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Attention: Jo-Anne Galarneau  
Executive Director and Board Secretary

**Re: Application for Exemption to Regulation 17 – Temporary Restriction for Load Additions in Labrador East and West – Abbass & McLean Holdings**

Please find attached Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's ("Hydro") application for approval of an exemption to Regulation 17, which temporarily limits load additions in Labrador East and West pursuant to Section 71 of the *Public Utilities Act*.

Hydro has received a request for service from Abbass & McLean Holdings in Happy-Valley Goose Bay. The present application is for a total estimated peak load of 50 kW; however, in 2024 and earlier in 2025 Hydro approved two additional applications for service by this customer at the same location that totaled 192 kW. The temporary restriction contemplates not only single service connections, but also the total of multiple service requests made by a customer that could be made at different times during the time frame of the restriction that exceed 200 kW. The cumulative estimated peak load requested by this customer for this location since 2024 totals 242 kW; this is 42 kW in excess of the restriction.

Further detail regarding the application for service is provided in the enclosed application and the application for service attached to the application as Schedule 1. Hydro believes that when considering the balance between the importance of ensuring the system is not overwhelmed to the point that delivery of reliable service is impacted, with the necessity for reasonable community infrastructure and business growth in Labrador, it is reasonable to approve the customer's request for connection. Therefore, Hydro is requesting that an exemption be made to allow approval of the most recent application for service from Abbass & McLean Holdings.

As with any application for service for the Labrador Interconnected System, a customer's application is reviewed to determine if a customer contribution is required, as determined through the Network Additions Policy. As per Section 5.1 of the Network Additions Policy, when a customer makes an application for a demand request of less than 1,500 kW, they are responsible for paying an Upstream Capacity Charge. This is calculated as the Upstream Capacity Cost less the Basic Capacity Investment Credit. Hydro is required to apply to the Board for approval where Upstream Capacity Charge exceeds \$200,000. The calculation for the Abbass & McLean Holdings indicates an Upstream Capacity Charge of less than the \$200,000 threshold; as such, Hydro has not applied for approval for the Abbass & McLean Holdings contribution.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO**



Shirley A. Walsh  
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# Exemption to Regulation 17

Abbass & McLean Holdings

June 9, 2025

An application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities



**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (“EPCA”) and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47 (“Act”), and regulations thereunder; and

**IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) for an exemption, pursuant to Section 71 of the *Act*, to Regulation 17 which limits new load additions in Labrador East and West.

**To:     The Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (“Board”)**

**THE APPLICATION OF HYDRO STATES THAT:**

**A.     Background**

1.     Hydro, a corporation continued and existing under the *Hydro Corporation Act, 2024*, is a public utility within the meaning of the *Act*, and is subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*.
2.     On May 31, 2018, Hydro filed an application for approval of a proposed new regulation permitting a restriction for load additions in Labrador East pursuant to Section 71 of the *Act*. This was intended to address the forecast capacity shortfalls and reliability issues for the Labrador East System pending completion of the Muskrat Falls to Happy Valley Interconnection Project (“Project”).
3.     In Board Order No. P.U. 32(2018), the Board accepted that a moratorium should be implemented for the 2018–2019 winter season and ordered Hydro to file for approval a revised regulation, effective until May 30, 2019, reflecting the findings of the Board. Hydro filed a revised regulation on September 21, 2018, which was approved in Board Order No. P.U. 36(2018) (“Regulation 17”).
4.     On April 23, 2019, Hydro filed an application for an extension of the effective date of Regulation 17 pending further Order from the Board. That application was approved in Board Order No. P.U. 18(2019).

5. Board Order No. P.U. 34(2019), issued on October 29, 2019, approved Hydro's request to increase the load restriction threshold from 100 kW to 200 kW and to extend the application of Regulation 17 to Labrador West.
6. On March 17, 2021, in Board Order No. P.U. 7(2021), the Board approved the *Network Additions Policy – Labrador Interconnected System* ("*Network Additions Policy*") effective April 1, 2021. The *Network Additions Policy* is intended to limit rate increases that can result from investment in new transmission assets to serve new load requests and to achieve a reasonable balance in the sharing of the benefits and the costs of new transmission investments between new and existing customers.
7. In response to the Board's query on March 23, 2021, regarding the status of Regulation 17 post approval of the *Network Additions Policy*, Hydro recommended that the existing restrictions remain in place while the system expansion needs for reliable service to customers in Labrador West and Labrador East were determined. This was due to the continued system capacity restrictions that exist in the region.<sup>1</sup>
8. On April 19, 2024, Hydro applied to the Board for approval of an exemption to Regulation 17 for a number of customers in Labrador East. While the Board's initial approval of Regulation 17 allowed for Hydro to apply for an exemption to the regulation where there were special circumstances where it may be appropriate to approve service connections and upgrades, Hydro's April 2024 application noted that with the increased transmission capacity in Labrador East, it would be reasonable to allow some additional growth to serve the customers. Hydro did not request that Regulation 17 be lifted entirely as it is important for Hydro to monitor and manage the load growth in the region and to continue to ensure the system is not overwhelmed to the point that delivery of reliable service is impacted. The Board approved Hydro's request for exemption, while maintaining Regulation 17, in Board Order No. P.U. 14(2024).

