

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

**AN ORDER OF THE BOARD**

**NO. P. U. 26(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;

**AND**

8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application  
9 by Newfoundland Power Inc. for approval  
10 of revisions to the Rate Stabilization Adjustment,  
11 the Municipal Tax Adjustment and customer rates,  
12 effective July 1, 2009 (the “Application”).

15 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”) is a corporation duly organized  
16 and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within  
17 the meaning of the *Act*, and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and

19 **WHEREAS** on May 28, 2009 Newfoundland Power filed the Application requesting approval of:  
20 i) a revised Rate Stabilization Adjustment to be applied to customer rates for the  
21 period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010; and  
22 ii) a revised Municipal Tax Adjustment to be applied to customer rates for the period  
23 July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010; and  
24 iii) a Revised Schedule of Rates, Tolls and Charges, effective July 1, 2009, reflecting  
25 the revised Rate Stabilization and Municipal Tax Adjustments; and

27 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power maintains a Rate Stabilization Account (“RSA”) which is the  
28 mechanism used to flow through changes to the rates charged to Newfoundland Power by  
29 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Hydro) as a result of the operation of Hydro’s Rate  
30 Stabilization Plan (“RSP”); and

32 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power’s rates are recalculated each year on July 1<sup>st</sup> to reflect i) the  
33 balance in Newfoundland Power’s RSA as of March 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year, and ii) any change in  
34 the rates to be charged to Newfoundland Power by Hydro for the coming year as a result of the  
35 operation of the RSP; and

1 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power's current Rate Stabilization Adjustment as approved in Order  
2 No. P. U. 15(2008) for the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 is 0.761 cents/kWh; and

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4 **WHEREAS** the Rate Stabilization Adjustment proposed in the Application to be included in  
5 Newfoundland Power's rates for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 is 0.066 cents/kWh as  
6 calculated in Schedule 1 to the Application; and

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8 **WHEREAS** by Order No. P. U. 17(1987) the Board ordered that Newfoundland Power's municipal  
9 tax costs be collected through a Municipal Tax Adjustment to be reflected in rates each year on July  
10 1<sup>st</sup>; and

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12 **WHEREAS** the Municipal Tax Adjustment factor approved in Order No. P. U. 15(2008) and  
13 included in Newfoundland Power's rates for the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 was 1.02359;  
14 and

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16 **WHEREAS** the Municipal Tax Adjustment factor proposed in the Application to be included in  
17 Newfoundland Power's rates for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 is 1.02447, as calculated in  
18 Schedule 2 of the Application; and

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20 **WHEREAS** the rates proposed in the Application to be effective on all electrical consumption on  
21 and after July 1, 2009 as set out in Schedule 3 of the Application, incorporate the proposed Rate  
22 Stabilization and Municipal Tax Adjustments; and

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24 **WHEREAS** the Board has considered the Application and is satisfied that the proposed Rate  
25 Stabilization Adjustment, the Municipal Tax Adjustment factor and the Revised Schedule of Rates,  
26 Tolls and Charges should be approved as filed.

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28 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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30 1. The Rate Stabilization Adjustment of 0.066 cents/kWh and the Municipal Tax Adjustment  
31 factor of 1.02447 are approved.  
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33 2. The proposed rates to customers of Newfoundland Power, as set out in Schedule A to this  
34 Order, are approved, to be effective on all electrical consumption on and after July 1, 2009.  
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36 3. Newfoundland Power shall pay the expenses of the Board in connection with this  
37 Application.

**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 2009.

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Andrew Wells  
Chair and 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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G. Cheryl Blundon  
Board Secretary

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**Schedule A**

**Newfoundland Power Inc.**

**Rate Stabilization and Municipal Tax Adjustments**

**NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.  
RATE #1.1  
DOMESTIC SERVICE**

**Availability:**

For Service to a Domestic Unit or to buildings or facilities which are on the same Serviced Premises as a Domestic Unit and used by the same Customer exclusively for domestic or household purposes, whether such buildings or facilities are included on the same meter as the Domestic Unit or metered separately.

