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June 15, 2015

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Via Electronic Mail & Courier

Newfoundland and Labrador Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities 120 Torbay Road P.O. Box 21040 St. John's, NL A1A 5B2

Attention:

Ms. G. Cheryl Blundon

**Director of Corporate Services and Board Secretary** 

Dear Ms. Blundon:

RE: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro 2013 Amended General Rate Application

- Requests for information of:

- 1) Pre-filed Evidence of Mr. Melvin Dean (June 4, 2015) IC-V-02;
- 2) Pre-filed Evidence of Dr. J.W. Wilson (June 1, 2015)
  - IC-PUB-19 to IC-PUB-20
- 3) Pre-filed Evidence of Mr. C. Douglas Bowman (June 1, 2015)
  - IC-CA-07 to IC-CA-13

Please find enclosed the original and twelve (12) copies of the Requests for Information of the Island Industrial Customers Group in relation to the above noted Pre-filed Evidence.

A copy of the letter, together with the enclosures, have been forwarded directly to the parties listed below.

We trust you find the foregoing satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

POOLE ALTHOUSE

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1	IC-V-02	RE: Pre-filed Evidence of Mr. Melvin Dean (June 4th, 2015), page 4: Mr.
2		M. Dean indicates that the "prorating of O&M costs using plant in service
3		without accounting for the time value of money has the potential to
4		achieve inequitable results". Is it Mr. M. Dean's contention that prorating
5		of O&M costs in a manner that accounts for the time value of money is
6		automatically a complete solution to solve inequitable results? If not, does
7		Mr. M. Dean agree that any such prorating approach (regardless as to its
8		treatment of the time value of money) still has to pass a "reasonableness"
9		test in light of Hydro's expected expenses for the asset in question?

# All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Island Industrial Customers.

**DATED** at the City of Corner Brook, in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

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