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Dear Board Commissioners of Newfoundland and Labrador's Public Utilities,

Please accept this letter as my formal request for "intervenor" status at the public hearings referencing Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's (Hydro) July 30th *General Rate Application* (GRA). Specifically how the GRA will affect Labrador rate-payers.

In my capacity as the Member of Parliament for the federal riding of Labrador, I believe it is my obligation to bring to these hearings the voice of my constituents. It is my intention to provide to the panel a cross-section of information which I have gathered from across Labrador, showcasing the possible affects the Hydro rate increase will have on families and businesses throughout the region. If permitted, I propose to deliver this message in three sections:

- 1. Section One Introduction of me and my attending staff on behalf of the people of Labrador. Provide examples of emails and letters from families and businesses, showcasing examples of current rates and concerns if Hydro rates are increased.
- 2. Section Two Provide a copy of a petition signed by concerned citizens of Labrador. Explain the methodology and purpose of the petition.
- 3. Section Three Offer a closing statement of concern, siting examples of individuals of possible negative outcomes the increased rates will have on Labradorians.

The hearing process is very important to board's decision on the electricity rates for Labrador. I believe it is imperative that the people of Labrador have a strong voice represent them at these hearings and I fully intend to ensure their concerns are heard loud and clear. Subject to process, I will seek opportunity to cross-examine representatives of Hydro.

I look forward to hearing from you and being a positive participant as an intervenor.

With regards,

Yvonne Jones, MP Labrador