

April 30, 2020

Mr. Gordon Van Tighem, Chair Northwest Territories Public Utilities Board 203 - 62 Woodland Drive Box 4211 Hay River, NT X0E 1G1

Attention: Mr. Gordon Van Tighem,

**Board Chairman** 

Dear Sir:

Re: Northland Utilities (Yellowknife) Limited ("Northland")

**Annual Report of Finances and Operations** 

Pursuant to the NWT Public Utilities Act, please find attached the 2019 Annual Report of Finances and Operations for Northland Utilities (Yellowknife) Limited (Northland). This report is consistent with the format and content for a Report of Finance Operations as approved by the Board in Decision 13-2014 regarding the Standardized System of Accounts and General Rate Application Minimum Filing Requirements for Electric Utilities operating in the Northwest Territories.

A copy of Northland's 2019 audited financial statements is also included.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <a href="mailto:chris.cullingham@atco.com">chris.cullingham@atco.com</a>.

Yours truly,

Chris Cullingham Manager, Regulatory

#### Enclosure

cc: D. Tenney, Vice President, Northern Development

D. Smith, Manager, Northland Utilities (Yellowknife) Limited

#### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Total Tariff Sales and Revenue

Line		2018	2019
No.	Description	Actual	Actual
1	Residential		
2	Customers (average during year)	7,566	7,572
3	Sales in MWh	52,523	51,951
4	MWh sales per customer	6.9	6.9
5	Revenue (\$000s)	17,782	17,714
6	Cents per KWh	33.85	34.10
7	Commercial		
8	Customers (average during year)	1,328	1,333
9	Sales in MWh	102,585	103,164
10	MWh sales per customer	77.3	77.4
11	Revenue (\$000s)	28,715	29,300
12	Cents per KWh	27.99	28.40
13	Street Lights		
14	Sales in MWh	727	739
15	Revenue (\$000s)	868	885
16	Cents per KWh	119.40	119.65
17	Space Lights		
18	Sales in MWh	84	78
19	Revenue (\$000s)	39	37
20	Cents per KWh	47.07	47.69
21	Total Company		
22	Customers	8,893	8,905
23	Sales in MWh	155,919	155,933
24	Revenue (\$000s)	47,404	47,936
25	Cents per KWh	30.40	30.74
26	Retail Revenues	47,404	47,936
27	Rate Decrease from Existing Rates	-	-
28	Ç	47,404	47,936

### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Revenue Requirement and ROE Reconciliation (\$000s)

Line		2018	2019
No.	Description	Actual	Actual
1	Revenues		
2	Retail revenues	47,404	47,936
3	Other revenue	644	627
4	Total Revenues	48,048	48,563
5			
6	Costs		
7	Purchase power	36,969	37,932
8	Operations and maintenance	3,297	3,417
9	Franchise taxes	1,300	1,077
10	Property taxes	74	83
11	Depreciation	2,985	2,908
12	Amortization of contributions	(212)	(223)
13	Amortization of deferred costs/credits	(193)	(193)
14	Income taxes	542	409
15	Sub total	44,762	45,410
16			
17	Less:		
18	Long-term debt interest	1,220	1,198
19	Interest on deposits	3	3
20	Sub total	1,223	1,201
21			
22	Regulatory Earnings	2,063	1,952
23			
24	Revenue Requirement	48,048	48,563
25			
26			
27	Common Equity Rate Base	19,047	18,965
28			
29	Return on Common Equity	10.83%	10.29%

### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Total Operations and Maintenance Expenses (\$000s)

Line		2018	20	19	
No.	Description	Actual	Actual	Variance	
1	Distribution	731	881	(150)	L.14
2	General	170	169	1	
3	Public Information	109	142	(33)	
4	Billing & Customer Accounting	809	845	(36)	
5	Corporate	1,500	1,397	103	L.16
6	·	3,319	3,434	(115)	
7	<u>Less:</u>			, ,	
8	Donations in account 70150/72100	(22)	(17)	(5)	
9					
10	Total operations and maintenance expenses	3,297	3,417	(120)	
11					
12	Variance > \$50:				
13					
14	Distribution - Costs are higher mainly due to increase in ma HPS street light maintenance work.	aintenance of lines and	substations a	s well as	
15					
16	Corporate - Costs are lower mainly due to decreased bank	fees on credit card cha	rges.		

