

MINUTES

Muskrat Falls Project Oversight Committee

MEETING NO. 83 – December 9, 2020

Committee Members Present	Regrets
	Mr. Gary Norris, Clerk of the Executive Council
	Ms. Krista Quinlan, Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council
Mr. John Cowan, Assistant Secretary to Cabinet for Economic Policy	
	Mr. Craig Martin, Associate Deputy Minister, Industry, Energy and Technology
	Ms. Jennifer Mercer, Deputy Minister, Justice and Public Safety
Mr. Paul Smith, Deputy Minister, Finance	
	Mr. Ted Lomond, Deputy Minister, Industry, Energy and Technology
Mr. Corey Snook, Director, Industry, Energy and Technology	
Mr. Cory Grandy, Deputy Minister, Transportation and Infrastructure	
Mr. Randy Pelletier, Solicitor, Justice and Public Safety	
Ms. Lynn Zurel, Independent	
	Ms. Judy Morrow, Independent
	Mr. Paul Snelgrove, Independent
Mr. Dave Billard, Independent	

Committee Support:

Mr. Paul Carter, Executive Director, (Chair)

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Place: Meeting held via teleconference

1. Progress Update

Paul Carter discussed conference calls since the Committee's last meeting with Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), the Independent Engineer (IE) and Nalcor, an overview of a recent virtual site tour of Muskrat Falls with Nalcor, NRCan and the IE, Nalcor reporting to the Newfoundland and Labrador Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (PUB), discussion with NRCan and the IE on establishing quarterly meetings with the full Committee going forward, discussion with Nalcor regarding the Chair participating in virtual factory accepted testing (FAT) of final bipole software, converter stations valve hall remediation, LITL

commissioning and power transfer on December 4, 2020, final bipole software schedule adjustments, powerhouse commissioning schedule adjustments, Astaldi arbitration, Christmas period and project COVID-19 considerations, draft Committee Q3, 2020 report, Committee meeting minutes approval and plans for January 2021 Committee meeting schedule.

2. Nalcor Project Updates

Nalcor officials presented project updates for the reporting period ending October 2020 and provided a key project risks overview.

Nalcor Officials Present:

Mr. Jim Haynes, Executive Vice President, Power Supply
 Mr. Gerard Dunphy, Vice President and Project Director – Transmission
 Ms. Rosanne Williams, Strategy and 3rd Party Coordination Manager
 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 LITL construction and remaining critical work, valve hall remediation, bipole final software and dynamic commissioning, synchronous condenser dynamic commissioning and vibration remediation, LITL energization requirements, valve hall root cause analysis and interim and final remediation plans, bipole software schedule, testing phases, Independent Third Party (ITP) audit, trial operations, synchronous condenser current and elliptical bearing design, dynamic commissioning and system requirements, lateral vibration and foundation remediation and decision to be taken, third party review of elliptical bearing test results, timing of final valve hall remediation plan being known and project issues and challenges.

2.2 Power Development (Generation)

Project update including discussion on MFGen construction and remaining critical work, powerhouse units status, balance of plant and hydro mechanical status and project issues and challenges.

2.3 Power Key Risk Review

Risk review update including; discussion on the Lower Churchill Project risk management process, risk assessment matrix, power supply and power development key risk summary including issues, mitigations and unknowns, cost and schedule impacts and trends, bipole software, synchronous condensers vibration remediation, valve hall remediation, Astaldi Arbitration, COVID-19 disruptions, October 2020 Integrated Project Schedule (IPS), LITL and MFGen cost risks within and above the current September 2020 budget, October 2020 contingency allocation, Christmas period shutdown return to work plans and COVID-19 considerations, final commission documentation, contract close out documentation and project risk register recording and the December 4, 2020 milestone of successful power transfer.

3. Committee Business

The Committee discussed Nalcor's project updates including project risk and Nalcor team members present, documentation on synchronous condenser elliptical bearing test results and the meeting schedule for January 2021.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:45 p.m.

Paul Carter



Executive Director, (Chair)
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