

1 Q. **Reference: Letter from NLH to the Board, dated November 30, 2018**

2 Interruptible loads

3 Indicate the progress made in 2018, if any, developing an interruptible load
4 program open to other customers in Labrador.

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7 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) received approval of an interruptible
8 agreement with Labrador Lynx Ltd. for the 2018-2019 winter season as a short-term
9 measure to ensure the forecast capacity constraints to the Labrador East region are
10 alleviated for the 2018-2019 winter period. Hydro also included an interruptible
11 provision in a temporary service agreement with BlockLab (77849 Newfoundland
12 and Labrador Inc.) to ensure the provision of temporary service to BlockLab did not
13 impact the provision of firm service to the Labrador Industrial customers. Both of
14 these agreements were approved by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities.

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16 In 2018, Hydro did not proceed with any further development of an interruptible
17 load program which would be available to other customers in Labrador. Hydro filed
18 the “Labrador Interconnected System Transmission Expansion Study” with the
19 Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities on October 31, 2018. This study
20 concluded that the proposed Muskrat Falls to Happy Valley Interconnection project
21 is the least-cost option to provide reliable service to customers in Labrador East.
22 Approval of this proposed project would provide adequate capacity to serve
23 Labrador East peak demand for the foreseeable future.

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25 Hydro will continue to include interruptible load as an option in its ongoing
26 evaluation of projects to provide least-cost and reliable service to its customers on
27 the Labrador Interconnected System.