

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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2016-08-12

Mr. Gerard Hayes Newfoundland Power Inc. 55 Kenmount Road P.O. Box 8910 St. John's, NL A1B 3P6

Dear Mr. Hayes:

Re: Newfoundland Power Inc. - 2017 Capital Budget Application **Requests for Information**

Enclosed are Information Requests PUB-NP-001 to PUB-NP-003 regarding the above-noted application.

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) 726-6781.

Yours truly,

Assistant Board Secretary

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1	IN THE MATTER OF
2	the Electrical Power Control Act, 1994,
3	SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the " <i>EPCA</i> ")
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 capital expenditures
8	and rate base of Newfoundland Power Inc.; and
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10	IN THE MATTER OF an application by
11	Newfoundland Power Inc. for an order pursuant
12	to Sections 41 and 78 of the Act:
13	(a) approving a 2017 Capital Budget of \$89,411,000;
14	(b) approving certain capital expenditures related to
15	multi-year projects commencing in 2017; and
16	(c) fixing and determining a 2015 rate base of
17	\$1,019,082,000
	\$1,012,002,000

PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

PUB-NP-001 to PUB-NP-003

Issued: August 12, 2016

1	Additions to Real Property (Pooled)		
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3	PUB-NP-001	Schedule B, Page 66 of 97 states: "To ensure consistency from year to year,	
4		expenditures related to large unplanned additions are excluded from the	
5		historical average calculation." Please explain why the corporate security	
6		upgrades are considered large unplanned additions and excluded from historical	
7		data considering that approximately \$100,000 has been included in each Capital	
8		Budget since 2014.	
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10	PUB-NP-002	Please provide details of the \$402,000 in corporate security upgrades included in	
11		capital spending since 2014.	
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13	Section C Mu	<u>ılti-Year Projects</u>	
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15	PUB-NP-003	Please confirm Newfoundland Power is requesting that \$1,215,000 of the total	
16		2017 expenditure of \$1,415,000 for the Distribution Reliability Initiative be	
17		treated as a multi-year project. If yes, does the separation of individual projects	
18		into both a single year and multi-year project comply with the Capital Budget	
19		Guidelines? If no, what is the requested 2017 expenditure for this multi-year	
20		project?	

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland this 12th day of August, 2016.

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Sara Kean

Assistant Board Secretary