

P.U. 13(2003)

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 Power Inc. ("the Applicant")
for approval of a contribution in aid of
construction ("CIAC") for a line extension
to serve the City of St. John's ("the Customer")
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 Customer currently has a single-phase electrical service which supplies energy to a pumping station with a peak demand of 12.4 kW and the existing service is located on Rainbow Gully Road in the town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's; and

WHEREAS the Customer has requested that the Applicant provide its existing facility with three-phase electrical service which, in order to so provide, requires the upgrade of 632 metres of single-phase line to three-phase standard and the construction of a further 200 metres of three-phase line (the "Extension"); and

WHEREAS the Extension will be jointly used by the Applicant and Aliant Telecom Inc;
and

WHEREAS a CIAC for the Extension has been calculated in accordance with Clause 5(b) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions and Upgrades To General Service Customers, approved by Order No. P.U. 7 (1997-98) dated September 30, 1997 (the “Policy”), which calculation assumes the Extension will supply service to a pumping station with an estimated peak demand of 116.0 kVA and the CIAC thus calculated is Thirty-five thousand seven hundred seventy-nine dollars (\$35,779.00) including HST; and

WHEREAS the estimated construction cost of the Extension is \$34,212.17 and Clause 11(a) of the Policy states that all Line Extensions or Upgrades involving CIACs in which the construction costs are estimated to be greater than \$25,000 must be submitted to the Board for approval; and

WHEREAS the proposed expenditures on the Extension are necessary for the Applicant to provide service and facilities to the Customer 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 Extension is compensatory over the useful life of the 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 of Thirty-five thousand seven hundred seventy-nine dollars (\$35,779.00) including HST, as calculated under the Policy to provide three-phase service to a pumping station for the City of St. John's.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 30th day of April, 2003.

Robert Noseworthy,
Chair and Chief Executive Officer.

G. Fred Saunders,
Commissioner.

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