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The 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 Corporate Services & Board Secretary** 

Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re:

Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro – 2013 General Rate Application

**Prudence Review - Compliance Application** 

Enclosed please find the original plus 12 copies of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's compliance application in relation to the above-noted matter.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

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IN THE MATTER OF a General Rate
Application (the Amended GRA) by
Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for
approvals of, under Sections 70 and 75 of
the Act, changes in the rates to be charged
for the supply of power and energy to
Newfoundland Power, Rural Customers
and Industrial Customers; and under
Section 71 of the Act, changes in the Rules
and Regulations applicable to the supply of
electricity to Rural Customers; and

IN THE MATTER OF a prudence review by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of certain projects and expenditures of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro; and

IN THE MATTER OF an application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for approval of:
i) revised 2014 revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation; and
ii) revised 2015 test year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation.

TO: The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the "Board")

The Prudence Review Order Compliance Application (the Compliance Application) of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro states that:

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 subject to the provisions of the Electrical Power Control Act, 1994.

- 2. Under the *Act*, the Board has the general supervision of public utilities and requires that a public utility submit for the approval of the Board the rates, tolls and charges for the service provided by the public utility and the rules and regulations which relate to that service.
- On July 30, 2013, Hydro filed a General Rate Application together with evidence in support thereof to establish customer electricity rates to take effect in 2014 based upon a 2013 Test Year.
- 4. On November 10, 2014, Hydro filed an Amended General Rate Application (the Amended GRA), seeking approval of, amongst other items, the following:
  - (1) Hydro's 2014 Test Year Revenue Requirement of \$562,855,000;
  - (2) Hydro's 2015 Test Year Revenue Requirement of \$662,475,000; and
  - (3) A cost deferral in the amount of \$49.5 million to reduce Hydro's forecast 2014 net income deficiency.
- 5. Further, on November 12, 2015, Hydro filed an Amended 2015 Cost Deferral Application, seeking the deferral of \$60.5 million to reduce Hydro's forecast 2015 net income deficiency based on delayed implementation of rates resulting from its Amended GRA. In Order No. P.U.36(2015), the Board approved the deferral of \$30.2 million, as of December 31, 2015, with a final determination on recovery of this amount to be determined by a future order of the Board.

- 6. As part of its consideration of the Amended GRA, the Board undertook a prudence review of certain decisions and actions by Hydro related to certain projects and operating expenditures for which Hydro is seeking cost recovery from customers.
- 7. In Order No. P.U. 13(2016), the Board ordered, among other things, that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and/or the 2015 Test Year costs associated with:
  - (1) Overhauls of the Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1LI7 breakers associated with imprudence;
  - (2) The portion of the Sunnyside Terminal Station equipment repairs and replacement associated with imprudence;
  - (3) The Western Avalon T5 tap changer replacement and transformer repairs associated with imprudence;
  - (4) Extraordinary transformer and breaker repairs in 2014 and 2015 associated with imprudence;
  - (5) Additional supply costs associated with the 2014 failure of Holyrood breaker B1L17 and the resulting outage of Holyrood Unit 1 associated with imprudence;
  - (6) Certain expenses related to professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers, and overtime associated with imprudence and the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages; and

- (7) The Holyrood Unit 1 turbine failure in 2013.
- 8. The Board further ordered that:
  - (1) Hydro will not recover in its 2014 Test Year revenue requirement, \$500,000 associated with its imprudence in managing black start capability at Holyrood;
  - (2) Hydro create a separate account into which will be transferred professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers and overtime costs for 2014, 2015 and subsequent years relating to Phase Two of the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages, with the recovery of the costs to be addressed in a subsequent order of the Board following a further application by Hydro; and
  - (3) Hydro file in accordance with the subsequent direction of the Board, a revised 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, a revised 2015 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, and supporting documentation reflecting the findings of the Board in Order No. P.U. 13(2016).
- 9. On May 5, 2016, the Board provided further direction to Hydro and instructed Hydro to revise its 2014 revenue requirement and its 2015 test year revenue requirement to remove all capital and operating costs relating to any costs disallowed by the Board, costs related to the January 2013 outage, and Phase Two professional and salary costs, as set out in Order No. P.U. 13(2016).

- 10. The attached report to this Application, entitled "Prudence Review Compliance Report," documents Hydro's calculation of a revised 2014 revenue requirement and revenue deficiency and a revised 2015 test year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency, based on the proposals in the Amended GRA and incorporating the determinations of the Board in Order No. P.U. 13(2016) and subsequent direction of the Board in its correspondence dated May 5, 2016.
- 11. Based on the foregoing, Hydro requests:
  - (1) The Board make an order approving the Prudence Review Compliance Report as the filing required in Order No. P.U. 13(2016); and
  - (2) Upon hearing this Prudence Review Compliance Application, the
    Board grant any such alternative, additional and further relief as the
    Board shall consider fit and proper in the circumstances.

**DATED AT** St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador this  $\partial 5$  day of May, 2016.

#### **NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO**

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**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL, 1990, Chapter P-47 (The "Act"); and

IN THE MATTER OF a General Rate Application (the Amended GRA) by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for approvals of, under Sections 70 and 75 of the *Act*, changes in the rates to be charged for the supply of power and energy to Newfoundland Power, Rural Customers and Industrial Customers; and under Section 71 of the Act, changes in the Rules and Regulations applicable to the supply of electricity to Rural Customers; and

**IN THE MATTER OF** a prudence review by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of certain projects and expenditures of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro; and

IN THE MATTER OF an application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for approval of:

- i) revised 2014 revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation; and
- ii) revised 2015 test year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation.

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

- I, Carol Anne Lutz, Certified Professional Accountant, of St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, make oath and say as follows:
- I am Controller, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, the Applicant named in the attached Application.
- 2. I have read and understand the foregoing Application.
- 3. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained therein, except where otherwise indicated, and they are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

| SWORN at St. John's in the     | - ) |
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| Province of Newfoundland and   | )   |
| Labrador, this 25th day of May | )   |
| 2016, before me:               | )   |

Barrister - Newfoundland and Labrador

Carol Anne Lutz

## (DRAFT ORDER) NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

#### AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. \_\_ (2016)

| 1  | IN THE MATTER OF the Public Utilities  |
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| 2  | Act, RSNL, 1990, Chapter P-47 (The "Act");   |
| 3  | and  |
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| 5  | IN THE MATTER OF a General Rate  |
| 6  | Application (the Amended GRA) by   |
| 7  | Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for  |
| 8  | approvals of, under Sections 70 and 75 of  |
| 9  | the Act, changes in the rates to be charged  |
| 10 | for the supply of power and energy to  |
| 11 | Newfoundland Power, Rural Customers and  |
| 12 | Industrial Customers; and under Section 71   |
| 13 | of the Act, changes in the Rules and   |
| 14 | Regulations applicable to the supply of  |
| 15 | electricity to Rural Customers; and  |
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| 17 | IN THE MATTER OF a prudence review   |
| 18 | by the Board of Commissioners of Public  |
| 19 | Utilities of certain projects and expenditures   |
| 20 | of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro; and  |
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| 22 | IN THE MATTER OF an application by   |
| 23 | Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for  |
| 24 | approval of:   |
| 25 | i) revised 2014 revenue requirement and  |
| 26 | revenue deficiency calculation; and  |
| 27 | ii) revised 2015 test year revenue   |
| 28 | requirement and revenue deficiency   |
| 29 | calculation.   |
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| 32 | WHEREAS the Applicant is a corporation continued and existing under the <i>Hydro</i>       |
| 33 | Corporation Act, 2007, is a public utility within the meaning of the Act and is subject to |
| 34 | the provisions of the <i>Electrical Power Control Act</i> , 1994; and                      |
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| 36 | WHEREAS under the Act the Board has the general supervision of public utilities and        |
| 37 | requires that a public utility submit for the approval of the Board the rates, tolls and   |

charges for the service provided by the public utility and the rules and regulations which

