



## **Nalcor Energy submits Environmental Impact Statement for Labrador-Island Transmission Link**

April 9, 2012 – Nalcor Energy submitted the required Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) today for the Labrador-Island Transmission Link environmental assessment.

“Today’s submission of the EIS is an important part of the environmental assessment process for the Labrador-Island Transmission Link,” said Ed Martin, President and CEO of Nalcor Energy. “We’ve completed significant analysis of the likely environmental effects of the transmission line and Strait of Belle Isle crossing and are submitting our analysis to the provincial and federal governments.”

The proposed 1,100 kilometre (km) transmission line will connect Muskrat Falls on the lower Churchill River in Labrador with the island of Newfoundland. It is designed to carry up to 900 megawatts of power across a High Voltage direct current (HVdc) transmission system and across the Strait of Belle Isle.

“Consultation with public, stakeholder and Aboriginal groups has been an important part of our environmental assessment process to-date,” explains Martin. “Since 2010, Nalcor has held public open houses and meetings to discuss the proposed transmission line. The feedback we’ve heard has provided valuable input to the environmental assessment process and ultimately, into the EIS.”

In addition to the EIS and Executive Summary, Nalcor has produced a [Plain Language Summary](#) which includes a short description of the transmission project and the likely environmental effects and mitigation measures. All documents can be found on [Nalcor’s website](#).

The Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project (generation facilities at Muskrat Falls and Gull Island) was released from environmental assessment in March 2012.

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