

1 Q. In light of information gleaned from the Technical Conference held on May 28, 2020 on the
2 Network Additions Policy, does Hydro propose any changes to its proposed Network Additions
3 Policy? More specifically, in Hydro's response to PUB-NLH-085 it is stated that interruptible load
4 is not considered a least cost alternative for supply to Labrador Interconnected Customers. Has
5 Hydro changed its opinion on offering an interruptible rate to new customers on the Labrador
6 Interconnected System?

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9 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") would consider it reasonable to make the
10 following modifications to the Network Additions Policy:

- 11 • The explicit reflection of the provision of betterment (when appropriate), as outlined in
12 Hydro's response to NP-NLH-044;
- 13 • The reduction of the Transmission Expansion Plan from a 25-year period to a 10-year
14 horizon period; and
- 15 • The use of the full project cost instead of the cost of advancement in computing the
16 Expansion Advancement Cost in the circumstance when meeting customer capacity
17 requirements advance transmission system additions to the near-term (5-year) planning
18 period that were not previously identified in the Transmission Expansion Plan.

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20 With respect to the consideration of an interruptible rate, as per Hydro's responses to
21 PUB-NLH-085 and IC-NLH-002, Hydro's Transmission Expansion Plan for the Labrador
22 Interconnected System determined that interruptible load is not considered a reasonable
23 alternative for supply to Labrador Interconnected Customers at this time and that increased
24 investments are required to reliably serve the existing firm load. Hydro's response to IC-NLH-002
25 also includes an explanation of Hydro's plan to review whether it would be reasonable to make
26 an interruptible service option available after the proposed transmission network upgrades are
27 in place.