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relate to that service; and

WHEREAS on July 30, 2013, Hydro filed a General Rate Application together with evidence in support thereof to establish customer electricity rates to take effect in 2014 based upon a 2013 Test Year; and WHEREAS on November 10, 2014, Hydro filed an Amended General Rate Application (the Amended GRA) together with evidence in support thereof to establish customer electricity rates to take effect in 2015 based upon a 2015 Test Year. WHEREAS as part of its consideration of the Amended GRA, the Board undertook a prudence review of certain decisions and actions by Hydro related to projects and operating expenditures reflected in the rate base, revenue requirement and revenue deficiency for Hydro's 2014 Test Year and 2015 Test Year; and WHEREAS by Order No. P.U. 13(2016), the Board ordered that Hydro will not recover certain capital or operating expenses in the 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and/or the 2015 Test Year costs; and WHEREAS the Board further ordered Hydro to file in accordance with the subsequent direction of the Board a revised 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, a revised 2015 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, and supporting documentation reflecting the findings of the Board in Order No. P.U. 13(2016); and WHEREAS on May 5, 2016, the Board provided subsequent direction to revise its 2014 revenue requirement and its 2015 test year revenue requirement to remove all capital and operating costs relating to any costs disallowed by the Board, costs related to the January 2013 outage, and Phase Two professional and salary costs, as set out in Order No. P.U. 13(2016); and WHEREAS on May 19, 2016, Hydro filed a Prudence Review Compliance Application, which included a "Prudence Review Compliance Report" documenting Hydro's calculation of a revised 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency and a revised 2015 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency reflecting the determinations of the Board in Order No. P.U. 13(2016) and the subsequent direction provided by the Board on May 5, 2016; and WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that the Prudence Review Compliance Report meets the requirements for the filing directed in Order No. P.U. 13(2016). 

#### **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:** The Prudence Review Compliance Report is approved and accepted as the 1. filing required in Order No. P.U. 13(2016). 2. Hydro shall pay all costs and expenses of the Board incurred in connection with this Application. **DATED** at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this day of , 2016.

**IN THE MATTER OF** the Public Utilities Act, RSNL, 1990, Chapter P-47 (The "Act"); and

IN THE MATTER OF a General Rate Application (the Amended GRA) by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for approvals of, under Sections 70 and 75 of the Act, changes in the rates to be charged for the supply of power and energy to Newfoundland Power, Rural Customers and Industrial Customers; and under Section 71 of the Act, changes in the Rules and Regulations applicable to the supply of electricity to Rural Customers; and

IN THE MATTER OF a prudence review by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities of certain projects and expenditures of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro; and

**IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for approval of:

i) revised 2014 revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation; andii) revised 2015 test year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation.

**Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro** 

**Prudence Review Compliance Report** 

May 25, 2016



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#### 1 BACKGROUND

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- 2 On July 30, 2013 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Hydro) filed its General Rate Application
- 3 (GRA) based upon a 2013 test year. On June 6, 2014, Hydro gave notice to the Board of
- 4 Commissioner of Public Utilities (the Board) and parties that it planned to file an amended
- 5 application in the Fall of 2014 based on updated financial information. On November 10, 2014,
- 6 Hydro filed its Amended General Rate Application (the Amended GRA) to establish customer
- 7 electricity rates to take effect in 2015 based upon a 2015 Test Year. Further, the Amended GRA
- 8 sought approval from the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the Board) for Hydro to
- 9 recover \$49.5 million, representing the difference between Hydro's forecast revenues from
- existing rates for 2014 and Hydro's forecast 2014 revenue requirement based on a 2014 Test
- 11 Year. Further, on November 12, 2015, Hydro also filed an Amended 2015 Cost Deferral
- 12 Application, amending its July 10, 2015 Cost Deferral Application, seeking the deferral of \$60.5
- million to reduce its forecast 2015 net income deficiency based on delayed implementation of
- rates resulting from its Amended GRA. In Order No. P.U. 36(2015), the Board approved a
- deferral of \$30.2 million, as of December 31, 2015, with a final determination on recovery of
- this amount to be determined by a future order of the Board.

18 As part of its consideration of Hydro's Amended GRA, the Board undertook a prudence review

- of certain decisions and actions by Hydro relating to projects and operating expenditures
- 20 reflected in the rate base, revenue requirement and revenue deficiency for Hydro's 2014 Test
- 21 Year and 2015 Test Year.
- 23 In Order No. P.U. 13(2016), the Board ordered that, as a result of its prudence review, Hydro
- 24 would not be allowed to recover its capital or operating expenses areas associated with:
- Overhauls of the Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1L17 breakers;
- Sunnyside Terminal Station equipment repairs and replacement;
- Western Avalon T5 tap changer replacement and associated transformer repairs;
- Extraordinary transformer and breaker repairs;

- Additional supply costs associated with the 2014 failure of Holyrood breaker B1L17
   and the resulting outage of Holyrood Thermal Generating Station (Holyrood) Unit 1;
  - Certain expenses related to professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers, and overtime associated with imprudence and the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages; and
  - The Holyrood Unit 1 turbine failure in 2013.

The Board further ordered that Hydro would not be allowed to recover in the 2014 revenue requirement \$500,000 associated with black start capability at Holyrood.

The Board also ordered Hydro to create a separate account for Hydro's professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers and overtime costs for 2014, 2015 and subsequent years relating to Phase Two of the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages, with the recovery of the costs to be addressed in a subsequent order of the Board following a further application by Hydro.

Finally, Hydro was directed to file, in accordance with subsequent direction of the Board, i) a revised 2014 revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, ii) a revised 2015 test year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, and iii) supporting documentation reflecting the findings of the Board in Order P.U. 13(2016). By letter dated May 5, 2016, the Board directed Hydro to revise and file its 2014 revenue requirement and its 2015 test year revenue requirement to remove all capital and operating costs relating to any costs disallowed by the Board, costs related to the January 2013 outage, and Phase Two professional and salary costs, as set out in Order No. P.U. 13(2016).

This report documents Hydro's calculation of a revised 2014 revenue requirement and revenue deficiency and a revised 2015 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency, based on the proposals in the Amended GRA, and incorporating the determinations and instructions of the Board in Order No. P.U. 13(2016) and its letter of May 5, 2016.

#### 2 OVERVIEW

- 2 This evidence examines the impact of adjustments to Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue
- 3 requirement and Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement, and the consequent impacts on
- 4 the 2014 and 2015 Test Year revenue deficiencies. In some instances, Order No. P.U. 13(2016)
- 5 references figures based on actual costs. However, in order to calculate the impact of P.U.
- 6 13(2016) on Hydro's proposed revenue requirements, test year costs must be used, not actual
- 7 costs incurred. As such, the figures presented in this report reflect test year data.

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- 9 Taken together, the adjustments directed in Order No. P.U. 13(2016) affect three components
- of Hydro's test year revenue requirement: operating expenses, amortization and return on rate
- base (RORB). Not every adjustment affects every component. Also, while some adjustments
- affect revenue requirement components in both the 2014 Test Year and the 2015 Test Year,
- others do not. The total revenue requirement impact of Order No. P.U. 13(2016) is shown by
- 14 Test Year in Table 1.

