NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P. U. 12(2011)

1 IN THE MATTER OF the *Electrical Power*

2 *Control Act, 1994*, SNL 1994, Chapter E-5.1 (the

3 *"EPCA"*) and the *Public Utilities Act*, RSNL 1990,

4 Chapter P-47 (the "*Act*"), and regulations thereunder;

<u>AND</u>

- 8 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
- 9 Newfoundland Power Inc. pursuant to Section 70

10 of the Act for approval of rate stabilization and

11 municipal tax adjustments for the period

12 July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 and a

13 schedule of rates, tolls and charges

14 incorporating the rate stabilization and

15 municipal tax adjustments and a schedule of

- 16 rates for use in a time of day rate study.
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19 WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. ("Newfoundland Power") is a corporation duly organized 20 and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within 21 the meaning of the *Act*, and is also subject to the provisions of the *EPCA*; and

WHEREAS on May 31, 2011 Newfoundland Power filed an application (the "Application")
 requesting approval of:

25	i)	the Rate Stabilization Adjustment to be applied to customer rates for the period
26		July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012; and
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- 27ii)the Municipal Tax Adjustment Factor to be applied to customer rates for the28period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012; and
 - iii) revised customer rates to be effective on all electrical consumption on and after July 1, 2011; and
 - iv) a schedule of rates for use in a time of day rate study.

WHEREAS the Rate Stabilization Adjustment is applied to customer rates and is recalculated on July 1st of each year to reflect: i) the accumulated balance in Newfoundland Power's Rate Stabilization Account as of March 31st of the current year; and, ii) any change in the rates to be charged to Newfoundland Power by Hydro for the coming year as a result of the operation of
 Hydro's Rate Stabilization Plan; and

WHEREAS the accumulated balance in Newfoundland Power's Rate Stabilization Account as of
 March 31, 2011 was subjected to an annual adjustment to reflect the operation of:

- i. the Energy Supply Cost Variance Account, as approved in Order No. P.U. 32(2007)
 and Order No. P.U. 43(2009); and
 ii. the Pension Expense Variance Deferral Account, as approved in Order No. P. U.
 - ii. the Pension Expense Variance Deferral Account, as approved in Order No. P. U. 43(2009); and
 - iii. the Other Post Employment Benefits Cost Variance Deferral Account as approved in Order No. P.U. 31(2010); and
 - iv. the Demand Management Incentive Account, as approved in Order No. P.U. 7(2011); and
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WHEREAS in Order No. P.U. 10(2011) the Board approved changes to the rates charged to
 Newfoundland Power by Hydro as of July 1, 2011 as a result of the operation of Hydro's Rate
 Stabilization Plan; and

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WHEREAS the Rate Stabilization Adjustment proposed in the Application to be included in
 Newfoundland Power's rates for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 is 1.010 cents/kWh
 replacing the Rate Stabilization Adjustment of 0.230 cents/kWh approved in Order No. P. U.
 19(2010); and

WHEREAS the Municipal Tax Adjustment Factor, which is adjusted each year on July 1st to reflect
Newfoundland Power's municipal tax costs for the year, is proposed to increase to 1.02586 for the
period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 from the current factor of 1.02474 which was approved in
Order No. P. U. 19(2010); and

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WHEREAS the time of day rates proposed in the Application will be available to participants in the
time of day rate study which the Board found to be reasonable and appropriate in Order No. P.U.
8(2011) following Newfoundland Power's Retail Rate Review; and

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WHEREAS the Board has considered the Application and is satisfied that the proposed Rate Stabilization Adjustment, the Municipal Tax Adjustment Factor, the revised schedule of rates, tolls and charges, and the rates for the time of day study should be approved as filed.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

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- 391.The Rate Stabilization Adjustment of 1.010 cents/kWh is approved for the period of July 1,402011 to June 30, 2012.
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 42 2. The Municipal Tax Adjustment Factor of 1.02586 is approved for the period of July 1, 2011
 43 to June 30, 2012.
- 45 3. Newfoundland Power's Schedule of Rates, Tolls and Charges, as set out in Schedule A to

this Order, to be effective on all electrical consumption on and after July 1, 2011, is approved.

- 3. Newfoundland Power's Schedule of Rates, Tolls and Charges, for customers participating in
 the time of day rate study, as set out in Schedule B to this Order to be effective on all
 electrical consumption on and after December 1, 2011, is approved.
- 8 4. Newfoundland Power shall pay the expenses of the Board in connection with this9 Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 22nd day of June, 2011.

Andy Wells

Chair & Chief Executive-Officer

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng. Vice-Chair

Dwanda Newman, LL.B. Commissioner

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Commissioner

Cheryl Blundon

Board Secretary

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #1.1 DOMESTIC SERVICE

Availability:

For Service to a Domestic Unit or to buildings or facilities which are on the same Serviced Premises as a Domestic Unit and used by the same Customer exclusively for domestic or household purposes, whether such buildings or facilities are included on the same meter as the Domestic Unit or metered separately.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge:	\$15.71 per month
Energy Charge: All kilowatt-hours	@ 10.407¢ per kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge	. \$15.71 per month

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #1.1S DOMESTIC SEASONAL - OPTIONAL

Availability:

Available upon request for Service to Customers served under Rate #1.1 Domestic Service who have a minimum of 12 months of uninterrupted billing history at their current Serviced Premises.

