

November 21, 2013

Ms. G. Cheryl Blundon
Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
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Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro – Application, received November 18, 2013, for approval of customer electricity rates for 2014 on an interim basis, or in the alternative, for a deferral and recovery mechanism

Please find enclosed the original and twelve (12) copies of the Consumer Advocate's Requests for Information numbered CA-NLH-01 to CA-NLH-05 in relation to the above noted Application.

A copy of the letter, together with enclosures, has been forwarded directly to the parties listed below.

If you have any questions regarding the filing, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

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IN THE MATTER OF
the *Electrical Power Control Act*, RSNL 1994,
Chapter E-5.1 (the "EPCA") and the
Public Utilities Act, RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47
(the "Act"), and regulations thereunder;

AND

IN THE MATTER OF
an Application by Newfoundland and Labrador
Hydro, pursuant to Sections 70 and 75 of the Act,
for the approval of customer electricity rates for
2014 on an interim basis or, in the alternative,
for a deferral and recovery mechanism.

**CONSUMER ADVOCATE
REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION
CA-NLH-1 to CA-NLH-5**

Issued: November 22, 2013

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2 CA-NLH-1 (Schedule A, page 11) Is the title correct for this rate schedule?
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4 CA-NLH-2 (Interim Rates Evidence, page 3, Table 1) What has Hydro's rate
5 of return on rate base been for each of the years 2011 through
6 2013?
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8 CA-NLH-3 (Interim Rates Evidence, page 7, lines 2-4) Why is Hydro
9 proposing to exclude from the interim rates application customers
10 on the Labrador Interconnected System? Please reproduce Table 1
11 (page 3) with Labrador Interconnected customers included in the
12 interim rates application.
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14 CA-NLH-4 (Interim Rates Evidence, page 9, Table 3) Why are Domestic and
15 General Service customers on the Island Isolated System and the
16 Labrador Isolated System receiving a rate increase if they are not
17 part of the interim rates application; i.e., rates for these customer
18 classes are not included in Schedule A? Please reproduce Table 1
19 (page 3) assuming no interim rate increase for these customers.
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21 CA-NLH-5 (GRA Evidence page 4.10, lines 8 – 13) It is stated that through
22 various Government directions a 15% rate increase approved in the
23 2006 GRA was deferred for Isolated Rural Domestic and General
24 Service customers. Has the Government been covering the cost of
25 this deferred rate increase, and will it continue to cover the cost
26 until an Order has been issued by the Board following this GRA?
27 If so, is it correct to say that deferring this 15% rate increase until
28 the Board issues its Order on this GRA will have no impact on
29 Hydro's rate of return on rate base?
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31 Dated at St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, this 22th day of

1 November, 2013.

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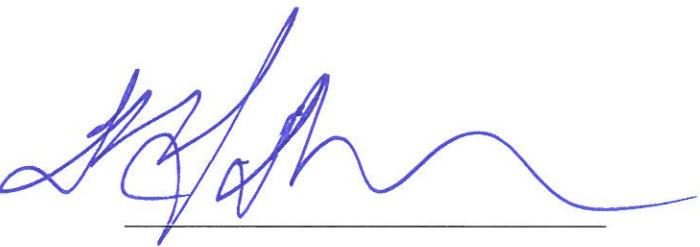
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