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Newfoundland Power announces its annual Environmental Grants – Celebrating 20 years

(St. John's, NL): Newfoundland Power is pleased to announce its *EnviroFest* 2017 Grant Program to assist community-minded organizations and groups develop or improve environmentally-friendly projects in communities across the island. *EnviroFest* has been the cornerstone of the Company's community-based Environmental Commitment Program. This year marks the 20th anniversary of hosting beautification projects across the province.

"Over the past 20 years, our employees have made a remarkable difference beautifying the communities where they live and work," says Gary Smith, President and Chief Executive Officer, Newfoundland Power. "With over 90 beautification projects completed and over 3,000 trees planted, our employees have inspired many to follow in our footsteps and become environmental stewards of their communities."

EnviroFest is Newfoundland Power's annual celebration of the environment which offers hands-on support for initiatives that encourage positive environmental action throughout our province. Whether it's improving a park area, enhancing a trail system, planting trees, starting a recycling program or adding/refurbishing a green space, these projects are aimed at enhancing the quality of life for many years to come through environmental action.

Organizations are invited to submit proposals by 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 14, 2017. Successful applicants will be notified on Friday, April 21, 2017. A minimum of five grants of up to \$5,000 each will be awarded. For more information on these grants and how to apply, visit newfoundlandpower.com.

Newfoundland Power is proud to recognize the *EnviroFest* 2016 Grant Partners whose successful projects have enhanced the environment and green spaces in their communities: Baie Verte Peninsula Community Garden, Baie Verte; Regional Therapeutic Community Garden, New-Wes-Valley; Clarke's Gully Park, Victoria; Laurentian Park, St. Lawrence; and, Kippens Community Park.

Newfoundland Power is the primary distributor of electricity on the island portion of Newfoundland and Labrador, and purchases 93% of its energy needs from Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro. With a customer base of approximately 264,000 accounts, Newfoundland Power is committed to safety, dedicated to the highest level of customer service and delivers reliable electricity at the lowest possible cost. For more information on Newfoundland Power's programs, services and community partnerships, please visit newfoundlandpower.com.

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