NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. 30(2008)

- 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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AND

- 9 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
- 10 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro")
- 11 for the approval of an upgrade to transmission
- 12 lines TL-227 and TL-262 (the "Application"),
- 13 pursuant to Section 41(3) of the *Act*.
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- WHEREAS Hydro is a corporation continued and existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act* and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and
- WHEREAS Section 41(3) of the *Act* requires that a public utility not proceed with the construction, purchase or lease of improvements or additions to its property where:
- 22 (a) the cost of construction or purchase is in excess of \$50,000; or
 - (b) the cost of the lease is in excess of \$5,000 in a year of the lease,
- 25 without prior approval of the Board; and
- WHEREAS Hydro owns and maintains TL-227, a 81 km transmission line from Berry Hill to
 Daniels Harbour and TL-262, a 5km transmission line from Daniels Harbour to Peters Barron; and
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- 30 WHEREAS landslides in the community of Daniels Harbour in recent years have compromised the
- 31 safety of the road through the community prompting the Department of Transportation and Works to
- 32 relocate the road; and

WHEREAS the new road will intersect with existing transmission lines that will not have adequate vertical clearance for a line passing over a road and the costs of this upgrade will be fully contributed by the Department of Transportation and Works; and

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WHEREAS on November 6, 2008 Hydro applied to the Board requesting approval of the TL-227 and TL-262 Upgrades; and

8 **WHEREAS** the Board has considered Hydro's Application and the materials filed therewith.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

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1. Pursuant to Section 41(3) of the *Act*, the Board approves the capital expenditure of \$350,300 for the upgrade to transmission lines TL-227 and TL-262.

14 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 November 2008.

Andrew Wells Chair & Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng. Vice-Chair

Dwanda Newman, LL.B. Commissioner

G. Cheryl Blundon Board Secretary