

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

**AN ORDER OF THE BOARD  
NO. P. U. 16(2009)**

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*  
2 *Control Act*, RSNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the  
3 "*EPCA*") and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,  
4 Chapter P-47 (the "*Act*"), as amended;

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6 **AND**  
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8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by  
9 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro")  
10 for approval of an extension of a parking lot  
11 (the "Application"), pursuant to Section 41  
12 of the *Act*.

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14 **WHEREAS** Hydro is a corporation continued and existing under the *Hydro Corporation*  
15 *Act*, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and is subject to the provisions of  
16 the *EPCA*; and

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18 **WHEREAS** subsection 41(3) of the *Act* states that a public utility shall not proceed with  
19 the construction, purchase or lease of improvements or additions to its property where:

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21 a) the cost of construction or purchase is in excess of \$50,000; or  
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23 b) the cost of the lease is in excess of \$5,000 in a year of the lease,  
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25 without prior approval of the Board; and  
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27 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.U. 36(2008) issued December 23, 2008 the Board approved,  
28 *inter alia*, Hydro's 2009 Capital Budget of \$47,856,000; and  
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30 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.U. 4(2009) the Board approved a supplementary 2009  
31 Capital Budget expenditure of \$351,000 for the replacement of the power transformer at  
32 the Wiltondale terminal station due to a failure of the existing transformer; and  
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34 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P.U. 8(2009) the Board approved a further supplementary  
35 2009 Capital Budget expenditure of \$1,092,900 for the replacement of programmable  
36 logic controllers at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station's Gas Turbine Plant; and

1 **WHEREAS** in Order No. P. U. 10(2009) the Board approved a further supplementary  
2 2009 Capital Budget expenditure of \$703,700 for the upgrade to the continuous emission  
3 monitoring system at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Plant; and  
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5 **WHEREAS** on March 17, 2009 Hydro applied to the Board requesting approval of an  
6 extension to the parking lot at its main office building at 500 Columbus Drive, St. John's,  
7 NL ("Hydro Place"); and  
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9 **WHEREAS** Hydro requires additional parking space at Hydro Place primarily to  
10 accommodate an increase in employees and contractors working for Nalcor Energy and  
11 its unregulated subsidiaries; and  
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13 **WHEREAS** Hydro states in the Application that the final cost estimated to be \$93,000  
14 will be fully contributed to Hydro by Nalcor Energy; and  
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16 **WHEREAS** the Board has reviewed the Application and supporting documentation and  
17 is satisfied that the final costs of this project will be fully contributed by Nalcor Energy  
18 and there will be no impact on Hydro's ratepayers and therefore the proposed extension  
19 of the parking lot at Hydro Place will be approved.  
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22 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**  
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- 24 1. The Board approves the capital expenditure of \$93,000 for the extension of the  
25 parking lot at Hydro Place, pursuant to Section 41 of the *Act*.  
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27 2. Hydro shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 2009.

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Andy Wells  
Chair & Chief Executive Officer

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Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.  
Vice-Chair

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Dwanda Newman, LL.B  
Commissioner

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Cheryl Blundon  
Board Secretary