

1 Q. Please describe the ways that these implications could be mitigated, and the cost
2 and timeframe for each one.

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5 A. Please refer Hydro's response to PUB-NLH-049. With respect to costs of
6 transformer replacement, Section 5.1 in the 2018 Capital Budget Application,
7 Volume 2, Tab 13, Appendix A (the report) provides the cost to remove the risk of a
8 loss of a transformer at either end of L1301/1302 under Option 1, as analyzed in the
9 report. If spares were on hand but not installed, then it would be 2 to 4 weeks to
10 install the spare upon failure of the in-service transformer, and if a spare was not on
11 hand, then it would be 6 to 18 months if a transformer has to be ordered.