Rate:

The Energy Charges provided for in Rate #1.1 Domestic Service Rate shall apply, subject to the following adjustments:

Winter Season Premium Adjustment (Billing months of December through April):				
All kilowatt-hours	@ 0.953¢ per kWh			

Special Conditions:

- 1. An application for Service under this rate option shall constitute a binding contract between the Customer and the Company with an initial term of 12 months commencing the day after the first meter reading date following the request by the Customer, and renewing automatically on the anniversary date thereof for successive 12-month terms.
- 2. To terminate participation on this rate option on the renewal date, the Customer must notify the Company either in advance of the renewal date or no later than 60 days after the anniversary/renewal date. When acceptable notice of termination is provided to the Company, the Customer's billing may require adjustment to reverse any seasonal adjustments applied to charges for consumption after the automatic renewal date.

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #2.1 GENERAL SERVICE 0-10 kW

Availability:

For Service (excluding Domestic Service) where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is less than 10 kilowatts.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge:	\$18.03 per month
Energy Charge: All kilowatt-hours	@ 12.182 ¢ per kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge, Single Phase Three Phase	

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #2.2 GENERAL SERVICE 10-100 kW (110 kVA)

Availability:

For Service (excluding Domestic Service) where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 10 kilowatts or greater but less than 100 kilowatts (110 kilovolt-amperes).

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$20.76 per month

Demand Charge:

\$8.70 per kW of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$7.20 per kW in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charge:

First 150 kilowatt-hours per kW of billing demand	@`	9.672 ¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours	@`	7.303 ¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.96 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge, but not less than the Minimum Monthly Charge.

Minimum Monthly Charge:

Single Phase	\$20.76 per month
Three Phase	\$36.06 per month

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, but not less than \$1.00, will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding metering [in particular Regulation 7 (n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #2.3 GENERAL SERVICE 110 kVA (100 kW) - 1000 kVA

Availability:

For Service where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 110 kilovolt-amperes (100 kilowatts) or greater but less than 1000 kilovolt-amperes.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge: \$93.47 per month

Demand Charge:

\$7.51 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$6.01 per kVA in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charge:

First 150 kilowatt-hours per kVA of billing d	emand,
up to a maximum of 30,000 kilowatt-hours	@ 9.642 ¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours ,	@ 7.227 ¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.96 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge.

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, up to a maximum of \$500.00 will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding metering [in particular, Regulation 7(n)], transformation [in particular Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #2.4 GENERAL SERVICE 1000 kVA AND OVER

Availability:

For Service where the maximum demand occurring in the 12 months ending with the current month is 1000 kilovolt-amperes or greater.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge:\$186.93 per month

Demand Charge:

\$7.09 per kVA of billing demand in the months of December, January, February and March and \$5.59 per kVA in all other months. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charge:

First 100,000 kilowatt-hours	@ 8.278 ¢ per kWh
All excess kilowatt-hours	@ 7.162 ¢ per kWh

Maximum Monthly Charge:

The Maximum Monthly Charge shall be 16.96 cents per kWh plus the Basic Customer Charge.

Discount:

A discount of 1.5% of the amount of the current month's bill, up to a maximum of \$500.00 will be allowed if the bill is paid within 10 days after it is issued.

General:

Details regarding metering [in particular, Regulation 7(n)], transformation [in particular, Regulation 9(k)], and other conditions of service are provided in the Rules and Regulations. **This rate does not include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) which applies to electricity bills.**

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. RATE #4.1 STREET AND AREA LIGHTING SERVICE

Availability:

For Street and Area Lighting Service where the electricity is supplied by the Company and all fixtures, wiring and controls are provided, owned and maintained by the Company.

Monthly Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

	Sentinel/Standard	Post Top
High Pressure Sodium*		
100W (8,600 lumens)	\$16.14	\$17.30
150W (14,400 lumens)	20.77	-
250W (23,200 lumens)	28.17	_
400W (45,000 lumens)	39.22	-
* For all new installations and replacemer	nts.	
Mercury Vapour		
175W (7,000 lumens)	\$16.14	\$17.30
250W (9,400 lumens)	20.77	-
400W (17,200 lumens)	28.17	-
Special poles used exclusively for lighti	ng service**	
Wood	\$ 6.82	
30' Concrete or Metal, direct buried	9.90	
45' Concrete or Metal, direct buried	15.08	
25' Concrete or Metal, Post Top, direct bur	ied 7.63	
Underground Wiring (per run)**		
All sizes and types of fixtures	\$12.06	

** Where a pole or underground wiring run serves two fixtures paid for by different parties, the above rates for such poles and underground wiring may be shared equally between the two parties.