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Impact of P.U. 13(2016)

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|      |       |  | 2014 Test Year     | 2015 Test Year     | Total              |
|------|-------|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Line | Order |  | Revenue            | Revenue            | Revenue            |
| No.  | Ref.  | Particulars (\$000s)                         | Requirement Impact | Requirement Impact | Requirement Impact |
| 1    | 1.1   | Sunnyside & Holyrood Breakers                | (24.4)             | (105.6)            | (130.0)            |
| 2    | 1.2   | Sunnyside Terminal                           | (524.9)            | (371.9)            | (896.8)            |
| 3    | 1.3   | Western Avalon                               | (55.0)             | (138.4)            | (193.4)            |
| 4    | 1.4   | Extraordinary Maintenance                    | (903.0)            | (75.0)             | (978.0)            |
| 5    | 1.5   | Supply Costs                                 | (50.6)             | (371.7)            | (422.3)            |
| 6    | 1.6   | January 2014 Outages - Professional Services | (2,801.1)          | (854.0)            | (3,655.1)          |
| 7    | 1.7   | Unit 1                                       | (1,138.6)          | (1,070.3)          | (2,208.9)          |
| 8    | 2     | Black Start                                  | (500.0)            | -                  | (500.0)            |
| 9    | 3     | Phase Two - Professional Services            | (121.5)            | (132.4)            | (253.9)            |
| 10   |       | Total  | (6,119.1)          | (3,119.3)          | (9,238.4)          |

- 19 The attached Schedule 1 shows the impact of each of the adjustments directed in Order No.
- 20 P.U. 13(2016) and their combined impact on Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue deficiency and
- 21 Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue deficiency. The adjustments directed in Order No. P.U.
- 13(2016) reduce Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency by \$6.1

- 1 million. Before these adjustments, Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue deficiency was \$45.9
- 2 million.<sup>1</sup> The adjustments directed in Order No. P.U. 13(2016) result in a 2014 revenue
- 3 deficiency of \$39.8 million.

- 5 In 2015, Hydro applied for the deferral of \$60.5 million to reduce its 2015 revenue deficiency
- 6 due to the delayed conclusion of Hydro's Amended GRA beyond the end of 2015. In Order No.
- 7 P.U. 36(2015), the Board approved the deferral of \$30.2 million with a final determination on
- 8 the recovery of this amount to be determined by further order of the Board. For 2015,
- 9 Schedule 1 of this report shows the approved deferral amount of \$30.2 million, consistent with
- the Board's order. However, this does not represent Hydro's full return or corresponding
- revenue deficiency for 2015, which Hydro anticipates will be addressed by the Board in its final
- 12 GRA order.

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- 14 The adjustments directed in Order No. P.U. 13(2016) reduce Hydro's 2015 cost deferral by \$3.1
- million. This results in a 2015 Test Year revenue requirement of \$659.4 million, and a 2015 cost
- deferral of \$27.1 million.

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- 18 Additionally, several of the disallowances require removing capital assets from rate base. In the
- span of a year (and within a 12-month test year) the effect of excluding an asset from rate base
- 20 is measured by the foregone recovery of the depreciation of and RORB on that asset for that
- 21 year. The value of an excluded asset might seem large compared to the excluded depreciation
- and RORB for that asset in a given year; however, the annual exclusion is imposed each year,
- 23 year after year, for the life of the excluded asset.

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#### 3 IMPACT ANALYSIS BY CATEGORY

- The following provides an analysis reflecting the findings of the Board in Order No. P.U.
- 27 13(2016). The dollar figures reported in the item by item analysis are rounded to the nearest
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended GRA, Finance Evidence, Schedule III, page 1.

#### 3.1 Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1L17 Breakers

 Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . overhauls of the Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1LI7 breakers associated with imprudence.

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- 6 These overhauls are capital projects, which Hydro recorded in late 2014.<sup>2</sup> In the Amended GRA,
- 7 the 2014 Test Year revenue requirement included depreciation and RORB for both overhauls
- 8 for the part-year beginning when these projects were recorded. In the Amended GRA, the 2015
- 9 Test Year revenue requirement included depreciation and RORB for both overhauls for the full
- 10 year.

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- 12 As shown in the attached Schedule 4, the Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1L17 Breakers
- adjustment reduces Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$24,500 (\$6,100 in
- depreciation and \$18,400 in RORB). Further, the Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1L17 Breakers
- adjustment reduces Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$105,600 (\$72,900 in
- depreciation and \$32,700 in RORB).

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- 18 Of the \$24,500 reduction in Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement, \$7,600 relates to the
- overhaul of the Sunnyside B1L03 breaker and \$16,900 relates to the overhaul of the Holyrood
- 20 B1L17 breaker. Of the \$105,600 reduction in Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement,
- \$32,600 relates to the overhaul of the Sunnyside B1L03 breaker and \$73,000 relates to the
- 22 overhaul of the Holyrood B1L17 breaker.

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#### 3.2 Sunnyside Terminal Station

 Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . the portion of the Sunnyside Terminal Station equipment repairs and replacement associated with imprudence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order No. P.U. 13(2016), page 65, line 25.

- 1 The 2014 Test Year and the 2015 Test Year in the Amended GRA reflect the betterment
- 2 approach to asset replacement.<sup>3</sup> In Order No. P.U. 13(2016), the Board determined the
- 3 betterment approach should not be used and directed Hydro recognize the new assets on a
- 4 depreciated basis at the time of the expected replacement date.<sup>4</sup>

- 6 Using the approach directed by the Board,<sup>5</sup> the replacement of assets at Sunnyside Terminal
- 7 Station is recorded by establishing two regulatory assets. One of the regulatory assets is
- 8 recorded at the original assets' depreciated cost. This regulatory asset mimics the original asset
- 9 and is amortized over the expected remaining life of the original asset with return on the new
- 10 regulatory asset recoverable through Hydro's rates. The other regulatory asset is recorded at
- the cost of the new replacement asset. During the expected remaining life of the original asset,
- depreciation of the replacement asset regulatory asset must be recorded, but neither the
- depreciation of this asset nor any return on this asset is eligible for recovery from customers.

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- 15 To comply with the Board-directed alternative, the depreciation and RORB components of
- 16 Hydro's 2014 Test Year and 2015 Test Year revenue requirement must be decreased by the
- amounts attributable to the replacement asset<sup>7</sup> and increased by the corresponding amounts
- 18 for the regulatory deferral representing the original asset.

- 20 As shown in the attached Schedule 5, the Sunnyside Terminal Station adjustments reduce
- 21 Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$524,900. The reduction comprises a decrease
- in the RORB component of \$109,600 and an increase in depreciation of \$9,800. The Board-
- 23 directed approach also requires reversing the previously recorded loss on disposal to set up a
- 24 Regulatory Asset for the "replaced asset," resulting in a \$425,000 decrease in 2014 Test Year
- 25 operating expenses and revenue requirement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Order No. P.U. 13(2016), page 62, lines 13 to 26.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Order No. P.U. 13(2016), page 63, line 43 to page 64, line 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Order No. P.U. 13(2016), page 63, line 43 to page 64, line 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Refer generally to Order No. P.U. 13(2016), page 64, lines 7-15; also see testimony of Mr. Antonuk, November 12, 2015 Transcript, page 151, line 1 to page 157, line 8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> These amounts will be recorded against "replacement" regulatory asset.

- 1 Further, the Sunnyside Terminal Station adjustment reduces Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue
- 2 requirement by \$371,900, consisting of a \$277,600 net reduction in RORB and a \$94,300 net
- 3 decrease in depreciation.

