

P.U. 26(2004)

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT, R.S.N.1990, c. P-47, as amended (the “Act”)

AND

IN THE MATTER OF the application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (the “Applicant”) for approval of a Contribution in Aid of Construction (“CIAC”) for a single-phase line extension to serve the West Pond Cottage Area, Halls Bay near South Brook Junction, pursuant to Section 41(5) of the Act.

WHEREAS the Applicant is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of the Act, and is subject to the provisions of the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*; and

WHEREAS the cottage lot owners at West Pond Cottage Area (the “Customers”) have requested the Applicant to supply single-phase electrical service to the cottage lots located at Halls Bay, near South Brook Junction; and

WHEREAS the Customers have requested that the Applicant provide single-phase electrical service which, in order to so provide, requires the extension of three thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (3,873) metres of single-phase distribution line; and

WHEREAS the Applicant has calculated a total CIAC for the Line Extension in accordance with Clause 5(b) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions to Residential and Seasonal Residential Customers, approved by Order No. P.U. 7 (1997-98) dated September 30, 1997 (the “Policy”), which calculation assumes the Line Extension will supply service to twenty-nine (29) customers interested in the service and the total CIAC thus calculated is one hundred fourteen thousand one hundred thirty-five dollars and twenty cents (\$114,135.20), including HST; and

WHEREAS the total estimated construction cost of the Line Extension is \$114,135.20 and Clause 12 (a) of the Policy states that all Line Extensions involving CIACs where the construction costs are estimated to be greater than \$25,000 must be submitted to the Board for approval; and

WHEREAS the Applicant has calculated a shared CIAC for the Line Extension in accordance with Clause 5(c) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions to Residential and Seasonal Residential Customers, approved by Order No. P.U. 7 (1997-98) dated September 30, 1997 (the “Policy”), which calculation assumes the Line Extension will supply service to twenty-nine (29) customers and the shared CIAC thus calculated is three thousand nine hundred thirty-five dollars and seventy cents (\$3,935.70) each, including HST; and

WHEREAS Clause 12(c) of the Policy states that all CIACs for Main Line Extensions for primarily seasonal residential customers must be submitted to the Board for approval; and

WHEREAS the proposed expenditures on the Line Extension are necessary for the Applicant to provide service and facilities to the Customers which are reasonably safe and adequate and just and reasonable as required pursuant to s. 37 of the Act; and

WHEREAS the proposed CIAC is necessary to ensure that the Applicant's investment in the Line Extension is compensatory over the useful life of the Line Extension and will not be to the detriment of the Applicant's other customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Pursuant to section 41(5) of the Act, the Board approves the contribution in aid of construction in the amount of three thousand, nine hundred thirty-five dollars and seventy cents (\$3,935.70), including HST, for the supply of single-phase electrical service to twenty-nine (29) seasonal residential customers located at the West Pond Cottage Area, Halls Bay, located near South Brook Junction, as calculated under the Policy.

Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 21st day of July, 2004.

Robert Noseworthy,
Chair and Chief Executive Officer.

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.,
Vice-Chair.

G. Cheryl Blundon,
Director of Corporate Services
and Board Secretary.