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Via Electronic Mail & Courier

Newfoundland and Labrador Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities 120 Torbay Road P.O. Box 21040 St. John's, NL A1A 5B2

Attention:

Ms. G. Cheryl Blundon

Director of Corporate Services and Board Secretary

Dear Madam:

Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's 2013 General Rate Application

- Request Comments to Hydro's Notice of Amended Filing, dated June 6, 2014

Further to your correspondence of today's date in relation to Hydro's notice of its intention to file an amendment to the 2013 GRA filing, we write to provide the position of the Island Industrial Customers ("I.I.C.'s").

Unfortunately, given the circumstances, the I.I.C. are not able to comment on the appropriateness of the suggested course of action without a full consideration of Hydro's proposal and a review of any O.I.C. which might be issued in the future.

We would, however, point out the obvious substantial costs incurred by each party to date and the fact that duplication of many of the processes will now be required, including another round of RFI's, updated Expert's Reports, R.F.I.'s on updated Expert Report's and further preparation time/cost. In this regard, the Board should consider what Order might be appropriate to grant in relation to the issue of costs should the amendment proceed and the GRA hearing be delayed until 2015.

We would confirm that the I.I.C.'s are available to participate in meetings next week on interim rates proposed by Hydro, if the Board believes it is appropriate to use the time reserved next week for the GRA negotiations for this purpose.

We trust you find the foregoing satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

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