General:

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. CURTAILABLE SERVICE OPTION (for Rates #2.3 and #2.4 only)

Availability:

For Customers billed on Rate #2.3 or #2.4 that can reduce their demand ("Curtail") by between 300 kW (330 kVA) and 5000 kW (5500 kVA) upon request by the Company during the Winter Peak Period. The Winter Peak Period is between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. daily during the calendar months of December, January, February and March. The ability of a Customer to Curtail must be demonstrated to the Company's satisfaction prior to the Customer's availing of this rate option.

Credit for Curtailing:

If the Customer Curtails as requested for the duration of a Winter, the Company shall credit to the Customer's account the Curtailment Credit during May billing immediately following that Winter. The Curtailment Credit shall be determined by one of the following options:

Option 1:

The Customer will contract to reduce demand by a specific amount during Curtailment periods (the "Contracted Demand Reduction"). The Curtailment Credit for Option 1 is determined as follows:

Curtailment Credit = Contracted Demand Reduction x \$29 per kVA

Option 2:

The Customer will contract to reduce demand to a Firm Demand level which the Customer's maximum demand must not exceed during a Curtailment period. The Curtailment Credit for Option 2 is determined as follows:

Maximum Demand Curtailed = (Maximum Winter Demand - Firm Demand)

<u>kWh usage during Peak Period</u> (Maximum Demand during Peak Period x 1573 hours)

Curtailment Credit = ((Maximum Demand Curtailed x 50%) + (Maximum Demand Curtailed x 50% x Peak Period Load Factor)) x \$29 per kVA

Limitations on Requests to Curtail:

Curtailment periods will:

- 1. Not exceed 6 hours duration for any one occurrence.
- 2. Not be requested to start within 2 hours of the expiration of a prior Curtailment period.
- 3. Not exceed 100 hours duration in total during a winter period.

The Company shall request the Customer to Curtail at least 1 hour prior to the commencement of the Curtailment period.

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. CURTAILABLE SERVICE OPTION (for Rates #2.3 and #2.4 only)

Failure to Curtail:

Failure to Curtail under Option 1 occurs when a Customer does not reduce its demand by the Contracted Demand Reduction for the duration of a Curtailment period. Failure to Curtail under Option 2 occurs when a Customer does not reduce its demand to the Firm Demand level or below for the duration of a Curtailment period.

The Curtailment Credit will be reduced by 50% as a result of the first failure to Curtail during a Winter. For each additional failure to Curtail, the Curtailment Credit will be reduced by a further 25% of the Curtailment Credit. If the Customer fails to Curtail three times during a Winter, the Customer forfeits 100% of the Curtailment Credit and the Customer will no longer be entitled to service under the Curtailable Service Option.

Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, no Curtailment Credit will be provided if the number of failures to Curtail equals the number of Curtailment requests.

Termination/Modification:

The Company requires six months written notice of the Customer's intention to either discontinue Curtailable Service Option or to modify the Contracted Demand Reduction or Firm Demand level.

General:

Services billed on this Service Option will have approved load monitoring equipment installed. For a customer that Curtails by using its own generation in parallel with the Company's electrical system, all Company interconnection guidelines will apply, and the Company has the option of monitoring the output of the Customer's generation. All costs associated with equipment required to monitor the Customer's generation will be charged to the Customer's account.

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. TIME OF DAY RATE STUDY DOMESTIC SERVICE

Availability:

Available to Customers served under Rate #1.1 Domestic Service who participate in the Time of Day Rate Study.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Cl	narge	\$15.7	1 per month
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Energy Charges:

Winter On-Peak kWh Winter Off-Peak kWh Non-Winter kWh	10.266¢ per kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge	\$15.71 per month

Winter On-Peak:

The Winter On-Peak period is defined as the hours starting at 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for the billing months of December through March (Winter Months).

Winter Off-Peak:

The Winter Off-Peak period is defined as all hours not included above in the On-Peak period including all weekends for the Winter Months.

Non-Winter:

The Non-Winter period is defined as the billing months of April through November.

General:

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NEWFOUNDLAND POWER INC. TIME OF DAY RATE STUDY GENERAL SERVICE 1000 kVA AND OVER

Availability:

Available to Customers served under Rate #2.4 General Service 1000 kVA and Over who participate in the Time of Day Rate Study.

Rate: (Includes Municipal Tax and Rate Stabilization Adjustments)

Basic Customer Charge......\$186.93 per month

Demand Charge:

\$1.84 per kVA of billing demand. The billing demand shall be the maximum demand registered on the meter in the current month.

Energy Charges:

Winter On-Peak kWh Winter Off-Peak kWh Non-Winter kWh	8.538¢ per kWh
Minimum Monthly Charge	\$186.93 per month

Winter On-Peak:

The Winter On-Peak period is defined as the hours starting at 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for the billing months of December through March (Winter Months).

Winter Off-Peak:

The Winter Off-Peak period is defined as all hours not included above in the On-Peak period including all weekends for the Winter Months.

Non-Winter:

The Non-Winter period is defined as the billing months of April through November.

General: