

P. U. 36(2004)

IN THE MATTER OF the
Public Utilities Act, R.S.N.
1990, c. P-47, as amended
("the *Act*")

AND

IN THE MATTER OF a request
by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
("Hydro") for consent to terminate
service and abandon the distribution line
providing electrical service to the
Nugget Pond Division of Richmond
Mines Inc., at the Hammerdown mine
site near King's Point pursuant to Section 38
of the *Act*.

WHEREAS Hydro 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 also subject to the provisions of the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*; and

WHEREAS Hydro was advised by Richmond Mines Inc., Nugget Pond Division on May 27, 2004 of its intention to discontinue its use of the electrical service provided by Hydro at the Hammerdown mine site near King's Point in approximately 30 days; and

WHEREAS on June 8, 2004 Hydro requested the written consent of the Board for the termination of service and abandonment of the distribution line to the mine site, pursuant to Section 38 of the *Act*; and

WHEREAS Hydro advised that the 2.5 kilometre distribution line to the mine site is located approximately six-kilometres from the community of King's Point and served only the mine operations; and

WHEREAS Hydro advised that there are no customers of Hydro who will be affected by the termination of service and removal of the distribution line, nor is Hydro aware of any potential customers who will be affected by the termination of service and removal of the distribution line; and

WHEREAS on August 31, 2004, Hydro provided additional information in respect of the request in response to information requests from the Board; and

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 38 of the *Act* the Board wrote to the Town Council of King's Point and received no objection by the deadline date of July 16, 2004.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Pursuant to Section 38 of the *Act*, the Board consents to the termination of service and abandonment of the distribution line providing electrical service to the Nugget Pond Division of Richmond Mines Inc., at the Hammerdown mine site located near the community of King's Point.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this 9th day of September 2004.

Robert Noseworthy,
Chair and Chief Executive Officer.

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.,
Vice-Chair.

G. Cheryl Blundon,
Board Secretary.