

1 **Q. NP's submission to the Board on Hydro's 2014 Cost Recovery dated December 10,**
2 **2014 states:**

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4 *“Extraordinary circumstances may make it reasonable for the Board to consider*
5 *deferral of some amount of Hydro's 2014 costs for possible future recovery. This*
6 *consideration of future recovery of those costs could be made in 2015 when the Board*
7 *considers the amended rate application.”*

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9 **Would it be reasonable for the Board to consider recovery of NP's 2016 costs in the**
10 **context of a NP GRA, filed in September 2015? If not, why not?**

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12 **A.** Deferring the filing of Newfoundland Power's general rate application (“GRA”) from
13 June 1, 2015 to September 1, 2015 would not, in Newfoundland Power's view, be
14 consistent with regulatory efficiency.

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16 If Newfoundland Power were to file a GRA by September, 2015 with a 2016 test year, it
17 is likely that, given the current schedule for Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's
18 (“Hydro”) amended GRA, that the conclusion of Newfoundland Power's GRA could still
19 not occur until late 2016 or early 2017. For this reason, the 2016 deferred cost recovery
20 proposed in the Application is the superior alternative to addressing the current
21 circumstances.

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23 For further information regarding the appropriateness of the 2016 deferred cost recovery
24 proposed in the Application, refer to the responses to Requests for Information
25 PUB-NP-001, PUB-NP-002, PUB-NP-003, PUB-NP-006, PUB-NP-007 and
26 PUB-NP-008.