the Town of Seldom, Fogo Island; and

**WHEREAS** the Customer has requested that the Applicant provide three-phase electrical service which, in order to so provide, requires the upgrade of 1858 metres of single-phase line to three-phase standard (the "Upgrade"); and

**WHEREAS** the Upgrade will not be jointly used by the Applicant and Aliant Telecom Inc.; and

WHEREAS a CIAC for the Upgrade has been calculated in accordance with Clause 5(b) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions and Upgrades to General Service Customers, approved by Order No. P.U. 7 (1997-98) dated September 30, 1997 (the "Policy"), which calculation assumes the upgrade will supply service to a pumping station with an estimated peak demand of 44.8 kVA and the CIAC thus calculated is Seventy-eight thousand four hundred fifty-two dollars and fifty-nine cents (\$78,452.59), including HST; and

**WHEREAS** the estimated construction cost of the Upgrade is \$78,452.59 and Clause 11(a) of the Policy states that all Line Extensions or Upgrades involving CIACs in which the construction costs are estimated to be greater than \$25,000 must be submitted to the Board for approval; and

**WHEREAS** the proposed expenditures on the upgrade are necessary for the Applicant to provide service and facilities to the Customer which are reasonably safe and adequate and just and reasonable as required pursuant to s. 37 of the Act; and

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WHEREAS the proposed CIAC is necessary to ensure that the Applicant's investment in the

Upgrade is compensatory over the useful life of the Upgrade and will not be to the detriment of the

Applicant's other customers.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:** 

Pursuant to section 41(5) of the Act, the Board approves the contribution in aid of

construction in the amount of Seventy-eight thousand, four hundred and fifty-two dollars and fifty-

nine cents (\$78,452.59), including HST, as calculated under the Policy for the supply of three-phase

electrical service to a pumping station located in the Town of Seldom, Fogo Island, is hereby

approved.

**Dated** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003.

Robert Noseworthy,

Chair and Chief Executive Officer.

G. Fred Saunders,

Commissioner.

G. Cheryl Blundon,

Director of Corporate Services

and Board Secretary.