

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK**

IN THE MATTER OF a Hearing to review the evidence to be provided by New Brunswick Power Corporation in connection with a proposal to refurbish its generating facility at Coleson Cove.

O R D E R

WHEREAS New Brunswick Power Corporation ("NB Power") has applied to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (the "Board") by Application dated the 12th day of July 2001 for a public hearing on the evidence to be provided in connection with the proposal to refurbish its generating facility at Coleson Cove.

AND WHEREAS NB Power is required, pursuant to Subsection 40.1(1.1) of the Public Utilities Act, Chapter P-27 RSNB ("the Act") to make application to the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities ("the Board") before making an expenditure exceeding \$75 million for the maintenance or upgrading of a generating facility, and the Board is required to hold a public hearing to review such an application;

AND WHEREAS, NB Power is proposing environmental improvements, life extension and conversion from oil to Orimulsion® fuel for the Coleson Cove generating facility;

AND WHEREAS, prior to filing its evidence, NB Power is inviting the Board and members of the public, who would like to consider becoming intervenors, to an Information Session on the 15th day of August 2001 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM in Ballroom C of the Delta Brunswick Hotel in Saint John, New Brunswick;

AND WHEREAS NB Power has applied to this Board to hold a public hearing to review its evidence and, pursuant to Subsection 40.1(3) of the Act, make a recommendation as to whether the project should be undertaken.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (a) The Board shall hold a public hearing to review the evidence to be filed by NB Power.
- (b) A Pre-Hearing conference shall be held in Ballroom C of the Delta Brunswick Hotel, Saint John, New Brunswick, on Friday the 14th day of September 2001 commencing at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and from day to day as necessary, when and where intervenors and NB Power should attend and make representations as to the date of the full public hearing and the procedure to be followed prior to and at the public hearing and as to any other relevant matters.
- (c) Notice of the date for the holding of the Pre-Hearing Conference in respect of the application and the procedure the Board intends to follow to facilitate the participation of intending intervenors, be published, in the form or substantially in the form attached hereto marked "A", in either the English or French language as may be appropriate having regard to the principal language of publication, twice in each of the following newspapers:

Dailies

Times-Transcript	Moncton
L'Acadie Nouvelle	Caraquet
The Saint John Times Globe	Saint John
The Telegraph Journal	Saint John
Daily Gleaner	Fredericton

and once in each of the following newspapers:

Weeklies

The Observer	Hartland
Le Madawaska	Edmundston
The/La Cataracte	Grand Falls
Kings County Record	Sussex
Sackville Tribune-Post	Sackville
Bugle (Henley Publishing Limited)	Woodstock
Saint Croix Courier	St. Stephen
Tribune	Campbellton
L'Aviron	Campbellton
Victoria County Record	Perth-Andover
Miramichi Leader	Miramichi
Northern Light	Bathurst

on or before the 10th day of August 2001.

(d) The Application, the Filing Memorandum, a copy of the Board's Order and NB Power's Evidence will be placed on file on the 4th day of September 2001 for examination by interested parties during normal business hours, in the offices of this Board and in all NB Power's business offices in New Brunswick. Copies of the Board's full Order may be obtained by calling (506) 658-2504 or by writing to:

**Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities
PO Box 5001
Saint John, NB
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DATED at the City of Saint John this 19th day of July 2001.

BY THE BOARD

**Lorraine R. Légère
Secretary
New Brunswick Board of
Commissioners of Public Utilities**