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The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
Prince Charles Building
120 Torbay Road, P.O. Box 21040
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Attention: Jo-Anne Galarneau
Executive Director and Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Galarneau:

Re: Newfoundland Power Inc.
- Compliance Application/ Order No. P.U. 3 (2025)
Requests for Information

Further to the above-captioned, please find enclosed find the Consumer Advocate's Requests for Information number CA-NP-001 to CA-NP-005.

Although these were due, according to the schedule, on May 7, unfortunately, due to capacity issues, we were unable to have these filed at that time. We therefore ask the Board's discretion to allow that these now be filed as of today's date.

Yours truly,



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IN THE MATTER OF the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47, as amended (the “Act”), and

IN THE MATTER OF an application (the “Application”) by Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”) in compliance with Order No. P.U. 3(2025) for approval of:

- (i) 2025 and 2026 forecast average rate base, rate of return on rate base and revenue requirements, and
- (ii) customer rates, tolls and charges and rules and regulations relating to service to be effective July 1, 2025.

**CONSUMER ADVOCATE
REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION
CA-NP-001 to CA-NP-005**

Issued: May 8, 2025

1 CA-NP-001 (Reference 2025/2026 GRA Compliance Report) Did the Board effectively
2 approve an 8.5% rate increase for the 2025-26 GRA which when added to
3 wholesale rate and MTA/RSA adjustments, would have resulted in a total
4 rate increase of 15.3% on July 1, 2025 in the absence of rate smoothing?
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6 CA-NP-002 (Reference 2025/2026 GRA Compliance Report) Is the difference between
7 the revenue collected by the compliance rate and the rate approved by the
8 Board \$70 million in 2025, and does NP propose to include that amount in
9 the RSA balance and collect it from customers via rate increases on July 1,
10 2026 and July 1, 2027?
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12 CA-NP-003 (Reference 2025/2026 GRA Compliance Report) What was the increase in
13 NP-supplied load from 2019 to 2024?
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15 CA-NP-004 (Reference 2025/2026 GRA Compliance Report) Please provide the
16 average rate increases that NP expects to impose on customers on July 1,
17 2026 and July 1, 2027 as a result of its RSA Adjustments on those dates.
18 Please show the percentage rate increases with and without Hydro's
19 expected rate increase on those dates, and please show the accumulated
20 increase in rates from June 30, 2025 through July 1, 2027.
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22 CA-NP-005 (Reference 2025/2026 GRA Compliance Report) Please provide a table
23 showing the current energy charge for Domestic customers on June 30,
24 2025, and forecast for July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026 and July 1, 2027.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 8th day of May, 2025.

Per 

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