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Muskrat Falls Hydroelectric Project Poses Risks for Canada that are Being Ignored

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September saw the scheduled flooding at the Muskrat Falls hydroelectric facility in Labrador, with the first power from the facility set to start this fall. The \$12.7 billion provincial investment in green energy has driven Newfoundland and Labrador to **the verge of bankruptcy** and made a global exhibition of Canada's natural resource development. Too often the impacts on Indigenous Peoples are treated as afterthoughts.

The province has spent the past 10 years **refusing to engage** the Labrador Inuit over their credible concerns of health impacts from the hydroelectric project. It has ignored both the available scientific evidence and **the recommendations of an independent committee it itself created**.