**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Public Utilities Act* R.S.N.L. 1990, c. P-47 (the "Act") and

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application dated January 18, 2006 by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") for the approval pursuant to Sections 70, 71 and 75 of the Act, of certain rules, regulations and rates pertaining to the supply of electrical power and energy to one of its Industrial Customers, Aur Resources Inc.

## **INTERVENORS' SUBMISSION**

TAKE NOTICE that Aur Resources Inc., Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited, North Atlantic Refining Limited and Voisey's Bay Nickel Limited (the "Intervenors") through their solicitors, Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales and Poole Althouse, hereby intervene as certain actual or potential island Industrial Customers of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro who are affected by the rates charged by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

The Intervenors submit that:

- (a) Aur Resources should not be charged any rate which relates to the Historical Rate Stabilization Plan, given that the charges under that part of the plan are to pay Hydro for power and energy that have been used by other customers in past years when Aur was not a customer of Hydro;
- (b) The Billing Demand for Aur Resources should be calculated on highest firm demand in any month as opposed to highest annual demand for the startup period of their operations;

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- (c) A specifically assigned charge should be made against Aur Resources only on a basis consistent with the general practice for such charges as applied from time to time to other customers and only on the basis of established costs for the equipment and services covered by such charge;
- (d) That all other aspects of the Service Contract between Aur Resources and Hydro be consistent, so far as possible, with the Service Contracts already approved in respect of other Industrial Customers.

The Intervenor intends to participate by way of filing Information Requests, attendance at the hearing and cross-examination of witnesses, and reserves the right to call such expert or other evidence as may appear necessary upon receipt of responses to Information Requests.

Documents relating to this hearing can be served on the Intervenor in care of:

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**DATED** at St. John's, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2006.

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