- 5 As a result of this disallowance, Hydro's revenue requirement will exclude these amounts for
- 6 each of the next 22.4 years, the expected remaining life of the replaced asset, by amounts
- 7 similar to the 2015 Test Year reduction.

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### 3.3 Western Avalon T5 Tap Changer

- Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . the Western Avalon
- 12 T5 tap changer replacement and transformer repairs associated with imprudence.

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- Typically, Hydro would have determined the revenue requirement impact of the Western
- 15 Avalon T5 Tap Changer adjustment using the same approach as the Sunnyside Terminal Station
- adjustment. However, the replacement asset failed in 2015. As such, Hydro recorded the new
- asset as a loss on disposal in its 2015 actual results.

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- 19 In the interest of simplicity, Hydro performed the following:
- Exclusion of the "replacement" asset in the 2014 and 2015 Test Year;
- Did not reverse the loss on disposal of the replaced asset (\$28k) in the 2014 Test

  Year;
  - Did not set up the a regulatory asset of the replaced asset in the 2014 Test Year; and
  - Recorded a full loss on disposal of the Western Avalon Tap Changer replacement asset in Hydro's 2015 Actuals.

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- 27 This approach results in no direct recovery of the 2014 Western Avalon Tap Changer
- 28 "replacement asset" from customers.

- 1 As shown in the attached Schedule 6, with the approach described above, the Western Avalon
- 2 T5 Tap Changer adjustment decreases Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$55,000,
- 3 consisting of a \$3,400 decrease in depreciation and a \$51,600 decrease in RORB. This also
- 4 decreases Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$138,400, consisting of a \$41,000
- 5 decrease in depreciation and a \$97,400 decrease in RORB.

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#### 3.4 Extraordinary Transformer and Breaker Repairs

 Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . extraordinary transformer and breaker repairs in 2014 and 2015 associated with imprudence.

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As shown in the attached Schedule 7, the adjustment for Extraordinary Transformer and

Breaker Repairs decreases Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$903,000. The

reduction is based upon a reduction in Hydro's 2014 Test Year operating expenses. The

adjustment for Extraordinary Transformer and Breaker Repairs does not affect the depreciation

or RORB components of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement.

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- 18 As also shown in the attached Schedule 7, the adjustment for Extraordinary Transformer and
- 19 Breaker Repairs decreases Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$75,000. This
- reduction is primarily due to a decrease in the depreciation component of Hydro's 2015 Test
- 21 Year revenue requirement by \$249,000 and a decrease to the RORB component of Hydro's
- 22 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$34,000. This is partially mitigated by an increase in
- 23 Hydro's operating expenses of \$208,000.

- 25 With regard to the operating expenses component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue
- requirement, Liberty noted that any transformer maintenance amounts above \$411,870 in
- 27 2015 and any breaker maintenance in excess of \$398,021 would be associated with
- 28 imprudence. Order No. P.U. 13(2016) also provides that, "Since Hydro's decision to move to a
- 29 four-year maintenance cycle for air-blast circuit breakers as of 2015 was prudent, additional

- costs associated with that decision are justified and will be allowed."8 As a result of the allowed
- 2 additional costs, the adjustment for Extraordinary Transformer and Breaker Repairs increases
- 3 the operating expenses component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by
- 4 \$208,000.

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### 3.5 Fuel Supply Deferral

 Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . additional supply costs associated with the 2014 failure of Holyrood breaker B1L17 and the resulting outage of Holyrood Unit 1 associated with imprudence.

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The Fuel Supply Deferral adjustment does not affect the depreciation component of Hydro's

13 2014 Test Year revenue requirement. As shown in the attached Schedule 8, this adjustment

decreases the RORB component of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$50,600,

consisting of \$31,900 related to breaker supply costs and \$18,700 attributable to the resulting

outage of Unit 1 at Holyrood during January 5-8, 2014.

- 18 As also shown in the attached Schedule 8, the Fuel Supply Deferral adjustment decreases the
- depreciation component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$284,400,
- consisting of a \$179,200 decrease related to breaker supply costs and a \$105,200 decrease
- 21 related to Holyrood Unit 1 supply costs. The Fuel Supply Deferral adjustment also decreases
- 22 the RORB component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$87,300, consisting of
- 23 \$55,000 decrease related to breaker supply costs and a \$32,300 decrease attributable to the
- resulting outage of Unit 1 at Holyrood during January 5-8, 2014. to Holyrood Unit 1 vibration
- 25 related supply costs.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Order No. P.U. 13(2016), page 67, lines 20 to 23.

### 3.6 Professional Services – Consulting Fees, Salary Transfers and Overtime

#### 3.6.1 January 2014 Outages Investigation

Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue
requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . certain expenses
related to professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers, and overtime
associated with imprudence and the Board's investigation into the January 2014
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As shown in the attached Schedule 9, this adjustment reduces the operating expenses component of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$2,801,100, consisting of \$386,000 in salary transfers, \$510,100 in incremental overtime and \$1,905,000 in professional

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- As also shown in the attached Schedule 9, this adjustment reduces the operating expenses
- component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$854,000 in professional
- services/consulting fees. Please refer to 'Section 3.6.3 Work Concerning Other Subjects' for
- further discussion of the \$854,000 in professional services/consulting fees.

#### 3.6.2 Work Concerning Phase Two Investigation

 Hydro will create a separate account into which will be transferred professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers and overtime costs for 2014, 2015 and subsequent years relating to Phase Two of the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages, with the recovery of the costs to be addressed in a subsequent order of the Board following a further application by Hydro.

As ordered by the Board in Order P.U. No. 13(2016), recovery of amounts placed in this separate account will be addressed in a subsequent Board order following a further application by Hydro. This section of the evidence therefore is intended solely to identify the impact of these transfers on Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and 2015 Test Year revenue requirement.

As shown in the attached Schedule 10, the Phase Two Deferral increases the RORB component of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$4,500 and increases the RORB component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$13,600. As also shown in the attached Schedule 10, the Phase Two Deferral decreases the operating expenses component of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$126,000 and decreases the operating expenses component of Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$146,000. Please refer to 'Section 3.6.3 Work Concerning Other Subjects' for further discussion of the \$146,000 in professional services/consulting fees.

#### 3.6.3 Work Concerning Other Subjects

Hydro included \$1.0 million in its 2015 Test Year for "regulatory studies and filings." For the purposes of 2015, the "regulatory studies and filings" represented \$854,000 attributable to the January 2014 Outages investigations and \$146,000 attributable to Phase Two of the Board's investigation. As per Order No. P.U. 13 (2016), the costs associated with Phase One and Phase Two should be excluded in the calculation of Hydro's 2015 revenue deficiency. This is reflected

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Amended GRA, Section 2: Regulated Activities, Page 2.40.

- in Table 1. However, for future years, e.g., 2016 and 2017, the \$1.0 million budgeted represents
- 2 other anticipated studies and hearings related to the preparation of the 2018 GRA such as
- 3 Hydro's Cost of Service Study and studies relating to Hydro's Rate Stabilization Plan. As these
- 4 future anticipated studies and hearings are required to be completed and do not relate to the
- 5 disallowance in question, Hydro submits that the \$1.0 million for should not be disallowed for
- 6 rate setting purposes in 2016.

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#### 3.7 Holyrood Unit 1 Turbine Failure

 Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with . . . Holyrood Unit 1 turbine failure in 2013.

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- 13 As shown in the attached Schedule 11, the Holyrood Unit 1 Turbine Failure adjustment
- decreases the depreciation component of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by
- \$781,600, and decreases the RORB component of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement
- 16 by \$357,100.

