

1 Q. In reference to NLH's own energy sales growth to residential consumers, can
2 NLH provide illustrations as to losses incurred in specific rural communities
3 served by NLH due to out-migration?
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6 A. The larger decreases in domestic sales have been associated with the Bear
7 Cove distribution system on the GNP with a reduction in domestic sales for
8 the past decade of about 2 GWh. This distribution system encompasses the
9 communities of Pigeon Cove north to Eddie's Cove. An additional example of
10 a material decline in domestic sales across the past decade is Ramea, which
11 has seen a decline of about 1.4 GWh. The majority of Hydro's isolated
12 systems on the Island have had some degree of reduction in domestic sales.