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Dear Sirs/Madam:

Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro - Reliability and Resource Adequacy Study Review – Filing Schedule

This is further to the letter of September 18, 2020 on the schedule for the second technical conference and requests for information and responses.

The second technical conference did proceed on November 30, 2020. However, there have been a number of changes in dates which affect the schedule for requests for information established on September 18, 2020. On September 28, 2020 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Hydro) provided an update on the Muskrat Falls Project which included a further delay in completion of the Project with full power not expected until September 30, 2021. On October 2, 2020 Hydro advised that a significant report, the *Assessment of Labrador - Island Link Reliability Considering Climatological Loads* was further delayed until March 12, 2021 and other key reports are not expected until the first quarter of 2021. As well, a further update to the RRAS is expected in May 2021.

Given the ongoing studies and the continuing uncertainty on the in-service date of the Labrador-Island Link, the Board has decided to defer requests for information at this time. A schedule will be set once the additional studies are filed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the board's legal counsel, Ms. Jacqui Glynn, by email jglynn@pub.nl.ca or telephone (709) 726-3781.

Sincerely,

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