

1 Q. In Hydro's opinion, should crypto-currency customers be treated as a separate class of
2 customers? What are the benefits of doing so? Is it legal to treat crypto-currency customers
3 differently than other customers under current legislation?
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6 A. For a discussion of whether cryptocurrency customers should be a separate class, please see
7 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's ("Hydro") response to PUB-NLH-096.
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9 Hydro believes it would be discriminatory to implement a network additions policy that would
10 apply charges specifically to cryptocurrency customers that would not apply to other customers
11 being served under similar circumstances. Under current legislation, specifically section 3(a)(i) of
12 the *Electrical Power Control Act, 1994*, Chapter E-5.1, Hydro is prohibited from discriminating
13 between customers based solely on the end use for their purchased energy.