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- 18 As also shown in Schedule 11, this adjustment decreases the depreciation component of
- 19 Hydro's 2015 Test Year revenue requirement by \$781,600, and decreases the RORB component
- of Hydro's 2014 Test Year revenue requirement by \$288,700.

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#### 3.8 Holyrood Black Start

• Hydro will not recover in the 2014 revenue requirement \$500,000 associated with its imprudence in managing black start capability at Holyrood.

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- 26 The attached Schedule 12 shows a reduction in the operating expenses component of Hydro's
- 27 2014 Test Year revenue requirement in the amount of \$500,000.

### 1 4 CONCLUSION

- 2 The Board directed Hydro to file, in accordance with the subsequent direction of the Board, a
- 3 revised 2014 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, a revised 2015
- 4 Test Year revenue requirement and revenue deficiency calculation, and supporting
- 5 documentation reflecting the findings of the Board in Order P.U. 13(2016). Hydro respectfully
- 6 submits that this report fulfills the Board's direction and that the Board should approve this
- 7 report as the filing required in Order No. P.U. 13(2016).

|          |      |  | 2014 Cost Deferral | 2015 Cost Deferral | <u>Total</u> |
|----------|------|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Line No. | Item | PUB Order Number                             | P.U. 58(2014)      | P.U. 36(2015)      |              |
| 1        |      | Approved Deferral Amounts                    | 45,900.0           | 30,200.0           | 76,100.0     |
|          |      | Order No. P.U. 13(2016) Disallowances:       |                    |                    |              |
| 2        | 1.1  | Sunnyside & Holyrood Breakers                | (24.4)             | (105.6)            | (130.0)      |
| 3        | 1.2  | Sunnyside Terminal                           | (524.9)            | (371.9)            | (896.8)      |
| 4        | 1.3  | Western Avalon                               | (55.0)             | (138.4)            | (193.4)      |
| 5        | 1.4  | Extraordinary Maintenance                    | (903.0)            | (75.0)             | (978.0)      |
| 6        | 1.5  | Supply Costs                                 | (50.6)             | (371.7)            | (422.3)      |
| 7        | 1.6  | January 2014 Outages - Professional Services | (2,801.1)          | (854.0)            | (3,655.1)    |
| 8        | 1.7  | Unit 1                                       | (1,138.6)          | (1,070.3)          | (2,208.9)    |
| 9        | 2.0  | Black Start                                  | (500.0)            | -                  | (500.0)      |
| 10       | 3.0  | Phase Two - Professional Services            | (121.5)            | (132.4)            | (253.9)      |
|          |      | Total Revenue Requirement Impact             | (6,119.1)          | (3,119.3)          | (9,238.4)    |
| 11       |      | Revised 2014 and 2015 Cost Deferrals         | 39,780.9           | 27,080.7           | 66,861.6     |

#### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Financial Results and Forecasts Statement of Income and Retained Earnings (\$000s)

|         |  | 2014      | 2014                 | 2014            | 2015      | 2015                                 | 2015            |
|---------|--|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
|         |  | Original  | P.U. 13(2016)        | Prudence        | Original  | P.U. 13(2016)                        | Prudence        |
| Line No | o. Particulars                           | Test Year | Adjustments          | Compliance      | Test Year | Adjustments                          | Compliance      |
|         |  | (a)       | (b)                  | (c) = (a) + (b) | (d)       | (e)                                  | (f) = (d) + (e) |
| 1       | Revenue                                  |           |                      |                 |           |                                      |                 |
| 2       | Energy sales                             | 514,599   | -                    | 514,599         | 659,967   | -                                    | 659,967         |
| 3       | Revenue deficiency                       | 45,921    | (6,119) Sch 1        | 39,802          | -         | (3,119) Sch 1                        | (3,119)         |
| 3       | Other revenue                            | 2,335     | <u>-</u>             | 2,335           | 2,508     | <u> </u>                             | 2,508           |
| 4       | Total revenue                            | 562,855   | (6,119)              | 556,736         | 662,475   | (3,119)                              | 659,356         |
| 5       | Expenses                                 |           |                      |                 |           |                                      |                 |
| 6       | Operating expenses                       | 126,068   | (4,755) <i>14(b)</i> | 121,313         | 138,179   | (1,041) 14(h)<br>+26(h)              | 137,138         |
| 7       | Other Income and expense                 | 2,068     | -                    | 2,068           | 4,074     | -                                    | 4,074           |
| 8       | Fuels                                    | 201,714   | -                    | 201,714         | 267,820   | (284) <i>26(h)</i>                   | 267,536         |
| 9       | Fuel supply deferral                     | (9,956)   | =                    | (9,956)         | 1,991     | -                                    | 1,991           |
| 10      | Power purchases                          | 66,668    | -                    | 66,668          | 63,254    | -                                    | 63,254          |
| 11      | Amortization                             | 55,214    | 6 17(b)<br>+ 25(b)   | 55,220          | 63,792    | (135) <i>17(h)</i><br>+ <i>25(h)</i> | 63,657          |
| 12      | Accretion of asset retirement obligation | 852       | -                    | 852             | 878       |                                      | 878             |
| 13      | Interest                                 | 89,723    | _                    | 89,723          | 89,255    | _                                    | 89,255          |
| 14      | Total expenses                           | 532,351   | (4,749)              | 527,602         | 629,243   | (1,461)                              | 627,782         |
| 15      | Net income                               | 30,504    | (1,370)              | 29,134          | 33,232    | (1,658)                              | 31,574          |
| 16      | Retained earnings                        |           |                      |                 |           |                                      |                 |
| 17      | Balance at beginning of year             | 231,383   | =                    | 231,383         | 261,887   | _                                    | 261,887         |
| 18      | Opening adjustment - retained earnings   | -         | =                    | -               | -         | _                                    | -               |
| 19      | Dividends                                | -         | =                    | _               | _         | _                                    | -               |
| 20      | Balance at end of year                   | 261,887   | (1,370)              | 260,517         | 295,119   | (1,658)                              | 293,461         |
| 21      | Contributed Capital                      | 100,000   | -                    | 100,000         | 100,000   | -                                    | 100,000         |
| 22      | Total Retained Earnings                  | 361,887   | (1,370)              | 360,517         | 395,119   | -                                    | 395,119         |
| 23      | Prior Period Retained Earnings           | 331,383   | -                    | 331,383         | 361,887   | 1,370                                | 363,257         |
| 24      | Average Retained Earnings                | 346,635   | (685)                | 345,950         | 378,503   | 685                                  | 379,188         |
| 25      | Financial ROE                            | 8.8%      |                      | 8.4%            | 8.8%      |                                      | 8.3%            |
|         |  |           |                      |                 |           |                                      |                 |

#### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Financial Results and Forecasts Rate of Return on Rate Base (\$000s)

|         |  | 2014      | 2014                 | 2014            | 2015      | 2015                 | 2015            |
|---------|--|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|
|         |  | Original  | P.U. 13(2016)        | Prudence        | Original  | P.U. 13(2016)        | Prudence        |
| Line No | . Particulars                              | Test Year | Adjustments          | Compliance      | Test Year | Adjustments          | Compliance      |
|         |  | (a)       | (b)                  | (c) = (a) + (b) | (d)       | (e)                  | (f) = (d) + (e) |
| 1       | Property, plant, and equipment             | 1,673,188 | (5,372) <i>17(a)</i> | 1,667,816       | 1,889,482 | (6,599) <i>17(g)</i> | 1,882,883       |
| 2       | add: accumulated depreciation              | 193,532   | 13 17(c)             | 193,545         | 203,834   | 167 <i>17(i)</i>     | 204,001         |
| 3       | add: contributions in aid of construction  | 16,550    | -                    | 16,550          | 17,936    | =                    | 17,936          |
| 5       | less: work in progress                     | (42,950)  | -                    | (42,950)        | (240,977) | =                    | (240,977)       |
| 6       | Capital assets in service                  | 1,840,320 | (5,359)              | 1,834,961       | 1,870,275 | (6,432)              | 1,863,843       |
| 7       | less: asset retirement obligation          | (14,442)  | -                    | (14,442)        | (12,169)  | -                    | (12,169)        |
| 8       | less: contributions in aid of construction | (16,550)  | -                    | (16,550)        | (17,936)  | =                    | (17,936)        |
| 9       | less: accumulated depreciation             | (193,532) | -                    | (193,532)       | (203,834) | -                    | (203,834)       |
| 10      | Capital assets - current year              | 1,615,796 | (5,359)              | 1,610,437       | 1,636,336 | (6,432)              | 1,629,904       |
| 11      | Capital assets - previous year             | 1,432,533 | <u> </u>             | 1,432,533       | 1,615,796 | (5,359)              | 1,610,437       |
| 12      | Unadjusted capital assets - average        | 1,524,165 | (2,680)              | 1,521,485       | 1,626,066 | (5,896)              | 1,620,170       |
| 13      | less: Average net assets not in use        | (2,941)   | (5,273) 21(e)        | (8,214)         | (2,605)   | (4,713) 21(k)        | (7,318)         |
| 14      | Capital assets - average                   | 1,521,224 | (7,953)              | 1,513,271       | 1,623,461 | (10,609)             | 1,612,852       |
| 15      | Cash working capital allowance             | 9,207     | =                    | 9,207           | 7,037     | -                    | 7,037           |
| 16      | Fuel                                       | 65,110    | -                    | 65,110          | 66,633    | =                    | 66,633          |
| 17      | Materials and supplies                     | 25,823    | -                    | 25,823          | 27,402    | =                    | 27,402          |
| 18      | Deferred charges                           | 71,203    | 1,723 32(e)          | 72,926          | 77,491    | 3,289 <i>32(k)</i>   | 80,780          |
| 19      | less: Deferred Charges not in use          |           | (1,955) <i>31(e)</i> | (1,955)         | -         | (4,467) 31(k)        | (4,467)         |
| 20      | Average rate base                          | 1,692,567 | (8,185)              | 1,684,381       | 1,802,023 | (11,786)             | 1,790,237       |
| 21      | Unadjusted return on regulated equity      | 30,504    | (1,370)              | 29,134          | 33,232    | (1,658)              | 31,574          |
| 22      | add: Cost of service exclusions            | 336       | 788 21(b)            | 1,124           | 323       | 854 21(m)            | 1,177           |
| 23      | Interest                                   | 89,723    | -                    | 89,723          | 89,255    | -                    | 89,255          |
| 24      | Return on rate base                        | 120,563   | (583)                | 119,980         | 122,810   | (804)                | 122,006         |
| 25      | Rate of return on rate base                | 7.12%     | 7.12%                | 7.12%           | 6.82%     | 6.82%                | 6.82%           |

#### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Compliance Adjustment Summary Leadsheet

2014 Test Year 2015 Test Year **Board Order** Line No. Reference Particulars (\$000's) 0&M 0&M (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (1) **Operating Cost Adjustments** Sunnyside Terminal - Operating Costs 1 833 2 Sunnyside Terminal - Loss on Disposal 1 425 Sunnyside Terminal - Insurance: allocated against Operating and (1,258)3 Reverse Sunnyside Loss on Disposal - Set up New Regulatory Asset 4 1.2 425 Extraordinary Maintenance 5 1.4 903 (208)Holyrood Black Start 6 2.0 500 Salary Transfers 386 7 1.6 Incremental Overtime 8 510 1.6 January 2014 Outages - Professional Services - Legal 9 1.6 623 291 10 January 2014 Outages -Professional Services - Board Outage Inquiry 958 447 1.6 January 2014 Outages -Professional Services - Intervenor Outage 11 1.6 250 117 Inquiry Costs Phase Two Deferral - Professional Services 126 12 3.0 146 January 2014 Outages - Professional Services - Event Engineering 74 13 1.6 **Operating Costs** 4,755 792 14 2014 T--+ V-2015 T--+ V-

|          | 2014 Test Year |  |         |              |              |          |              |           | 2015 Test Year |              |              |          |              |           |
|----------|----------------|--|---------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-----------|
|          | Board Order    |  |         |              | Accumulated  | Net Book | Average Rate | Return on |                |              | Accumulated  | Net Book | Average Rate | Return on |
| Line No. | Reference      | Particulars (\$000's)  | Cost    | Depreciation | Amortization | Value    | Base         | Rate Base | Cost           | Depreciation | Amortization | Value    | Base         | Rate Base |
|          |                |  | (a)     | (b)          | (c)          | (d)      | (e)          | (f)       | (g)            | (h)          | (i)          | (j)      | (k)          | (1)       |
|          | Capital - Trai | nsferred to Regulatory Assets or Retired:                        |         |              |              |          |              |           |                |              |              |          |              |           |
| 15       | 1.3            | Western Avalon Tap Changer (Retired)                             | 1,453   | 3            | 3            | 1,449    | 725          | 52        | 1,453          | 41           | 44           | 1,409    | 1,429        | 97        |
| 16       | 1.2            | Sunnyside Terminal (Transfer to Regulatory Assets)               | 3,919   | 9            | 9            | 3,910    | 1,955        | 139       | 5,146          | 113          | 123          | 5,023    | 4,467        | 305       |
| 17       |                | Total Transfer of Capital Assets to Regulatory Assets or Retired | 5,372   | 13           | 13           | 5,359    | 2,680        | 191       | 6,599          | 154          | 167          | 6,432    | 5,896        | 402       |
|          |                |  |         |              |              |          |              |           |                |              |              |          |              |           |
| 18       | 1.1            | Sunnyside Breaker  | 161     | 2            | 2            | 159      | 80           | 6         | 161            | 22           | 24           | 137      | 148          | 10        |
| 19       | 1.1            | Holyrood Breaker   | 361     | 4            | 4            | 357      | 179          | 13        | 361            | 50           | 55           | 307      | 332          | 23        |
| 20       | 1.7            | Unit I Turbine Failure   | 5,601   | 782          | 977          | 4,624    | 5,015        | 357       | 5,601          | 782          | 1,759        | 3,843    | 4,233        | 289       |
| 21       |                | Total Assets Excluded from Rate Base (Assets not in service)     | 6,123   | 788          | 983          | 5,140    | 5,273        | 375       | 6,123          | 854          | 1,837        | 4,286    | 4,713        | 321       |
| 23       | 1.2            | Sunnyside Terminal Deferral - In Service                         | (425)   | (19)         | (19)         | (406)    | (416)        | (30)      | (425)          | (19)         | (38)         | (387)    | (401)        | (27)      |
| 24       | 3.0            | Phase Two Deferral   | (126)   |              | -            | (126)    | (63)         | (4)       | (272)          |              | -            | (272)    | (199)        | (14)      |
| 25       |                | New Regulatory Deferrals Included in Rate Base                   | (551)   | (19)         | (19)         | (532)    | (479)        | (34)      | (697)          | (19)         | (38)         | (659)    | (600)        | (41)      |
| 26       | 1.4            | Extraordinary Maintenance  | -       | -            | _            | _        | _            | _         | 1,245          | 249          | 249          | 996      | 498          | 34        |
| 27       | 1.5            | Fuel Supply Deferral - Period disallowance & vibration/fuel      | 1,422   | -            | -            | 1,422    | 711          | 51        | 1,422          | 284          | 284          | 1,138    | 1,280        | 87        |
| 28       |                | Impairment of Original Regulatory Deferrals                      | 1,422   | -            | -            | 1,422    | 711          | 51        | 2,667          | 533          | 533          | 2,134    | 1,778        | 121       |
| 30       | 1.2            | Sunnyside Terminal Deferral - Asset Not in Service               | (3,919) | (9)          | (9)          | (3,910)  | (1,955)      | _         | (5,146)        | (113)        | (123)        | (5,023)  | (4,467)      | _         |
| 31       | 2.2            | Total Regulatory Assets Excluded from Rate Base                  | (3,919) |              |              | (3,910)  |              |           | (5,146)        | . ,          | . , ,        | (5,023)  |              |           |
| 31       |                | , ····· indicate base  | (3,313) | (5)          | (5)          | (3,310)  | (1,555)      |           | (3,140)        | (113)        | (123)        | (3,023)  | (4,407)      |           |
| 32       |                | Total Regulatory Assets (Sum of Lines 25, 28, 31)                | (3,048) | (28)         | (28)         | (3,020)  | (1,723)      | 17        | (3,176)        | 401          | 373          | (3,549)  | (3,289)      | 80        |

