

The National Energy Board is empowered to grant an emergency order for the export of electric power when conditions may cause an interruption in the supply of power to consumers in the United States or Canada served by interconnected power-line facilities.

This is the second emergency order issued by the Board to Hydro-Quebec for additional exports to the United States. The first, which was issued in January, was granted mainly because of the severity of the fuel shortage in the United States this past winter.

Consolidated Edison uses residual fuel oil to generate electricity.

International Youth Festival

The Province of Quebec will be host to the first International Youth Festival (August 13-24), organized by the *Agence de coopération culturelle et technique*, of which Canada is one of 25 members.

Two thousand young athletes, artists and artisans from 25 French-speaking countries will visit Quebec City for two weeks to celebrate their cultures and their youth. Activities include a review of the work of young film-makers, production of a documentary film on the Festival, a workshop for research and production of a group drama, a workshop on man and his environment, athletic and parachute competitions, nights for poetry, song and story, traditional exercises and games, and presentations of national displays. An arts village will attract artists and artisans from everywhere; music will come from national groups of musicians.

The Federal Government has granted \$900,000 and the Quebec government \$500,000 to support the Festival.

Training under foreign aid program

About 100 Canadians, including couples and teenage children, underwent a two-week, intensive training course at Ottawa's Carleton University recently, before taking up posts abroad under Canada's foreign aid program.

Members of the group — comprising teachers, nurses, engineers, consult-

ants and technicians in a variety of fields — left on July 20 for 12 countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and Latin America under two-year contracts with the Canadian International Development Agency.

In addition to learning administrative matters, the nature of the country of destination and its culture, the participants were apprised of the need of being able to communicate and to relate effectively with people whose cultures and values were unfamiliar to them.

Nationals from the countries of destination — often students studying in Canada — participated in the work groups. Also, every family had a daily session with a "host national" — a person from the country of destination — in an effort to learn as much as possible about culture and customs so that family members may adapt to their new environment.

Inuit film wins award at World Animation Film Festival

An Inuit (Eskimo) animated film produced at the new film workshop in Cape Dorset, Northwest Territories, has won the Jury Award for outstanding achievement at the World Animation Film Festival in Zagreb, Yugoslavia. The nine-minute film, one of about 200 entries, was given the award "for the amazing discovery of new possibilities in animation".

Although the film has not yet been released for screening, a spokesman of the National Film Board of Montreal said that the Board had been already flooded with requests for the film.

Representing Canada with the film were two Inuit from Cape Dorset, Mr. Joanasie Salamonie, who directs the workshop, and Ms. Sitaralak Olaigie, who were attending the festival under the sponsorship of the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs. The film was entered in the festival on the workshop's behalf by the National Film Board.

The workshop, which has been in operation in Cape Dorset for about a year, helps the Inuit use their outstanding creative abilities in the development of a commercial film animation company that will provide animated films for both industry and the government.

Motor vehicle test centre

A motor vehicle test centre costing \$9.5 million will be constructed on federally-owned land near the new Montreal International Airport, the Ministry of Transport announced this month.

This new centre, the first to be built in Canada, will enable the Ministry to increase widely the scope of its investigations into the safety of all motor vehicles sold in Canada, including studies of potential safety standards for new vehicles, road-design and driver performance.

Up to now testing and development programs have been carried out at various industry and government laboratories, but the increased variety and complexity of new vehicles have resulted in a need for additional tests on the stopping, skidding and stability of cars, trucks and buses.

The centre will feature a high-speed track, four miles long, which includes 12 lanes, half a mile long, of special testing area. The Government will continue to use all the Canadian laboratories currently testing vehicles and components for the Ministry.

The new centre is scheduled for completion in 1978.

Federal funding for summer jobs

The Manpower and Immigration Department recently announced that 27,289 young people will have a total of 285,623 weeks of summer employment under the Opportunities for Youth Program.

In all, 3,880 projects have been approved for total funding of \$26,653,000 under the program. Of these projects, 21 per cent involve social service work and 28 per cent the provision of recreational facilities and services. Other significant activity groupings are cultural and artistic 14 per cent, informational 6 per cent, environment 6 per cent, research 4 per cent, combination of the above and miscellaneous categories 21 per cent.

Opportunities for Youth is a Federal Government program and is part of Summer '74, the \$66-million project that is expected to provide direct and indirect employment for some 390,000 students this summer.