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Mr. Geoffrey Young Hydro Place, 500 Columbus Drive Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro P.O. Box 12400 St. John's, NL A1B 4K7

Dear Mr. Young:

Re: The Board's Investigation and Hearing into Supply Issues and Power Outages on the Island Interconnected System - Request for an extension for filing responses to certain information requests

This is further to your letter of September 26, 2014 wherein you requested extensions to the filing dates of responses to certain information requests.

The Board has determined that delays previously requested by Hydro and those now proposed for the filing of responses to information requests will significantly impact the schedule to conclude this matter and the completion of its final report in the first quarter of 2015. The Board's immediate concern is the readiness of the utilities to meet load and customer demand for the upcoming winter seasons prior to the interconnection with Muskrat Falls. Therefore the Board has decided to divide its investigation into two phases with the Board dealing with the immediate reliability issues for the Island Interconnection system prior to the interconnection with Muskrat Falls in Phase One and reliability issues post-Muskrat Falls interconnection in Phase Two. The scope and filing deadlines for both phases will be forthcoming in a separate letter to all parties.

Hydro has advised that it will file responses to RFIs PUB-NLH-438 to PUB-NLH-449, CA-NLH-57 to CA-NLH-70, IC-NLH-012 to IC NLH-021, and DD-NLH-091 to DD-NLH-112 on October 22, 2014 and RFIs NP-NLH-001 to NP-NLH-035 on November 7, 2014. With respect to the dates proposed for the filing of RFIs, the Board acquiesces to the dates Hydro has proposed for the filing of the responses to the outstanding information requests. However the Board will ask the parties to identify information requests that they deem essential for Phase One so that appropriate reply dates can be set.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Cheryl Blundon **Board Secretary**

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