NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. 30(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 Power Inc. for approval to
- 9 issue Series AN First Mortgage Bonds
- 10 pursuant to section 91 of the Act.
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13 WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") is a corporation duly 14 organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public 15 utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and 16

WHEREAS on October 10, 2013 the Board received an application from Newfoundland Power
to issue Series AN First Mortgage Bonds in an amount of up to \$75,000,000 (the "Application");
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WHEREAS pursuant to Section 91 of the *Act*, a public utility may not issue bonds until it has obtained approval from the Board for the proposed issue; and

WHEREAS Newfoundland Power states that the proceeds of the issue will be used to repay short-term indebtedness and to refund existing 10.55% Series AD First Mortgage Bonds which financed capital expenditures approved by the Board to provide service as required under the *Act*; and

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WHEREAS on October 21, 2013 the Consumer Advocate and Newfoundland and Labrador
Hydro advised that they had no comment in relation to the Application; and

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32 WHEREAS the Board has reviewed the Application and supporting material and finds that 33 approval of the issue of the Series AN First Mortgage Bonds in an amount of up to \$75,000,000 34 is in accordance with law and for a purpose approved by the Board.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Newfoundland Power's proposal to issue Series AN First Mortgage Bonds in an amount of up to \$75,000,000 is approved subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) The bonds shall be issued on or before March 31, 2014.
 - (b) Newfoundland Power shall file with the Board a report specifying the terms and conditions of the bond issue within five (5) days after closing, setting out the following:
 - (i) date of issue;
 - (ii) term;
 - (iii) maturity date;
 - (iv) principal amount;
 - (v) coupon rate;
 - (vi) particulars of sinking fund, if any;
 - (vii) price to public and to the underwriters;
 - (viii) yield to the public;
 - (ix) underwriting fee;
 - (x) actual cost (i.e. yield) to Newfoundland Power; and
 - (xi) any other material terms or conditions.
 - (c) Newfoundland Power shall file with the Board a copy of the Underwriting Agreement relating to the bond issue within five (5) days after closing.
 - (d) Newfoundland Power shall file with the Board a report on the disposition of the proceeds no later than six months from the date of the bond issue.
 - 2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 23rd day of October, 2013.

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Commissioner

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Board Secretary