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<sup>1</sup> "Restriction on Load Additions on the Labrador Interconnected System – Update," Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, April 7, 2021.

**B. Current Customer Request**

9. Hydro has received a request for service from Abbass & McLean Holdings for additional service to its Recreational Vehicle (“RV”) Park in Happy Valley–Goose Bay. The request, noting an estimated peak load of 50 kW, is attached as Schedule 1 to this application.
10. This customer has previously applied to Hydro in 2024 for service with an estimated peak of 180 kW, and earlier this year for an additional connection for the same location with an estimated peak load 12 kW. Those applications attached to this application as Schedule 2, cumulatively were within the 200 kW limit of Regulation 17 and did not require Board approval to be connected.
11. Regulation 17 notes that *“The load addition limit applies to Applicants for single service connection requests for load additions in excess of 200 kW and to Applicants requesting multiple service connections for which the total load addition of the multiple service requests exceeds 200 kW. The load addition limit to Applicants for multiple services will apply to both service requests made concurrently and service requests made at different times for the period while this regulation is in effect.”*
12. The total requests made by Abbass & McLean Holdings for the RV Park through 2024 and 2025 equal 242 kW, 42 kW in excess of the load restriction. As such, Hydro must request an exemption from Regulation 17 to approve the most recent application.
13. Abbass & McLean Holdings has created a new RV Park and campground in Happy Valley–Goose Bay to enhance tourism in the area. The original service provided by Hydro in 2024 allowed power to be delivered to 127 camping lots; the customer wishes to expand the number of powered lots and facilities and has applied for the additional service.
14. The Project and subsequent commissioning of Transformer 5 in the Happy Valley Terminal Station was completed in November 2022. As a result, the transmission capacity of Labrador East increased from 76 MW to 104 MW. While new customer additions have been made to the system, both under the Regulation 17 threshold and through approval of Regulation 17

exemptions,<sup>2</sup> Hydro continues to monitor the system capacity and does not have concerns regarding the request from this customer.

15. Hydro must balance system constraints with the necessity for reasonable community infrastructure and business growth in Labrador. Therefore, while Hydro is requesting that an exemption be made to serve the customers detailed in this application, Hydro is not requesting that the load restriction be lifted entirely. With the regulation in place, Hydro can better monitor and manage the load growth in the region and ensure continued reliable service to customers.

**C. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's Request**

16. This application requests approval of an exemption to Regulation 17, allowing Hydro to provide the additional service to the above noted customer.

**D. Communications**

17. Communications with respect to this application should be forwarded to Shirley A. Walsh, Senior Legal Counsel, Regulatory for Hydro.

**DATED** at St. John's in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador on this 9th day of June, 2025.

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO**



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<sup>2</sup> Board Order P.U. 14(2024).

# Schedule 1

## Request for Service

Abbass & McLean Holdings







## REQUEST FOR SERVICE GENERAL INFORMATION

### CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name	Abbass & McLean Holding
Current Address	68 Churchill Street
Service Address	Route 520 Goshing Park
Phone Number	709-899-2371

### GENERAL SERVICE ONLY

1.	Nature of business: <b>RV Camper Park</b>		
2.	Location of Premises:	Yes	No
	Public Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Within Community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Municipal or Other Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Permanent Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Single Phase Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Three Phase Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Service Voltage: <b>120/240</b>		
5.	Service Size in Amps: <b>200</b> Service Conductor Size (mcm): <b>3/0</b> Conductor Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cu, <input type="checkbox"/> Al. Lugs Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Single, <input type="checkbox"/> Double		
6.	Please provide breakdown of connected load (attach separate sheet if more room required).		
		1 Phase	3 Phase
	Lighting (kW)	<b>15 kW</b>	_____
	Heating (kW)	<b>10 kW</b>	_____
	Miscellaneous (kW)	<b>45 kW</b>	_____
	Motors (kW)	<b>5 kW</b>	_____
	Total (kW)	<b>75 kW</b>	_____
7.	Estimated Peak Demand: (Total kW of load expected to be on at the same time) <b>60 kW</b>		
8.	Estimated annual load factor: Or estimated annual consumption (kWh)		
9.	If applicable, the expected service life:		
10.	A copy of the customer's electrical drawings.		
11.	A copy of the customer's site plan.		
12.	Date service required (ready for connection).		
13.	Primary metering requested (extra charges may apply). (subject to the customer supplying and maintaining all distribution facilities beyond the point of supply)		
14.	Temporary / Construction power requested (extra charges may apply).		