**Rate:** (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: ..... \$15.57 per month  
Energy Charge:  
All kilowatt-hours ..... @ 8.916¢ per kWh  
Minimum Monthly Charge ..... \$15.57 per month

**Discount:**

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

**General:**

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

**Newfoundland Power Inc.**  
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**NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.**  
**RATE #2.1**  
**GENERAL SERVICE 0-10 kW**

**Availability:**

For Service (excluding Domestic Service) where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is less than 10 kilowatts.

**Rate:** (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: ..... \$17.86 per month

Energy Charge:  
All kilowatt-hours ..... @ 10.896 ¢ per kWh

Minimum Monthly Charge, Single Phase ..... \$17.86 per month  
Three Phase ..... \$35.72 per month

**Discount:**

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

**General:**

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

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**NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.  
RATE #2.2  
GENERAL SERVICE 10-100 kW (110 kVA)**

**Availability:**

For Service (excluding Domestic Service) where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 10 kilowatts or greater but less than 100 kilowatts (110 kilovolt-amperes).

**Rate:** (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: ..... \$20.57 per month

**Demand Charge:**

\$8.63 per kW of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$7.13 per kW in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

**Energy Charge:**

First 150 kilowatt-hours per kW of billing demand..... @ 8.448 ¢ per kWh  
All excess kilowatt-hours..... @ 6.146 ¢ per kWh

**Maximum Monthly Charge:**

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.3 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge, but not less than the Minimum Monthly Charge.

**Minimum Monthly Charge:**

Single Phase ..... \$20.57 per month  
Three Phase ..... \$35.72 per month

**Discount:**

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

**General:**

Details regarding metering [in particular Regulation 7 (n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

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**NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.  
RATE #2.3  
GENERAL SERVICE 110 kVA (100 kW) - 1000 kVA**

**Availability:**

For Service where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 110 kilovolt-amperes (100 kilowatts) or greater but less than 1000 kilovolt-amperes.

**Rate:** (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: ..... \$92.61 per month

**Demand Charge:**

\$7.45 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$5.95 per kVA in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

**Energy Charge:**

First 150 kilowatt-hours per kVA of billing demand,  
up to a maximum of 30,000 kilowatt-hours ..... @ 8.317 ¢ per kWh  
All excess kilowatt-hours ..... @ 5.997 ¢ per kWh

**Maximum Monthly Charge:**

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.3 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge.

**Discount:**

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, up to a maximum of \$500.00 will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

**General:**

Details regarding metering [in particular, Regulation 7(n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**



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**NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.  
RATE #2.4  
GENERAL SERVICE 1000 kVA AND OVER**

**Availability:**

For Service where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 1000 kilovolt-amperes or greater.

**Rate:** (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: ..... \$185.23 per month

**Demand Charge:**

\$7.04 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$5.54 per kVA in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

**Energy Charge:**

First 100,000 kilowatt-hours ..... @ 6.933 ¢ per kWh  
All excess kilowatt-hours ..... @ 5.872 ¢ per kWh

**Maximum Monthly Charge:**

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.3 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge.

**Discount:**

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, up to a maximum of \$500.00 will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

**General:**

Details regarding metering [in particular, Regulation 7(n)], transformation [in particular, Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

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**NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.  
 RATE #4.1  
 STREET AND AREA LIGHTING SERVICE**

**Availability:**

For Street and Area Lighting Service where the electricity is supplied by the Company and all fixtures, wiring and controls are provided, owned and maintained by the Company.

**Monthly Rate:** (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

	<b>Sentinel/Standard</b>	<b>Post Top</b>
<b>High Pressure Sodium*</b>		
100W ( 8,600 lumens)	\$15.07	\$15.89
150W (14,400 lumens)	18.98	-
250W (23,200 lumens)	25.09	-
400W (45,000 lumens)	34.24	-

\* For all new installations and replacements.

