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Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities Prince Charles Building 120 Torbay Road, P.O. Box 21040 St. John's, NL A1A 5B2

Attention:

Ms. Cheryl Blundon

Director of Corporate Services & Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re: An Application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Hydro) for approval of Reliability Improvements at the Holyrood Terminal Generating Station – Hydro's Reply

Following is Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's (Hydro) reply with regard to the above noted Application.

1.0 Application Background

On April 18, 2017, Hydro filed an Application for the approval of reliability improvements at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station.

2.0 Board Schedule

On April 28, 2017, the Board sent correspondence advising that comments were due by May 17, 2017. On May 4, 2017, the Board filed seven (7) Requests for Information (RFIs). Hydro filed the responses to all seven (7) RFIs on May 12, 2017.

3.0 Hydro's Response

There were no other comments received in relation to this application.

Hydro submits that the capital works for which Hydro has sought approval in the present Application are necessary to ensure that Hydro can continue to provide service which is safe and adequate and just and reasonable as required by Section 37 of the *Public Utilities Act*. Hydro respectfully requests that the Board approve Hydro's application, as submitted.

Ms. C. Blundon
Public Utilities Board

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Newfoundland & Labrador Hydro

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