

1 **Undertaking Request (U-76)**

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3 ***Transcript Reference: July 25, 2018, Pg. 97, line 11 to Pg. 98, line 13***

4 ***Re: NLH Additional Cost of Service Information, Appendix F***

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6 Undertake to confirm and reconcile the average rate base figures for the 2019 test year.

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9 **Undertaking Response**

10 In the GRA and NLH Additional Cost of Service Information filings Hydro provided both the

11 Test Year rate base forecast along with the forecast under existing rates. Please refer to

12 Table 1 which details the rate base forecasts filed for 2019.

Table 1: 2019 Average Rate Base (\$000s)

Reference	Description	Average Rate Base
2017 GRA Volume I, Schedule 4-II, Page 5	Test Year	2,364,465
2017 GRA Volume I, Schedule 4-III, Page 1	Existing Rates	2,361,995
2017 GRA Additional COS Information, Appendix G, filed March 22, 2018	Test Year	2,340,287
2017 GRA Additional COS Information, Appendix F, filed March 22, 2018	Existing Rates	2,328,644

13 The 2019 Test Year average rate base figure of 3,238,644 (\$000s) shown in Appendix F of

14 the Additional Cost of Service Information is a typo. The correct number is 2,328,644

15 (\$000s).

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17 Comparison of the test years under both scenarios results in a decrease of \$24.2 million

18 which is primarily due to the change in cost assumptions for fuel from \$87.11/bbl in the

19 GRA filing to \$63.83/bbl in the NLH Additional Cost of Service Information.