**Mercury Vapour**

175W ( 7,000 lumens)	\$15.07	\$15.89
250W ( 9,400 lumens)	18.98	-
400W (17,200 lumens)	25.09	-

**Special poles used exclusively for lighting service\*\***

Wood	\$ 6.28
30' Concrete or Metal, direct buried	9.27
45' Concrete or Metal, direct buried	14.68
25' Concrete or Metal, Post Top, direct buried	7.38

**Underground Wiring (per run)\*\***

All sizes and types of fixtures	\$12.37
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\*\* Where a pole or underground wiring run serves two fixtures paid for by different parties, the above rates for such poles and underground wiring may be shared equally between the two parties.

**General:**

Details regarding conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

**Newfoundland Power Inc.**

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC.  
CURTAILABLE SERVICE OPTION  
(for Rates #2.3 and #2.4 only)**

**Availability:**

For Customers billed on Rate #2.3 or #2.4 that can reduce their demand ("Curtail") by between 300 kW (330 kVA) and 5000 kW (5500 kVA) upon request by the Company during the Winter Peak Period. The Winter Peak Period is between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. daily during the calendar months of December, January, February and March. The ability of a Customer to Curtail must be demonstrated to the Company's satisfaction prior to the Customer's availing of this rate option.

**Credit for Curtailing:**

If the Customer Curtails as requested for the duration of a Winter, the Company shall credit to the Customer's account the Curtailment Credit during May billing immediately following that Winter. The Curtailment Credit shall be determined by one of the following options:

**Option 1:**

The Customer will contract to reduce demand by a specific amount during Curtailment periods (the "Contracted Demand Reduction"). The Curtailment Credit for Option 1 is determined as follows:

Curtailment Credit = Contracted Demand Reduction x \$29 per kVA

**Option 2:**

The Customer will contract to reduce demand to a Firm Demand level which the Customer's maximum demand must not exceed during a Curtailment period. The Curtailment Credit for Option 2 is determined as follows:

Maximum Demand Curtailed = (Maximum Winter Demand - Firm Demand)

Peak Period Load Factor = 
$$\frac{\text{kWh usage during Peak Period}}{(\text{Maximum Demand during Peak Period} \times 1573 \text{ hours})}$$

Curtailment Credit = ((Maximum Demand Curtailed x 50%) + (Maximum Demand Curtailed x 50% x Peak Period Load Factor)) x \$29 per kVA

**Limitations on Requests to Curtail:**

Curtailment periods will:

1. Not exceed 6 hours duration for any one occurrence.
2. Not be requested to start within 2 hours of the expiration of a prior Curtailment period.
3. Not exceed 100 hours duration in total during a winter period.

The Company shall request the Customer to Curtail at least 1 hour prior to the commencement of the Curtailment period.

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CURTAILABLE SERVICE OPTION  
(for Rates #2.3 and #2.4 only)**

**Failure to Curtail:**

Failure to Curtail under Option 1 occurs when a Customer does not reduce its demand by the Contracted Demand Reduction for the duration of a Curtailment period. Failure to Curtail under Option 2 occurs when a Customer does not reduce its demand to the Firm Demand level or below for the duration of a Curtailment period.

The Curtailment Credit will be reduced by 50% as a result of the first failure to Curtail during a Winter. For each additional failure to Curtail, the Curtailment Credit will be reduced by a further 25% of the Curtailment Credit. If the Customer fails to Curtail three times during a Winter, the Customer forfeits 100% of the Curtailment Credit and the Customer will no longer be entitled to service under the Curtailable Service Option.

Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, no Curtailment Credit will be provided if the number of failures to Curtail equals the number of Curtailment requests.

**Termination/Modification:**

The Company requires six months written notice of the Customer's intention to either discontinue Curtailable Service Option or to modify the Contracted Demand Reduction or Firm Demand level.

**General:**

Services billed on this Service Option will have approved load monitoring equipment installed. For a customer that Curtails by using its own generation in parallel with the Company's electrical system, all Company interconnection guidelines will apply, and the Company has the option of monitoring the output of the Customer's generation. All costs associated with equipment required to monitor the Customer's generation will be charged to the Customer's account.