

- 1 Q. Please provide a comparator relative to NP’s maintenance and practices carried out on poles
2 and transmission lines and Hydro’s comparator practices on poles and transmission lines and
3 please provide comparisons of the average life of poles in Hydro’s systems versus those in NP’s
4 system and all available comparative data.
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- 7 A. Newfoundland Power provided its maintenance practices for poles and transmission lines in its
8 response to NLH-NP-001, Attachment B, as well at its technical conference.¹ Newfoundland and
9 Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") provided its practices regarding the Wood Pole Line Management
10 Program in previous annual Capital Budget Applications, in Hydro's response to NP-NLH-037
11 (filed as part of this proceeding), and additional details in the technical conference on the 2020
12 Capital Budget Application.² Hydro does not have sufficient information to be able to provide
13 direct comparisons between Newfoundland Power's maintenance and practices carried out on
14 poles and transmission lines and Hydro’s maintenance and practices. With respect to average
15 service life of poles in Hydro’s system, please refer to Revision 1 of Hydro’s response to NP-NLH-
16 048, filed as part of this proceeding. With respect to average service life of poles in
17 Newfoundland Power’s system, please refer to Newfoundland Power’s response to CA-NP-015
18 filed as part of Newfoundland Power’s “2020 Capital Budget Application.”³

¹ “Transmission Line Rebuild Strategy Overview,” Newfoundland Power, November 14, 2019.

<<http://www.pub.nl.ca/applications/NP2020Capital/report/From%20NP%20-%202020%20CBA%20-%20Technical%20Conference%20-%20Transmission%20Line%20Asset%20Management%20-%20Presentation%20-%202019-11-14.PDF>>

² “2020 Capital Budget Application Technical Conference – Wood Pole Line Management,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, November 20, 2019,

<[http://www.pub.nl.ca/applications/NLH2020Capital/reports/From%20NLH%20-%202020%20CBA%20-%20Technical%20Conference%20-%20Topic%203%20-%20Wood%20Pole%20Line%20Management%20\(WPLM\)%20-%20Presentation%20-%202019-11-20.pdf](http://www.pub.nl.ca/applications/NLH2020Capital/reports/From%20NLH%20-%202020%20CBA%20-%20Technical%20Conference%20-%20Topic%203%20-%20Wood%20Pole%20Line%20Management%20(WPLM)%20-%20Presentation%20-%202019-11-20.pdf)>

³ “CA-NP-015,” Newfoundland Power, November 28, 2019 <<http://www.pub.nl.ca/applications/NP2020Capital/rfi/CA-NP-015.PDF>>