

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P. U. 24(2008)

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power*
2 *Control Act*, RSNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the
3 “*EPCA*”) and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,
4 Chapter P-47 (the “*Act*”), as amended;

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6 **AND**

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8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by
9 Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland
10 Power”) for approval to proceed with the
11 construction and purchase of certain
12 improvements to its property pursuant to
13 Section 41(3) of the *Act* (the “Application”).
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16 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of
17 the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and is
18 also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and
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20 **WHEREAS** Section 41(3) of the *Act* requires that a public utility shall not proceed with the
21 construction, purchase or lease of improvements or additions to its property where:

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23 (a) the cost of the construction or purchase is in excess of \$50,000; or
24 (b) the cost of the lease is in excess of \$5,000 in a year of the lease,
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26 without the prior approval of the Board; and
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28 **WHEREAS** in Order Nos. P. U. 27(2007), P. U. 3(2008), P. U. 18(2008), P. U. 19(2008) and P. U.
29 21(2008) the Board approved Newfoundland Power’s estimated capital expenditures for 2008
30 totaling \$55,073,000; and
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32 **WHEREAS** after examining the bids of prospective suppliers of photocopiers, Newfoundland
33 Power has determined that purchasing the photocopiers is a lower cost option than leasing as was
34 originally proposed in the 2008 Capital Budget filed on June 29, 2007; and

1 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power now proposes purchasing rather than leasing the 17 photocopiers
2 at an estimated 2008 expenditure of \$105,000; and

3 **WHEREAS** the proposed expenditure is necessary for Newfoundland Power to continue to provide
4 service and facilities which are reasonably safe and adequate and just and reasonable as required
5 pursuant to Section 37 of the *Act*.

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7 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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9 1. Pursuant to Section 41(3) of the *Act* the Board approves the additional 2008 capital
10 expenditures associated with the purchase of 17 photocopiers as proposed in the Application.
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12 2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all the expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this 1st day of October 2008.

Andrew Wells
Chair & Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chairperson

Dwanda Newman, LL.B.
Commissioner

Cheryl Blundon
Board Secretary