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## Via Electronic Mail and 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, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro - 2013 General Rate Application Request from the Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay, dated January 10, 2014

We write on behalf of the Island Industrial Customers (Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited, North Atlantic Refining Limited and Teck Resources Limited), in response to the Board's request for comments on the request made by the Town of Happy Valley – Goose Bay for a deferral of Hydro's application for a rate increase on the Labrador Interconnected System, until such time as the Province's proposed review of the provincial electrical system is completed.

We understand that the Town is referring to the application, made by Hydro through its 2013 General Rate Application (GRA), for a rate increase on the Labrador Interconnected System, along with the setting of rates for its other customers.

The Island Industrial Customers take no position on whether the aspect of Hydro's GRA relating to the application for a rate increase on the Labrador Interconnected System should be deferred. However, the Island Industrial Customers submit that the question of whether that particular aspect of the GRA should be deferred should not be a determining factor with respect to the Board's proceeding with other aspects of the GRA.

We trust this is in order.

Yours truly.

Stewart McKelvey

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