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# **Muskrat Falls Project Oversight Committee**

## **MEETING NO. 75 – June 10, 2020**

Committee Members Present	Regrets
Ms. Elizabeth Day, Clerk of the Executive	
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Ms. Krista Quinlan, Deputy Clerk of the	
Executive Council	
Mr. John Cowan, Assistant Secretary to	
Cabinet for Economic Policy	II II
Mr. Craig Martin, Associate Deputy Minister,	
Natural Resources	
	Jennifer Mercer, DM (A), Justice and Public
	Safety
Ms. Denise Hanrahan, DM, Finance	11 H HIII HIII
Mr. Ted Lomond, DM, Natural Resources	
Mr. Corey Snook, Director, Natural Resources	
Mr. Cory Grandy, Associate Deputy Minister,	
Transportation and Works (Item 2 onwards)	
Mr. Randy Pelletier, Solicitor, Justice and	III
Public Safety	
Ms. Lynn Zurel, Independent	
	Ms. Judy Morrow, Independent
	Mr. Paul Snelgrove, Independent
Mr. Dave Billard, Independent (Item 2	
onwards)	

## **Committee Support:**

Mr. Paul Carter, Executive Director, (Chair)

Time:

1:30 p.m.

Place:

Meeting held via teleconference

#### 1. Progress Update

Paul Carter discussed the status of the Committee's Q1 draft report, Nalcor communications related to post COVID-19 impacts on cost and schedule, final high power testing of the LITL in fall of 2021, status of Nalcor's support package for LITL software completion, Nalcor's intent to adjust CH0030 (Turbines and Generators) contract to a reimbursable contract as a result of COVID-19 impacts, the need for Nalcor to update cost and schedule as early as possible in Q3, 2020, and documents made available to the Committee including Nalcor's May 2020 reporting to the Public Utilities Board (PUB) and the PUB Liberty report and FZA and OPG reports regarding Soldiers Pond synchronous condenser vibration and binding.

### 2. Nalcor Project Updates

Nalcor officials provided reporting period ending April 2020 Power Development and Power Supply project updates.

#### **Nalcor Officials Present:**

Mr. Jim Haynes, Executive Vice President, Power Supply

Ms. Rosanne Williams, Strategy and 3rd Party Coordination Manager

Mr. Gerard Dunphy, Vice President and Project Director - Transmission

Mr. Gilbert Bennett, Executive Vice President, Power Development

Mr. Stephen Pellerin, Special Projects & 3rd Party Coordination Manager

Ms. Tanya Power, Project Controls Manager

Mr. James Meaney, Vice-President, Finance, Power Supply

#### 2.1 Power Supply (Transmission)

Project update including discussion on safety performance, assessing COVID-19 to understand project impacts, declaration of Force Majeure on project contracts and lifting of Force Majeure, care and maintenance mode and workforce numbers, contractor guideline development for restart of work, contractor development of work restart plans and implementation to ensure hazard controls in restart and recovery plans, resumption of work timing and ramp up, challenges with updating the Integrated Project Schedule (IPS) at this time, LITL HVDC protection and controls (P&C) software development testing phases and current stage, bipole software development during COVID-19, bipole development status and alignment with Independent Third Party reviewers, Factory Acceptance test status, bug identification and resolution, regression testing status, ownership of software, GE's revised interim bipole software schedule and Nalcor's forecast, final bipole software schedule to be determined but expected by the following month, software completion support package status, ability to sell power in advance of final high power testing, synchronous condenser remediation and status prior to COVID-19 and current status including GE Power remobilization update, recommencement of commissioning on unit 2, selection of a contractor for design build contract for lateral vibration remediation, contract finalization and schedule to be determined, root cause analysis complete on Unit 3 bearing and housing corrosion. GE Power development of revised overall project schedule and unit 2 commissioning schedule, project cost risks within and above the project budget, COVID -19 costs to date and Committee members interest in visiting Soldiers Pond as soon as COVID-19 protocols will allow and without impeding the work restart.

### 2.2 Power Development (Generation)

Project update including discussion on safety performance, COVID-19 and current focus, implementation of contractor restart plans, work teams on site and isolating personnel and plans to transfer to site, workforce numbers by end of June 2020, lifting of Force Majeure on main contracts, priority restart of commissioning work on unit 1, four month overall disruption to site activities once contractors have remobilized, productivity impacts, IPS will be updated following contactor experience working under new conditions, potential cost and schedule delay impacts, productivity mitigation, key site changes due to COVID-19, project cost risk within and above the project budget, contingency draw for COVID-19, Astaldi arbitration update, turbines and generators remaining work scope, Nalcor forecasting commercial power for unit 1 in August 2020, and project team plans for discussion with the Nalcor Board on project budget.

## 3. Committee Business

The Committee discussed the Nalcor project update, May 2020 Committee minutes review and plans to discuss the Muskrat Falls Inquiry Report.

### 4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m.

**Paul Carter** 

Executive Director, (Chair)

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