

MINUTES

Muskrat Falls Project Oversight Committee

MEETING NO. 97 – December 15, 2021

Committee Members Present	Regrets
	Ms. Krista Quinlan, Clerk of the Executive Council
Mr. Dan Mackenzie, Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council	
Mr. John Cowan, Deputy Minister, Industry, Energy and Technology	
Mr. Craig Martin, Associate Deputy Minister, Industry, Energy and Technology	
	Ms. Heather Jacobs, Deputy Minister, Justice and Public Safety (A)
	Ms. Michelle Jewer, Deputy Minister, Finance
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
	Independent, Vacant

Committee Support:

Mr. Paul Carter, Executive Director, (Chair)

Ms. Tracey Pennell, Justice and Public Safety (via telephone)

Ms. Theresa Heffernan, Finance

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: Via teleconference

1. NL Hydro Project Updates

NL Hydro officials presented project updates for the reporting period ending October 2021 and recent updates.

NL Hydro Officials Present:

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

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

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

1.1 Power Development (Generation)

Project update including discussion on safety performance, key monthly highlights including November 2021 MFGen/LTA commissioning certificate issuance and approval, turbines and generators update including unit 1 - in operation, unit 2 – released by Newfoundland and Labrador System Operator (NLSO) to Power Supply for turbine and generator and intake gate punch list clearance with no anomalies observed with runner inspection and next steps under consideration by Andritz engineering, unit 3 – in operation, unit 4 - released by NLSO to Power Supply for turbine and generator and intake gate punch list clearance, balance of plant punch list clearance ongoing, key risks summary including Astaldi arbitration panel decision expected in early January 2022, costs risks with and above the September 2021 budget, and project staff ramp down projections.

1.2 Power Supply (Transmission)

Project update including discussion on safety performance, key monthly highlights including regression testing and factory acceptance testing of the new version of full functioning bipole (FFB) software was received with dynamic commissioning ongoing, LITL operations update including occurrence of a trip with new software, root cause has been determined and is being review by NL Hydro prior to re-energizing the LITL, plans to move to higher power level testing with this version of software pending the outcome of dynamic commissioning and optimize use of the LITL at increased power levels until a new version of software is released in 2022, GE has not provided a schedule for the delivery of next version of FFB software, at present Power Supply cannot provide a meaningful forecast for the delivery of the next version of software but is working with GE to achieve final commissioning by date certain, a new amending agreement with GE is currently under negotiation, synchronous condenser status including an update on unit 1 damage and repair time lines (several months), summary of key risks including completion of LITL dynamic commissioning and trial operations, software bug resolution and functionalities, amending agreement risks, cost risks within and above the September 2021 budget, and project team ramp down projections.

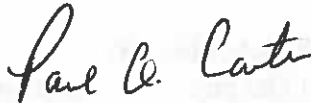
2. Committee Business

The Committee discussed NL Hydro's project updates including status of software development, requirement for ongoing negotiations with GE and software completion risk uncertainty.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Paul Carter



Executive Director, (Chair)
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