#### Schedule 6.0

# Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Plant Amortization Expense (\$000s)

Line		2018	2019
No.	Description	Actual	Actual
1	General Provision	2,975	2,917
2	Amortization of Differences	55	55
3	Vehicle Depreciation Capitalized	(45)	(64)
4	Total Depreciation Expense	2,985	2,908

### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Return on Rate Base (\$000s)

Line		Mid-Year		Mid-Year Rate	Mid-Year Cost	
No.	Description	Balance	Ratio	Base	Rate	Return
	-					
1	2018 Actual					
2	Long Term Debt	25,363	55.89%	24,928	4.90%	1,220
3	Common Stock	19,379	42.71%	19,047	10.83%	2,063
4	Customer Deposits	532	1.17%	523	0.50%	3
5	No Cost Capital	103	0.23%	101	0.00%	
6	Total	45,377	100%	44,599	7.37%	3,286
7	2019 Actual					
8	Long Term Debt	24,713	55.67%	24,667	4.85%	1,198
9	Common Stock	19,001	42.80%	18,965	10.29%	1,952
10	Customer Deposits	573	1.29%	572	0.50%	3
11	No Cost Capital	103	0.23%	103	0.00%	-
12	Total	44,390	100%	44,307	7.12%	3,153

## Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Mid-Year Capitalization Continuity (\$000s)

Line		2018	2019
No.		Actual	Actual
1	Common Equity		
2	Opening Balance	19,139	19,619
3	Shares Issue	-	-
4	Net Income	2,080	1,964
5	Less: Dividends	(1,600)	(3,200)
6	Closing Balance	19,619	18,383
7	Mid-Year Balance	19,379	19,001
8			
9	Debt- Long Term		
10	Opening Balance	25,363	25,363
11	Issue	-	200
12	Repayment		(1,500)
13	Closing Balance	25,363	24,063
14	Mid-Year Balance	25,363	24,713
15			
16	Customer Deposits		
17	Opening Balance	529	535
18	Additions	65	207
19	Payments	(59)	(131)
20	Closing Balance	535	611
21	Mid-Year Balance	532	573
22			
23	No Cost Capital		
24	Mid-Year Balance	103	103
25			
26	Total Mid-Year Capitalization	45,376	44,390

### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Income Tax Expense (\$000s)

Line		2018	2019
No.	Description	Actual	Actual
1	Utility Earnings Before Tax	2,605	2,361
2	Add : AFUDC	37	11
3		2,642	2,372
4	Add:		
5	Depreciation	2,985	2,908
6	Amortization of Contributions	(212)	(223)
7	Non-allowable Expenses	15	8
8	Plant Maintenance Reserve Amortization	-	-
9	Rate Case Write-off	(418)	(418)
10	Injuries & Damages Write-off	225	225
11	Charges to Deferred Pension	70	78
12	Sub-total	2,665	2,578
13	Deduct:		
14	CCA	2,515	2,589
15	Rate Case Expenditure	8	-
16	Reserves for İnjuries & Damages	-	_
17	Pension Payments	122	120
18	CEC	-	_
19	Dismantling Costs	115	198
20	AFUDC	37	11
21	ES&G	325	353
22	Stock Handling	108	115
23	Sub-total	3,230	3,386
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24	Taxable Income	2,077	1,564
25	Tax Rate	26.50%	26.50%
26	Other Adjustments	(8)	(5)
27	Income Tax	542	409

# Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Rate Base Calculation (\$000s)

Line		2018	2019
No.	Description	Actual	Actual
1	Property, Plant and Equipment		
2	Year End Balance	83,265	83,783
3	Deduct:		
4	Accumulated Depreciation	34,083	35,594
5	Construction-in-Progress	196	63
6	Total Deductions	34,279	35,657
7	Net Plant in Service		
8	Current Year End Balance	48,987	48,126
9	Previous Year End Balance	49,227	48,987
10	Total	98,214	97,113
11	Mid-Year Balance	49,107	48,556
12	Mid-year Rate Deferred Charges/Credits	110	306
13	Working Capital	922	1,202
14	Gross Rate Base	50,139	50,064
15	Deduct:		
16	Contributions for Extensions		
17	Current Year-End Balance	5,737	5,776
18	Previous Year-End Balance	5,342	5,737
19	Total	11,079	11,513
20	Mid-Year Balance	5,540	5,757
21	Net Rate Base	44,599	44,307

#### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 CWIP Continuity (\$000)

			201				2019	
Line		Opening	Actu Capital	Capital	Closing	Capital	Actual Capital	Closing
No.	Description	Balance	Expend	Adds	Balance	Expend	Adds	Balance
1	New Extension							
2	BWO 1 PHASE RESIDENTIAL UNDERGROUND SERVICE	-	25	(25)	-	3	(3)	-
3	STANTON HOSPITAL EXPANSION	-	101	(101)	-	(11)	11	-
4	ENGLE PHASE 2	296	182	(478)	-	-	-	-
5	ENGLE DOG KENNELS	50	30	(80)	-	-	-	-
6	ACES CRUSHER XMER UPGRA	-	33	(33)	-	-	-	-
7	YK MOTORS GMC	-	52	(52)	-	-	- (4)	-
8	CON MINE C1 SHAFT NIVEN PH5 CITY	-	66	(66)	-	1	(1)	-
9 10	CJ CONTRACTING	1	68		68	133 47	(200) (47)	
11	MERLIN RD UPGRADE		-			27	(27)	-
12	BARTHAM MOTEL - SYSTEM	(4)	(19)	23			(21)	
13	OTHER PROJECTS LESS THAN \$20,000	2	90	(83)	10	90	(75)	24
14	New Extension Total	344	628	(894)	77	290	(343)	24
15	Distribution							
16	COOPER VFI	245	25	(270)	-	-	-	-
17	UG FAULT INDICATORS	23	3	(26)	-	-	-	-
18 19	MODEL UPDATES SWITCHES & BIRD PROTECT	31 44	3 (4)	(34) (40)	-	-	-	-
20	500 SUB METERING	1	(4) 41	(40)	-	-	-	-
21	NIVEN RELAY UPGRADE	<u>'</u>	34	(34)		7	(7)	-
22	SWITCHES & BIRD PROTECT		38	(38)	-	(3)	3	-
23	KAM LAKE CLEARANCE	_	77	(77)	-	(7)	7	-
24	LINE MARKING	-	41	(41)	-	-		_
25	2018 POLE TEST & TREAT	-	33	(33)	-	-	-	-
26	2018 POLE CHANGES	-	64	(64)	-	3	(3)	-
27	TWO FEED RISERS	-	26	(26)	-	(0)	0	-
28	LINE MARKING - PHASE 2 - FLOAT BASE	-	-	-	-	35	(35)	-
29	KAM LAKE CLEARANCE - PHASE 2	-	-	-	-	50	(50)	-
30	NORTHLAND TRAILER PARK CONDUIT ISSUE - PHASE 1	-	-	-	-	44	(44)	-
31	NK 1006277 2019 FEEDER PROTECTION	-	-	-	-	35	(35)	-
32	NORTHLAND TRAILER PARK CONDUIT ISSUE - PHASE 2	-	-	-	-	106	(106)	-
33 34	2019 POLE CHANGE MCDONALD DRIVE SECONDARY	-	-	-	-	116 28	(116)	-
35	2019 - POLE TEST AND TREAT		-			32	(28) (32)	-
36	TWO FEED RISER - PHASE 2 - BUTLER CONDOS					36	(36)	
37	MCNIVEN CABLE REPLACEMENT	_	-	-	-	22	(22)	_
38	BROMLEY PEDS	-	3	-	3	21	(25)	-
39	OTHER PROJECTS LESS THAN \$20,000	5	72	(50)	28	36	(28)	35
40	Distribution Total	349	455	(773)	31	559	(555)	35
	Street & Canting Lights							
41 42	Street & Sentinel Lights ST LTS WILLIAMS AVE	72	29	(101)	_ [	_	_	_
43	ST LTS WILLIAMS AVE ST LTS FRANKLIN AVE	50	29	(260)	[]	19	(19)	
44	2016 LED STREET LIGHTS	-	(386)	386	- 1	-	(13)	
45	BUTLER PEDESTALS	34	(1)	(33)	-	_	_	
46	ST LT NIVEN PHASE 5	1	27	(28)	-	23	(23)	
47	ST LTS ENGLE PHASE 2	19	76	(95)	-	-	-	
48	ST LTS ENGLE DOG KENNEL	6	28	(34)	-	-	-	
49	ST LTS DAGENAIS	-	117	(117)	-	21	(21)	-
50	ST LTS NORSEMAN DRIVE T	-	38	(38)	-	1	(1)	-
51	ST LTS POST TOP LED	-	382	(382)	-			-
52	ST LTS DAGENAIS DRIVE PART 2	-	-	-	-	171	(171)	-
53	ST LTS OAR - PHASE 1	-	-	-	-	149	(149)	-
54	ST LTS 49 STREET	-	-	-	-	54	(54)	-
55	ST LTS FORREST DRIVE	_	- 0	-	-	46	(46)	-
56 57	SMART CITIES LIGHTING ST LT 2018 REPLACEMENTS	_	14	-	0 14	29 14	(30) (28)	-
58	OTHER PROJECTS LESS THAN \$20,000	(3)	93	(87)	3	27	(30)	0
50	Street & Sentinel Lights Total	179	628	(789)	17	554	(571)	0

