## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

## AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. 9(2023)

| 1  | IN THE MATTER OF the Electrical Power   |
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| 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  | the balance in the Weather Normalization  |
| 10 | Reserve as of December 31, 2022 pursuant  |
| 11 | to sections 69(3) and 78 of the Act.  |
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| 14 | WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") is a corporation duly organized and                    |
| 15 | existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the          |
| 16 | meaning of the Act, and is also subject to the provisions of the EPCA; and                                    |
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| 18 | <b>WHEREAS</b> by Order No. P.U. 1(1974) the Board ordered that Newfoundland Power create a Weather           |
| 19 | Normalization Reserve to normalize purchased power costs for variations in hydroelectric                      |
| 20 | production caused by varying levels of precipitation, as well as any variations in kilowatt hours sold        |
| 21 | and purchased caused by varying temperatures and wind speed; and  |
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| 23 | WHEREAS by Order No. P.U. 13(2013) the Board approved Section II(8) of the Rate Stabilization                 |
| 24 | Clause which requires that on March 31 <sup>st</sup> of each year the Rate Stabilization Account be increased |
| 25 | (reduced) by the balance in the Weather Normalization Reserve accrued in the previous year; and               |
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| 27 | WHEREAS on February 28, 2023 Newfoundland Power filed an application for approval of a credit                 |
| 28 | balance in its Weather Normalization Reserve as of December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$6,575,737             |
| 29 | owing to customers; and   |
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| 31 | WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that the Weather Normalization Reserve as of December 31, 2022                 |
| 32 | properly reflects the normalization of variations in revenue and expenses caused by meteorological            |
| 33 | conditions during 2022.   |

## **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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1. Newfoundland Power's Weather Normalization Reserve of a credit balance of \$6,575,737 as of December 31, 2022 is approved.

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Newfoundland Power shall pay all costs and expenses of the Board in connection with thisApplication.

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

<del>Dw</del>anda Newman, LL.B.

Vice-Chair

John O'Brien, FCPA, FCA, CISA

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Christopher Pike, LL.B., FCIP

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