P.U. 18 (2002-2003)

IN THE MATTER OF the PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT,

R.S.N. 1990, c. P-47, as amended ("the Act")

AND

IN THE MATTER OF the application by Newfoundland Power Inc. ("the Applicant") for approval of a contribution in aid of construction (the "Application") for a line extension to serve residential and seasonal customers ("the Customers") pursuant to section 41(5) of the Act.

WHEREAS the Applicant 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 *Electrical Power Control Act*, 1994; and

WHEREAS the Customers are located near the community of Port Blandford and consist of fourteen (14)
Residential and Seasonal Customers; and

WHEREAS the Customers have requested that the Applicant provide their residences at Port Blandford with single phase electrical service which, in order to so provide, requires the construction of a single-phase extension of 1,459 metres (the "Extension"); and

WHEREAS the Extension will not be jointly used by the Applicant and Aliant Telecom Inc.; and

WHEREAS a Contribution in Aid of Construction ("CIAC") of the New Extension has been calculated in accordance with Clauses 5(a), 5(b) and 5(c) of the CIAC Policy: Distribution Line Extensions To Residential and Seasonal Residential Customers approved by Order No. P.U. 7 (1997-98) dated September 30, 1997 (the "Policy") and the CIAC thus calculated is Eight hundred twenty dollars and ninety-four cents (\$820.94), including HST, for each Residential Customer and Three Thousand three hundred four dollars and ninety-four cents (\$3,304.94), including HST, for each Seasonal Customer; and

WHEREAS the estimated construction cost of the Extension is \$40,934.00 and Clause 12(a) of the Policy states that all line extensions involving CIACs where the construction costs are estimated to be greater than \$25,000 must be submitted to the Board for approval; and

WHEREAS Clause 12(c) of the Policy states that all CIACs for Main Line extensions for primarily seasonal residential customers be submitted to the Board for approval; and

WHEREAS the proposed CIAC is necessary to ensure that the Applicant's investment in the Extension is compensatory over the useful life of the Extension and will not be to the detriment of the Applicant's other customers; and

WHEREAS the proposed expenditures on the Extension are necessary for the Applicant to provide service and facilities to the Customers which are reasonably safe and adequate and just and reasonable as required pursuant to s. 37 of the Act.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Pursuant to Section 41(5) of the Act, the Board approves the contribution in aid of construction in the amount of Eight hundred twenty dollars and ninety-four cents (\$820.94), including HST, for Residential Customers and a CIAC of Three thousand three hundred four dollars and ninety-four cents (\$3,304.94), including HST, for Seasonal Customers, located at Port Blandford, as calculated under the Policy.

DATED	at St.	John's.	Newfour	ndland and	Labrador,	this 1	st dav	v of A	ugust 2002
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Robert Noseworthy,
Chair & Chief Executive Officer.

G. Fred Saunders,
Commissioner.

G. Cheryl Blundon, Board Secretary.