(3)

(1,886)

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#### Northland Utilities (NUY) Limited Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 **CWIP Continuity** (\$000)

2018 2019 Actual Actual Closing Closing Capital Capital Line Opening Capital Capital No. Description Balance Expend Adds Balance Expend Adds Balance 60 Meters CAPITAL METER ADDS 61 62 Meters Total 30 (3) (30) 63 Transformers 64 REPLACE BURNT OUT TRANSFORMERS 24 (30) (24) 30 65 SALE OF 1.5MVA STEP DOW (44) Transformers Total 66 52 15 (67) 30 (30) 67 Tools, Instruments & Equipment 68 GENERAL PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT 20 (20) 2019 BWO GP&E TOOLS Tools, Instruments & Equipment Total 20 (20) (27) 71 Office Furniture & Equipment 72 OFFICE FURNITURE 2019 BWO GP&E FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT Office Furniture & Equipment Total (3) 75 Office Computer Software76 ORACLE UPGRADE 20 21 (41) 77 MY ACCOUNT 107 (113) FLEET MAXIMO 78 Office Computer Software Total 20 30 (41) 9 107 (113) 79 80 Transportation Equipment 2018 DODGE RAM 2500 41 38 (41) 81 82 REFURBISH 1122 DIGGER 38 46 83 REPLACE UNIT 1129 23 14 (37) 23 84 PURCHASE UNIT 1150 - REPLACE UNIT 1130 (45) 85 PURCHASE UNIT 1151 - REPLACE UNIT 1131 42 (42) OTHER PROJECTS LESS THAN \$20,000
Transportation Equipment Total (0) 62 146 11 102 (52) (208) Land & Buildings 88 Communication Equipment
89 NK 1013601 2019 BWO GP&E COMPUTER, VOICE, & DATA Communication Equipment Total 91 Land & Buildings OTHER PROJECTS LESS THAN \$20,000

(1)

954

1,879

(3)

(2,637)

196

1,753

92

Land & Buildings Total

**Grand Total** 

# NORTHLAND UTILITIES (NUY) LIMITED Annual Filing for the Year Ended December 31, 2019 Reconciliation of Utility Return to Adjusted Net Earnings (\$000s)

Line			
No.	Description	2018	2019
1	Regulatory earnings	3,286	3,153
2	Add Non Utility Income:		
3 4	Allowance for Funds Used During Construction Other Interest	37 23	11 -
5		60	11
6	Sub-Total	3,346	3,164
7	Less Non Utility Expenses:		
8	Interest to Parent	1,242	1,179
9	Short Term Interest to Parent	10	3
10	Non Utility O&M	22	17
11		1,274	1,199
12	Sub-Total	2,072	1,965
13	Add Income Tax Adjustment:		
14	Tax on Net Non Utility Income	8	(1)
15	Adjusted Earnings Attributable to Class A and Class B Share Owners	2,080	1,964