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Dear Ms. Pennell:

Re: Request to Hydro to file Winter Readiness Planning 2016-2017

The Board believes that Hydro's winter readiness planning and scheduling for 2016-2017 should be monitored as it was in advance of last winter. The Board requires confirmation that generation capacity on the Island Interconnected system is ready to reliably operate prior to the start of the 2016-2017 winter period and that Hydro has taken the necessary steps to ensure that generation and transmission equipment are available when needed.

Hydro should provide a report no later than September 30, 2016 setting out the following:

- The status of annual work plans items, in the format previously reported to the Board, for Hydro's generating plant and transmission and terminal stations, including the completion to date, outstanding items to complete and any risks to completion or as a result of failure to complete.
- A description and schedule for all outstanding 2016 capital projects for Hydro's generating plant and transmission and terminal stations, including progress on completion status to date and expected completion date.
- Identification of all equipment and plant testing to be carried out in advance of the winter period (generation plant, emergency diesels, black start generators, fire systems, transmission system equipment), including progress on completion status to date.
- The planned generation outage schedule for the period September 1 to December 31, 2016, including an explanation for any planned outages extending beyond December 1, 2016.
- An update of critical spares assessment and procurement.
- The forecast loads and expected generation capacity and reserves (setting out the basis for calculation) for the upcoming winter, as of December 1, 2016, and including capacity assistance agreements in place or planned.
- Identification of any risks that could impact the winter readiness of assets as of December 1, 2015 and associated contingency plans.

Following review of this report the Board will set out further requirements for ongoing monitoring of Hydro's winter readiness for the 2016-2017 winter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Board's Legal Counsel, Ms. Jacqui Glynn, by email, jglynn@pub.nl.ca or telephone (709) 726-6781.

Yours truly,



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