NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. P.U. 42(2014)

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

IN THE MATTER OF an application by Newfoundland Power Inc. for approval of a contribution in aid of construction for single phase service for Bell Mobility Inc. pursuant to Section 41 of the Act.

WHEREAS Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”) is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, is a public utility within the meaning of the Act, and is also subject to the provisions of the EPCA; and

WHEREAS Bell Mobility Inc. (the “Customer”) has requested that Newfoundland Power provide electrical service to a cell phone tower located off the Trans-Canada Highway near Thorburn Lake; and

WHEREAS on October 8, 2014 Newfoundland Power filed an application for approval of a Contribution in Aid of Construction (“CIAC”) for a single-phase line extension of approximately 1,883 metres (the “Extension”) to supply service to the cell phone tower owned by the Customer; and

WHEREAS the CIAC, calculated in accordance with Clause 5(a) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions and Upgrades to General Service Customers approved by Order No. P.U. 27 (2005), dated November 2, 2005, (the “Policy”), is sixty-seven thousand two hundred seven dollars ($67,207.00), excluding HST; and

WHEREAS the estimated construction cost of the extension exceeds $50,000 and therefore, in accordance with Clause 10(i) of the Policy, Board approval is required; and

WHEREAS the proposed CIAC is necessary to ensure that Newfoundland Power’s investment is compensatory over the useful life of the Extension and will not be to the detriment of Newfoundland Power’s other customers.
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Contribution in Aid of Construction of sixty-seven thousand two hundred seven dollars ($67,207.00), excluding HST, to provide single-phase service to a cell phone tower for Bell Mobility Inc. is approved.

2. Newfoundland Power shall pay all expenses of the Board arising from this Application.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 20th day of October, 2014.

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng.
Vice-Chair

James Oxford
Commissioner

Cheryl Bundon
Board Secretary