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Ms. Cheryl Blundon
Director of Corporate Services & Board Secretary
Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
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Dear Ms. Blundon,

Thank you for allowing us to submit our concerns over, the Application put forward for approval from NL HYDRO regarding the super hydro plant for Port Hope Simpson.

Firstly, the only knowledge we had of this was a zoom meeting with Hydro this past Spring. We were assured that there would be meetings held, to inform the general public as to what was happening with this super hydro diesel plant. This did not happen. The public has not been made aware of this and the length of time that we were given of 4 days to send our submissions is outrageous. This is not a reasonable amount of time to discuss the issues and send an appropriate response. We are requesting an extension regarding this issue.

Secondly, we have nothing against a new plant being built in Port Hope Simpson, we understand the importance of being able to provide electricity to Charlottetown, because of the loss of their plant and Port Hope Simpson needs a new plant. However, that being said the issue that we had as we discussed with Hydro this past Spring, is the fact that we need "Green Energy Projects" not diesel. Government policies are implementing the "Green Energy, Green Recycling Programs etc." whenever they can. NL HYDRO itself is promoting "Green Issues" however as a corporate conglomerate they are not following the "Green Plan" for our environment.

We have to think of the future generations who have to grow into this environment, and the safety of our children and grandchildren are of the most importance. We are teaching our children a different way of living to provide a much safer, cleaner place for them to live in, Yet we are being denied the chance to fight against the one thing that would have a detrimental affect on our future, another diesel hydro plant. When there are other options available to supply our power needs.

There are rivers in our area that can be harnessed to provide power, Wind Power, another idea would be to provide non-repayable grants to house holds to install solar panels and Hydro can take

back the excess power that these panels provide. I am sure that there are options out there for commercial buildings as well. Larger systems such as wind turbines that could provide power to communities as a whole.

We have a future in mining in this area which will require green energy power for its operations and are in talks with suppliers to make this happen. They are trying to leave as small a footprint as possible.

We are willing to work with NL Hydro, and Government to make sure our community and surrounding communities will have a safe green environment to live in.
We look forward to a favourable response from all involved.

Sincerely,

Lorraine Poole

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Town Clerk-Manager

St. Lewis Town Council

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