 $<sup>^1\, \</sup>text{The net impact of the Sunnyside Terminal Station operating costs, loss on disposal and insurance was \$nill in the Test Year.}$ 

### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Sunnyside B1L03 & Holyrood B1L17

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.1 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... Overhauls of the Sunnyside B1L03 and Holyrood B1L17 breakers associated with imprudence."

The amount to be disallowed from Hydro's originally filed Amended Test Year, as a result of this portion of Order No. P.U. 13(2016) is detailed below. As a result, the following assets have been included in "Assets not in Service"

Table 1 - 2014 Test Year Disallowance

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's) <u>Capital/Deferred Asset</u> | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Sunnyside B1L03 | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Holyrood B1L17 | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Total Impact |
|----------|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1        | Original Cost                                       | 160.9                                    | 361.3                                   |                                       |
| 2        | Depreciation  | 1.9                                      | 4.2                                     | 6.1                                   |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                            | 1.9                                      | 4.2                                     |                                       |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                      | 159.0                                    | 357.1                                   |                                       |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                                   | 79.5                                     | 178.6                                   |                                       |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                                 | 5.7                                      | 12.7                                    | 18.4                                  |
|          | Operating   |  |   |                                       |
| 7        | Operating Expenses                                  | -  | -                                       | -                                     |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance              | 7.6                                      | 16.9                                    | 24.5                                  |

Table 2 - 2015 Test Year Disallowance

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)  Capital/Deferred Asset | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Sunnyside B1L03 | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br><i>Holyrood B1L17</i> | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Total Impact |
|----------|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1        | Original Cost                                 | 160.9                                    | 361.3  |                                       |
| 2        | Depreciation                                  | 22.5                                     | 50.4   | 72.9                                  |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                      | 24.3                                     | 54.6   |                                       |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                | 136.6                                    | 306.7  |                                       |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                             | 147.8                                    | 331.9  |                                       |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                           | 10.1                                     | 22.6   | 32.7                                  |
|          | Operating                                     |  |  |                                       |
| 7        | Operating Expenses                            | -  | -  | -                                     |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance        | 32.6                                     | 73.0   | 105.6                                 |

#### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Sunnyside Terminal Station

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.2 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... The portion of the Sunnyside Terminal Station equipment repairs and replacement associated with imprudence."

Table 1 - 2014 Test Year Disallowance

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|----------|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)  Capital/Deferred Asset | 2014 Test Year Sunnyside Terminal: Transfer from Capital to Regulatory | 2014 Test Year<br>Sunnyside<br>Terminal:<br>Deferral of 'Old<br>Asset' | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Total Impact | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Sunnyside Terminal<br>Deferral <sup>1</sup> |
| 1        | Original Cost                                 | 3,919.4  | (425.0)  |                                       | (3,919.4)  |
| 2        | Depreciation                                  | 9.2  | (19.0)   | (9.8)                                 | (9.2)  |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                      | 9.2  | (19.0)   |                                       | (9.2)  |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                | 3,910.2  | (406.0)  |                                       | (3,910.2)  |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                             | 1,955.1  | (415.5)  |                                       | (1,955.1)  |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                           | 139.2  | (29.6)   | 109.6                                 | -  |
|          | Operating Operating Expenses:                 |  |  |                                       |  |
| 7        | Operating Costs <sup>2</sup>                  | 833  | -  |                                       |  |
| 8        | Loss on Disposal <sup>2</sup>                 | 425  | -  |                                       |  |
| 9        | Insurance <sup>2</sup>                        | (1,258)  | -  |                                       |  |
| 10       | Reverse Sunnyside Loss on<br>Disposal         | -  | 425.0  | 425.0                                 | -  |
| 11       | Total Revenue Requirement<br>Disallowance     | 148.4  | 376.5  | 524.9                                 |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Asset not in service in the 2014/2015 Test Years. Excluded from rate base.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The net impact of the Sunnyside Terminal Station operating costs, loss on disposal and insurance was \$nill in the Test Year.

Table 2 - 2015 Test Year Disallowance

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)                  | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Sunnyside Terminal<br>Capital | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Sunnyside Terminal<br>Deferral | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Total Impact | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Sunnyside Terminal<br>Deferral <sup>1</sup> |
|----------|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|
|          | Capital/Deferred Asset                 |  |   |                                       |  |
| 1        | Original Cost                          | 5,145.8  | (425.0)   |                                       | (5,145.8)  |
| 2        | Depreciation                           | 113.3  | (19.0)  | 94.3                                  | (113.3)  |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization               | 122.5  | (37.9)  |                                       | (122.5)  |
| 4        | Net Book Value                         | 5,023.3  | (387.1)   |                                       | (5,023.3)  |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                      | 4,466.7  | (396.6)   |                                       | (4,466.7)  |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                    | 304.6  | (27.0)  | 277.6                                 | (304.6)  |
|          | Operating                              | 4,466.7  | (396.6)   |                                       |  |
| 7        | Operating Expenses                     | -  | -   | -                                     | -  |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance | 417.9  | (46.0)  | 371.9                                 |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Asset not in service in the 2014/2015 Test Years. Excluded from rate base.

**Note:** As per guidance provided on November 12th, 2015 on pages 151-157, Hydro recorded Sunnyside Terminal Stations as the following:

- (i) Transferred the 'replacement' asset from Capital Assets to Regulatory Assets 'Not in Service'.
- (ii) Excluded the depreciation of the Regulatory Assets Not in Service from Revenue Requirement.
- (iii) Reversed the loss on disposal of the 'replaced' asset in 2014.
- (iv) Set up the 'replaced' asset as a Regulatory Asset to depreciate over a 22.4 year remaining life.

#### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Western Avalon T5 Tap Changer

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.3 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... the Western Avalon T5 tap changer replacement and transformer repairs associated with imprudence."

