NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. 27(2023)

- 1 IN THE MATTER OF the Electrical Power
- 2 **Control Act, 1994,** SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1
- 3 (the "EPCA") and the Public Utilities Act,
- 4 RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47 (the "Act"), as
- 5 amended, and regulations thereunder; and
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- 7 IN THE MATTER OF an application by
- 8 Newfoundland Power Inc. for approval of
- 9 a Contribution in Aid of Construction to provide
- 10 three-phase service to two dairy farms located
- 11 in the Town of Cormack, pursuant to section 41
- 12 of the Act.
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WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") 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 EPCA; and

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WHEREAS on October 2, 2023 Newfoundland Power filed an application for approval of a
 Contribution in Aid of Construction ("CIAC") for a line extension to provide three-phase service
 to two dairy farms located in the Town of Cormack; and

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WHEREAS pursuant to Clause 5(e) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions and Upgrades to General Service Customers approved by Order No. P.U. 27(2005) (the "Policy"), detailed engineering cost estimates will be used when the cost of a line extension or upgrade calculated using the applicable Cost per Metre is estimated to be greater than \$100,000; and

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WHEREAS to provide the requested three-phase electrical service it is necessary to upgrade 4,159 metres of single-phase to three-phase, upgrade 2,100 metres of two-phase to three phase and construct a 247 metre three-phase extension and the estimated construction cost, based on a detailed engineering estimate in accordance with Clause 5(e) of the Policy, is one million three hundred and eighty-one thousand three hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$1,381,398.58); and

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35 **WHEREAS** the CIAC, calculated in accordance with Clause 5(e) of the Policy, is one million one 36 hundred and fifty-two thousand three hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty-eight cents

37 (\$1,152,359.58), excluding HST; and

WHEREAS Clause 5(c) of the Policy states that, in cases where the Line extension or Upgrade will
 be shared by more than one customer, the CIAC will be apportioned based on the length of the
 Line extension or Upgrade required to serve each customer; and

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WHEREAS Clause 10(ii) of the Policy states that Newfoundland Power shall apply to the Board for
approval of all line extensions or upgrades involving CIACs where the cost of the line extension
or upgrade is calculated pursuant to Clause 5(e); and

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9 WHEREAS the proposed CIAC is necessary to ensure Newfoundland Power's investment is
 10 compensatory over the useful life of the extension and will not be to the detriment of its other
 11 customers.

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14 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

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 The Contribution in Aid of Construction of one million one hundred and fifty-two thousand three hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$1,152,359.58), excluding HST, for a line extension to provide three-phase service to two dairy farms located in the Town of Cormack is approved.

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21 2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 13th day of October 2023.

Kevin Fagan 🖉 Chair and Chief Executive Officer

John O'Brien, FCPA, FCA, CISA Commissioner

Jo-Anne Galarneau Board Secretary