Customer/Electrician signature verifies that his information is accurate and understands information is subject to a 2 year review:

Prepared by:

*Tod Dunn*

Date:

*May 27/2025*

# Schedule 2

## Request for Service

Abbass & McLean Holdings





## REQUEST FOR SERVICE GENERAL INFORMATION

### CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name	Abbass & McLean Holding
Current Address	68 Churchill street
Service Address	Route 520 Gosling Park
Phone Number	789-899-2371

### GENERAL SERVICE ONLY

1.	Nature of business: <u>RV Camper Park</u>	
2.	Location of Premises:	Yes No
	Public Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Within Community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Municipal or Other Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Permanent Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Single Phase Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	Three Phase Service	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.	Service Voltage: <u>120/240</u>	
5.	Service Size in Amps: <u>200</u> Service Conductor Size (mcm): <u>3/0</u> Conductor Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cu, <input type="checkbox"/> Al.	
	Lugs Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Single, <input type="checkbox"/> Double <u>none</u>	
6.	Please provide breakdown of connected load (attach separate sheet if more room required).	
		1 Phase 3 Phase
	Lighting (kW)	<u>20</u> <u>      </u>
	Heating (kW)	<u>140</u> <u>      </u>
	Miscellaneous (kW)	<u>30</u> <u>      </u>
	Motors (kW)	<u>10</u> <u>      </u>
	Total (kW)	<u>200</u> <u>      </u>
7.	Estimated Peak Demand: (Total kW of load expected to be on at the same time) <u>180</u>	
8.	Estimated annual load factor: Or estimated annual consumption (kWh)	
9.	If applicable, the expected service life:	
10.	A copy of the customer's electrical drawings.	
11.	A copy of the customer's site plan.	
12.	Date service required (ready for connection).	
13.	Primary metering requested (extra charges may apply). (subject to the customer supplying and maintaining all distribution facilities beyond the point of supply)	
14.	Temporary / Construction power requested (extra charges may apply).	

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Prepared by: Ed Dan

Date: June 26/2024

## REQUEST FOR SERVICE GENERAL INFORMATION

### CUSTOMER INFORMATION

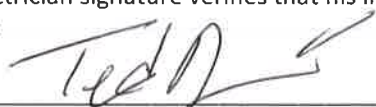
Name	Abbass & McLean Holdings
Current Address	68 Churchill Street
Service Address	Route 520 Gosling Park
Phone Number	709-899-2371

### GENERAL SERVICE ONLY

1.	Nature of business:	RV Camper Park	
2.	Location of Premises:	Yes	No
	Public Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Within Community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Municipal or Other Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Permanent Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Single Phase Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Three Phase Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Service Voltage:	120/240	
5.	Service Size in Amps: 200	Service Conductor Size (mcm): 30	Conductor Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cu, <input type="checkbox"/> Al.
	Lugs Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Single, <input type="checkbox"/> Double	None	
6.	Please provide breakdown of connected load (attach separate sheet if more room required).		
		1 Phase	3 Phase
	Lighting (kW)	1.4	
	Heating (kW)	9.3	
	Miscellaneous (kW)	2	
	Motors (kW)	0.7	
	Total (kW)	13.4	
7.	Estimated Peak Demand: (Total kW of load <i>expected</i> to be on at the same time)	12	
8.	Estimated annual load factor: Or estimated annual consumption (kWh)		
9.	If applicable, the expected service life:		
10.	A copy of the customer's electrical drawings.		
11.	A copy of the customer's site plan.		
12.	Date service required (ready for connection).		
13.	Primary metering requested (extra charges may apply). (subject to the customer supplying and maintaining all distribution facilities beyond the point of supply)		
14.	Temporary / Construction power requested (extra charges may apply).		

Customer/Electrician signature verifies that his information is accurate and understands information is subject to a 2 year review:

Prepared by:



Date:

May 13 / 2025

# Affidavit



**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 ("*EPCA*") and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990, Chapter P-47 ("*Act*"), and regulations thereunder; and

**IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for an exemption, pursuant to Section 71 of the *Act*, to Regulation 17 which limits new load additions in Labrador East and West.

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, Dana Pope, of St. John's in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador, make oath and say as follows:

- 1) I am Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Stakeholder Relations for Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, the applicant named in the attached application.
- 2) I have read and understand the foregoing application.
- 3) To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all of the matters, facts, and things set out in this application are true.

**SWORN** at St. John's in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador this 9th day of June, 2025 before me:



\_\_\_\_\_  
Barrister, Newfoundland and Labrador



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Dana Pope, CPA (CA), MBA