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For the year ending March 31, 2015

Members of the Nunavut Legislative Assembly:

I take pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of the Nunavut Utility Rates Review Council for the calendar year ending March 31, 2015.

Original Signed By:

Hon Peter Taptuna
Minister responsible for the Utility
Rates Review Council

April 15, 2015

The Honourable Peter Taptuna
Minister responsible for the
Utility Rates Review Council
Of Nunavut

Dear Minister:

I have the honour presenting the Annual Report of the Utility Rates Review Council of Nunavut for the calendar year ending March 31, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond Mercer
Chair, Utility Rates Review Council
Of Nunavut

The Utility Rates Review Council

1. MANDATE

The *Utility Rates Review Council Act*, created in the spring of 2001, and amended in the summer of 2010, gives the power to the URRC to provide advice to ministers regarding rates and tariffs to be charged by designated utilities and any other matters as requested and directed by the minister responsible for the URRC.

Under the Act, a designated utility is defined as *a utility or a member of a class of utilities designated in the regulations*:

Additionally, a utility is any of the following that provides goods or services to the public:

- (a) a corporation that is owned or controlled by the Government of Nunavut, and to which this Act applies either by legislation or a regulation made under paragraph 20(1)(a):*
- (b) a department or administrative division of the Government of Nunavut to which this Act applies either by legislation or a regulation made under paragraph 20(1)(a):*
- (c) a person or organization not mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b) to which this Act applies either by legislation or a regulation made under paragraph 20(1)(a)*

The Qulliq Energy Corporation and as a consequence Nunavut Power Corporation, as Designated Utilities, are subject to the URRC through the *Utility Rates Review Council Act*.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Review Council as outlined in section 7 of the URRC

The purposes of the Review Council are to:

- (a) advise the responsible Minister of a designated utility regarding the imposition of rates and tariffs in accordance with sections 11 to 14 of the URRC;*
- (b) advise the responsible Minister of a utility other than a designated utility regarding any questions that the responsible Minister refers to the Review Council regarding rates, tariffs and rate structures;*
- (c) advise the responsible Minister for any utility concerning any matter referred to the utility that is referred to it by the responsible Minister on the recommendation of the Executive Council;*
- (d) advise any Minister concerning any matter related to charges for the use of goods and services that is referred to it by the Minister on the recommendation of the Executive Council;*
- (e) advise the Minister responsible for the Qulliq Energy Corporation regarding applications for permission for major capital projects under section 10 of the Qulliq Energy Corporation Act.*

3. ORGANIZATION

The Review Council consists of five part-time members appointed for three years. The Minister responsible for the URRC appoints members of the Council and designates one member of the Review Council as chair and one member as vice chair.