

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

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
and
PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE**

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO
GENERAL RATE APPLICATION**

On July 30, 2013 the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities received a General Rate Application (the “Application”) from Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for a full review of its costs and rates. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro is requesting that the Board approve, among other things:

- (i) Rates to be charged for the supply of power and energy to its customers effective January 1, 2014; and
- (ii) Rules and Regulations applicable to the supply of power and energy to its customers.

It should be noted that all customers of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro as well as customers of Newfoundland Power Inc. may be affected by the outcome of this Application as all aspects of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro’s regulated activities are subject to review.

RATE IMPACTS

The specific impact of the proposals in the Application on customer rates will vary depending on rate classification and individual customer circumstances, including electrical consumption. Schedule A sets out the average rate impacts for each electrical system.

HOW TO SEE THE APPLICATION

Copies of the Application, the legislation and regulations are available on the Board’s website at www.pub.nl.ca or by request from the Board Secretary at (709) 726-8600. The Application and supporting documentation can also be viewed at the offices of the Board between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Upon request the Application can also be viewed at any of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro’s regional offices located throughout the Province.

PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

A pre-hearing conference will convene at **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 12, 2013** in the Board’s hearing room, Prince Charles Building, 120 Torbay Road, St. John’s to identify intervenors, set the schedule for the proceeding and address other matters that may be raised.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

An interested person or organization can participate in the Application by applying to become an intervenor, by making a presentation in person or by submitting a letter of comment.

To become a registered intervenor you must apply to the Board by way of an intervenor's submission in accordance with Section 9 of the *Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities Regulations, 1996*. **Copies of all intervenor submissions and supporting documents must be filed with the Board by 3:00 p.m., Friday, August 30, 2013.**

If you do not wish to become an intervenor you can participate in the proceeding by making a presentation, submitting a letter of comment or attending the hearing. Following the pre-hearing conference the Board will publish a further notice as to the significant dates for the proceeding.

HOW TO CONTACT THE BOARD

All correspondence and requests for further information should be submitted to the Board Secretary as set out below.

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Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 14th day of August 2013.

Sara Kean
Assistant Board Secretary

SCHEDULE A

Proposed Average Rate Impacts Effective January 1, 2014		Average Increase (Decrease)
Rate Class		
ISLAND INTERCONNECTED		
Wholesale rate to Newfoundland Power Inc.		(4.8%)
Estimated average rate impact for all rate classes for this system ¹		(3.2%)
Industrial Customers ²		73.1%
ISLAND ISOLATED		
Average overall rate impact for this system		9.0%
Domestic ¹		0.9%
General Service ¹		11.6%
Street and Area Lighting ¹		(3.2%)
LABRADOR INTERCONNECTED		
Average overall rate impact for this system		23.3%
Domestic		26.0%
General Service 0-10 kW		28.5%
General Service 10-100 kW		16.6%
General Service 110–1,000 kVA		16.9%
General Service Over 1,000 kVA		22.0%
Street and Area Lighting		42.8%
LABRADOR ISOLATED		
Average overall rate impact for this system ³		13.7%
Domestic ³		20.4%
General Service		11.6%
Street and Area Lighting ¹		(3.2%)
L'ANSE AU LOUP		
Average overall rate impact for this system ³		(1.4%)
Domestic ³		4.5%
General Service ¹		(3.2%)
Street and Area Lighting ¹		(3.2%)

1. This is an estimated overall average since the specific impact on customers will not be known until Newfoundland Power Inc. applies for new rates.
2. Industrial Customers will be subject to a three-year phase-in of this rate. On September 1, 2013 year one of the phase-in begins and will result in a proposed average increase for Industrial Customers of 22.4%.
3. Reflects the annual Northern Strategic Plan subsidy whereby domestic customers on the Labrador Isolated system and L'Anse Au Loup system pay the same electricity rates as Labrador Interconnected system customers for their basic electricity needs.