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Dear Ms. Walsh:

**Re: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro - 2017 GRA Compliance Application  
Requests for Information**

Enclosed are Requests for Information PUB-NLH-008 to PUB-NLH-013 regarding the above-noted application.

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

Yours truly,

Sara Kean  
Assistant Board Secretary

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Enclosure

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1 **IN THE MATTER OF**  
2 the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*,  
3 SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the “*EPCA*”)  
4 and the *Public Utilities Act, RSNL 1990*,  
5 Chapter P-47 (the “*Act*”), as amended; and  
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7 **IN THE MATTER OF** a General Rate  
8 Application by Newfoundland and Labrador  
9 Hydro to establish customer electricity rates  
10 for 2018 and 2019; and  
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12 **IN THE MATTER OF** a compliance application  
13 by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro pursuant to  
14 Order No. P.U. 16(2019).  
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**PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD  
REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

**PUB-NLH-008 to PUB-NLH-013**

**Issued: August 26, 2019**

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1 **Grant Thornton Financial Consultants Report, dated August 23, 2019**

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3 **PUB-NLH-008** Please confirm that Hydro proposes to correct the error in the interest rate  
4 used in the operation of the 2019 RSP identified in the Grant Thornton  
5 Report dated August 23, 2019, page 26, through a one-time adjustment to  
6 each customer group's RSP current plan.

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8 **PUB-NLH-009** Further to PUB-NLH-008, will the one-time adjustment require a RSP rule  
9 change? If so, please provide the proposed rule change for the Board's  
10 approval.

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12 **PUB-NLH-010** Further to PUB-NLH-008, please explain why Hydro did not file a  
13 revision to its General Rate Compliance Application proposals to correct  
14 the error in the interest rate calculation identified in the Grant Thornton  
15 Report and confirm that if the one-time adjustment to each customer  
16 group's RSP current plan is made, it does not require a revision to Hydro's  
17 General Rate Compliance Application proposals.

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19 **PUB-NLH-011** Please provide the rationale for the use of the flat monthly fuel cost for the  
20 operation of the test year RSP as identified at page 27 of the Grant  
21 Thornton Report.

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23 **PUB-NLH-012** Further to PUB-NLH-011, please provide the calculation of the 2019 Test  
24 Year RSP if the monthly fuel cost had been used as required by the current  
25 RSP rules. Please provide a comparison of the impact on rates proposed  
26 by Hydro in its General Rate Compliance Application of the monthly fuel  
27 cost versus the flat monthly fuel cost.

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29 **PUB-NLH-013** The Grant Thornton Report recommends that Hydro propose a revision to  
30 the RSP rules to allow the use of the flat monthly price of No. 6 fuel as  
31 used by Hydro in its General Rate Compliance Application.

32 (a) Please explain, in Hydro's opinion, if the use of a flat monthly fuel  
33 cost is consistent with the current RSP rules on the operation and  
34 calculation of the RSP.

35 (b) Please provide the proposed rule change for the Board's approval as  
36 recommended in the Grant Thornton Report  
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**DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

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Per

  
Sara Kean

Assistant Board Secretary