The amount to be disallowed from Hydro's originally filed Amended Test Year, as a result

Table 1 - 2014/2015 Test Year Disallowances

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)  Capital / Deferred Asset | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Western Avalon<br>Tap Changer<br>Capital | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Western Avalon<br>Tap Changer<br>Capital |
|----------|---|---|---|
| 1        | Original Cost                                   | 1,452.5   | 1,453.0   |
| 2        | Depreciation                                    | 3.4   | 41.0  |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                        | 3.4   | 44.4  |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                  | 1,449.1   | 1,408.6   |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                               | 724.5   | 1,428.8   |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                             | 51.6  | 97.4  |
|          | <b>Operating</b>                                |   |   |
| 7        | Operating Expenses                              | -   | -   |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance          | 55.0  | 138.4   |

**Note**: Due to the failure of the 'replacement' Western Avalon Tap Changer in 2015 Actuals Hydro recorded the 'replacement' asset as a loss on disposal in the 2015 actuals. As a result, for simplicity Hydro performed the following:

- (i) Excluded the 'replacement' asset in the 2014 and 2015 Test Year.
- (ii) Did not reverse the loss on disposal of the 'replaced' asset (\$28k) in the 2014 Test Year.
- (ii) Did not set up the a regulatory asset of the 'replaced' asset in the 2014 Test Year.
- (iv) Recorded a full loss on disposal of the Western Avalon Tap Changer in 2015.

Actuals. Results in no direct recovery of the 2014 Asset from ratepayers.

### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Extraordinary Maintenance

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.4 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... extraordinary transformer and breaker repairs in 2014 and 2015 associated with imprudence."

Table 1 - 2014/2015 Test Year Disallowances

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)  Capital/Deferred Asset  | <b>2014 Test Year</b> <i>Extraordinary Breaker Repairs</i> | <b>2015 Test Year</b> <i>Extraordinary Breaker Repairs</i> |
|----------|--|--|--|
| 1        | Original Cost                                  | -  | 1,245.0  |
| 2        | Depreciation                                   | -  | 249.0  |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                       | -  | 249.0  |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                 | -  | 996.0  |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                              | -  | 498.0  |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                            | -  | 34.0   |
|          | <b>Operating</b>                               |  |  |
| 7        | Operating Expenses - Extraordinary Maintenance | 903.0  | (208.0)  |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance         | 903.0  | 75.0   |

#### Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Fuel Supply Deferral

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.5 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... additional supply costs associated with the 2014 failure of Holyrood breaker B1L17 and the resulting outage of Holyrood Unit 1 associated with imprudence."

Table 1 - 2014 Test Year Disallowance

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)                          | 2014 Test Year          | 2014 Test Year                     | 2014 Test Year |
|----------|--|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
|          |  | Breaker<br>Supply Costs | Unit 1 - Vibration<br>Supply Costs | Total Impact   |
|          | Capital/Deferred Asset                         |                         |                                    |                |
| 1        | Original Cost                                  | 896.0                   | 526.0                              |                |
| 2        | Depreciation                                   | -                       | -                                  | -              |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                       | -                       | -                                  |                |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                 | 896.0                   | 526.0                              |                |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                              | 448.0                   | 263.0                              |                |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                            | 31.9                    | 18.7                               | 50.6           |
|          | Operating                                      |                         |                                    |                |
| 7        | Operating Expenses - Extraordinary Maintenance | -                       | -                                  | -              |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance         | 31.9                    | 18.7                               | 50.6           |

Table 2 - 2015 Test Year Disallowance

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)  Capital/Deferred Asset     | <b>2015 Test Year</b> Breaker  Supply Costs | 2015 Test Year<br>Unit 1<br>Supply Costs | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br>Total Impact |
|----------|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|
|          |   |   |  |                                       |
| 1        | Original Cost                                     | 896.0                                       | 526.0                                    |                                       |
| 2        | Depreciation                                      | 179.2                                       | 105.2                                    | 284.4                                 |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                          | 179.2                                       | 105.2                                    |                                       |
| 4        | Net Book Value                                    | 716.8                                       | 420.8                                    |                                       |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                                 | 806.4                                       | 473.4                                    |                                       |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                               | 55.0  | 32.3                                     | 87.3                                  |
|          | Operating   |   |  |                                       |
| 7        | Operating Expenses -<br>Extraordinary Maintenance | -   | -  | -                                     |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance            | 234.2                                       | 137.5                                    | 371.7                                 |

# Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing January 2014 Outages - Professional Services

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.6 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... certain expenses related to professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers, and overtime associated with imprudence and the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages."

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)   | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br>Disallowed<br>Expenses | <b>2015 Test Year</b> <i>Disallowed Expenses</i> |
|----------|---|---|--|
|          | <u>Operating</u>  |   |  |
| 1        | Salary Transfers  | 386.0   | -  |
| 2        | Incremental Overtime  | 510.1   | -  |
| 3        | Professional Services/Consultant Fees - Legal                           | 623.0   | 290.6  |
| 4        | Professional Services/Consultant Fees - Board Outage Inquiry Costs      | 958.0   | 446.8  |
| 5        | Professional Services/Consultant Fees - Intervenor Outage Inquiry Costs | 250.0   | 116.6  |
| 6        | Professional Services/Consultant Fees - Event Engineering               | 74.0  |  |
| 7        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance                                  | 2,801.1   | 854.0  |

## Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Phase Two Investigation - Professional Services

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 3 states:

Hydro will create a separate account into which will be transferred professional services-consulting fees, salary transfers and overtime costs for 2014, 2015 and subsequent years relating to Phase Two of the Board's investigation into the January 2014 outages, with the recovery of the costs to be addressed in a subsequent order of the Board following a further application by Hydro.

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)                      | <b>2014 Test Year</b><br><i>Phase II Deferral</i> | <b>2015 Test Year</b><br><i>Phase II Deferral</i> |
|----------|--|---|---|
|          | Capital / Deferred Asset                   |   |   |
| 1        | Original Cost                              | (126.0)   | (272.0)   |
| 2        | Depreciation                               | -   | -   |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization                   | -   | -   |
| 4        | Net Book Value                             | (126.0)   | (272.0)   |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                          | (63.0)  | (199.0)   |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                        | (4.5)   | (13.6)  |
|          | Operating                                  |   |   |
| 7        | Operating Expenses -<br>Phase Two Deferral | 126.0   | 146.0   |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance     | 121.5   | 132.4   |

## Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Unit 1 Turbine Failure

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 1.7 states:

"It is therefore ordered that Hydro will not recover capital or operating expenses in the 2014 revenue requirement and/or the 2015 test year costs associated with... Holyrood Unit 1 turbine failure in 2013."

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)                  | <b>2014 Test Year</b> <i>Unit 1</i> | <b>2015 Test Year</b> <i>Unit 1</i> |
|----------|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|          | Capital / Deferred Asset               |                                     |                                     |
| 1        | Original Cost                          | 5,601.2                             | 5,601.2                             |
| 2        | Depreciation                           | 781.6                               | 781.6                               |
| 3        | Accumulated Amortization               | 977.0                               | 1,758.5                             |
| 4        | Net Book Value                         | 4,624.2                             | 3,842.7                             |
| 5        | Average Rate Base                      | 5,015.1                             | 4,233.5                             |
| 6        | Return on Rate Base                    | 357.1                               | 288.7                               |
|          | Operating                              |                                     |                                     |
| 7        | Operating Expenses                     | -                                   | -                                   |
| 8        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance | 1,138.6                             | 1,070.3                             |

## Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Prudence Compliance Filing Holyrood Black Start

Order No. P.U. 13(2016), item 2 states:

"Hydro will not recover in the 2014 revenue requirement \$500,000 associated with its imprudence in managing black start capability at Holyrood."

| Line No. | Particulars (\$000's)                  | <b>2014 Test Year</b> <i>Disallowance</i> | <b>2015 Test Year</b> <i>Disallowance</i> |
|----------|--|---|---|
|          | Operating                              |   |   |
| 1        | Holyrood Black Start                   | 500.0                                     |   |
| 2        | Total Revenue Requirement Disallowance | 500.0                                     | -   |