

- 1 **Q. Please provide the annual costs for vegetation management for: (a) transmission**
 2 **lines, and (b) distribution feeders in 2016, 2017, and 2018, and 2018, 2019, and 2020**
 3 **budgets.**
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 5 A. Table 1 provides Newfoundland Power's vegetation management operating costs by asset
 6 class for the period 2016 to 2020F.
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Table 1:
Vegetation Management Operating Cost by Asset Class
2016 to 2020F
(\$000s)

	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F
Distribution	1,120	1,137	1,264	1,079	1,100
Transmission	564	729	367	711	724
Generation	68	79	60	68	69
Substation	69	148	1	71	72
Building Maintenance	0	6	0	2	2
Total	1,821	2,099	1,692	1,931	1,967

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 10 Over the 2016 to 2020F period, the Distribution and Transmission asset classes account
 11 for approximately 92% of annual vegetation management operating costs.
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13 The responsibility for vegetation management costs for the Company's distribution lines
 14 is shared with its joint use partner, Bell Canada. Newfoundland Power is responsible for
 15 60% of the annual cost and Bell Canada is responsible for 40%.¹

¹ For example, in 2019, the total distribution vegetation management budget shared by Newfoundland Power and Bell Canada is approximately \$1,800,000 (\$1,079,000/60%).