## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

## AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

## NO. P.U. 10(2020)

- 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 Power Inc. for approval of
- 9 the balance in the Weather Normalization
- 10 Reserve as of December 31, 2019 pursuant
- 11 to sections 69(3) and 78 of the Act.
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- WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") 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 also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and
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- 18 **WHEREAS** by Order No. P.U. 1(1974) the Board ordered that Newfoundland Power create a 19 Weather Normalization Reserve to normalize purchased power costs for variations in hydroelectric 20 production caused by varying levels of precipitation, as well as any variations in kilowatt hours sold 21 and purchased caused by varying temperatures and wind speed; and
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- WHEREAS by Order No. P.U. 13(2013) the Board approved Section II(8) of the Rate Stabilization
   Clause which requires that on March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year the Rate Stabilization account be increased
   (reduced) by the balance in the Weather Normalization Reserve accrued in the previous year; and
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- WHEREAS Newfoundland Power has reported to the Board that its Weather Normalization
  Reserve as of December 31, 2019 has a negative balance of \$5,654,474; and
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- 30 WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that the Weather Normalization Reserve as of December 31,
- 2019 properly reflects the normalization of variations in revenue and expenses caused bymeteorological conditions during 2019.

## **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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1. Newfoundland Power's Weather Normalization Reserve of a negative balance of \$5,654,474 as of December 31, 2019 is approved.

2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all costs and expenses of the Board in connection with this Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.

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Darlene Whalen, P. Eng., FEC Chair and Chief Executive Officer

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