## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

# AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

# NO. P.U. 5(2014)

1 IN THE MATTER OF the *Electrical Power* 

2 Control Act, 1994, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the

3 "EPCA") and the Public Utilities Act, RSNL 1990,

4 Chapter P-47 (the "Act"), as amended, and regulations

5 thereunder; and

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# 7 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by

- 8 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
- 9 for an order:
- 10 (a) approving its 2014 capital budget;
- (b) approving its 2014 capital purchases and
   construction projects in excess of \$50,000;
- (c) approving the estimated contributions in aid
   of construction for 2014; and
- 15 (d) fixing and determining its average rate base for 2012; and

### 17 **IN THE MATTER OF** an award of costs to Vale Newfoundland

18 and Labrador Limited pursuant to Order No. P.U. 42(2013).

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WHEREAS Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") is a corporation continued and
existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act*, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and
is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and

WHEREAS section 90 of the *Act* gives the Board the authority and discretion to award costs in
 a proceeding before the Board; and

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WHEREAS in Order No. P.U. 42(2013) the Board found that the participation of Vale Newfoundland and Labrador Limited ("Vale") contributed to the Board's understanding of the issues and ordered that Vale be awarded costs in an amount to be fixed by the Board; and

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WHEREAS on January 16, 2014 Vale submitted a bill of costs in the amount of \$27,402.93 for
 the Board's consideration; and

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WHEREAS the Board requested comments from Hydro and, on February 12, 2014, Hydro
 submitted that they do not oppose or contest the calculation of Vale's costs; and

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38 WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that Vale's costs should be fixed in the amount of \$27,402.93.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The costs of Vale Newfoundland and Labrador Limited are fixed at \$27,402.93.
- 2. Hydro shall, within thirty days, pay costs to Vale Newfoundland and Labrador Limited in the amount of \$27,402.93.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

Andy Wells Chair & Chief Executive Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng. Vice-Chair

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Commissioner

Cheryl Blundon Board Secretary