P.U. 32 (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 for a line extension to serve 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 consist of six (6) Seasonal Customers whose residences are located at Mint Brook near the community of Gambo; and

WHEREAS the Customers have requested that the Applicant provide their residences at Mint Brook with single-phase electrical service which, in order to so provide, requires the construction of a single-phase extension of 635 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 Extension has been calculated in accordance with Clauses 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 Three thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$3,873.58), including HST, for each Seasonal Customer; 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 Three thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$3,873.58), including HST, for each Seasonal Customer, as calculated under the Policy.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 4th day of December, 2002.

Robert Noseworthy, Chair & Chief Executive Officer.

Darlene Whalen, P.Eng., Vice-Chairperson.

G. Cheryl Blundon, Board Secretary.