

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

**AN ORDER OF THE BOARD**

**NO. P.U. 14(2010)**

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

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6 **AND**  
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8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by  
9 Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”)  
10 for approval of a contribution in aid of construction  
11 (“CIAC”) for a three-phase supply for the Long Range  
12 Regional Economic Development Board (the “Customer”)  
13 pursuant to Subsection 41(5) of the *Act*.

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16 **WHEREAS** Newfoundland Power is a corporation duly organized and existing under the  
17 laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of  
18 the *Act*, and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*, 1994; and

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20 **WHEREAS** on May 26, 2010 the Board received an application from Newfoundland Power  
21 for approval of a CIAC to upgrade existing two-phase and single-phase lines to provide a  
22 three-phase electrical service to the Customer; and

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24 **WHEREAS** the Customer is a regional economic development board serving the South West  
25 Coast and Port au Port Peninsula area of Newfoundland and Labrador; and

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27 **WHEREAS** the Customer has requested that Newfoundland Power upgrade a section of its  
28 electric distribution system between the communities of McKay’s and Maidstone to a three-  
29 phase standard, and in order to provide the requested service, it is necessary to upgrade 4.5  
30 kilometres of an existing two-phase line and 3.0 kilometres of an existing single-phase line to  
31 three-phase (the “Upgrade”); and

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33 **WHEREAS** a CIAC for the Upgrade has been calculated in accordance with Clause 5(e) of  
34 the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions and Upgrades To General Service Customers  
35 (the “Policy”), approved by Order No. P. U. 27(2005), which calculation assumes no  
36 investment by Newfoundland Power towards the cost of the Upgrade as there is no specific  
37 load information available pertaining to the Upgrade; and the CIAC thus calculated is Two  
38 hundred three thousand three hundred thirty-two dollars and thirty-nine cents (\$203,332.39),  
39 excluding HST; and

1 **WHEREAS** the estimated construction cost of the Upgrade is \$191,282.00 and is based on  
2 a detailed engineering estimate in accordance with Clause 5(e) of the Policy; and

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4 **WHEREAS** Clause 10(ii) of the Policy states that Newfoundland Power shall apply to the  
5 Board for approval of all line extensions or upgrades involving CIACs where the costs of the  
6 line extension or upgrade are calculated pursuant to Clause 5(e); and

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8 **WHEREAS** approval of the proposed CIAC is reasonable and prudent to ensure that  
9 Newfoundland Power’s investment in the Upgrade is compensatory over the useful life of the  
10 Upgrade and not to the detriment of Newfoundland Power’s other customers.

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12 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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- 14 1. The contribution in aid of construction of Two hundred three thousand three hundred
- 15 thirty-two dollars and thirty-nine cents (\$203,332.39) excluding HST, as proposed by
- 16 Newfoundland Power to provide a three-phase supply to the area between the
- 17 communities of McKay’s and Maidstone for the Long Range Regional Economic
- 18 Development Board is approved.
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- 20 2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

Dated at St. John’s, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2010.

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Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.  
Vice-Chair

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James Oxford  
Commissioner

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Cheryl Blundon  
Board Secretary