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3 **a) If the cost for Newfoundland Power to construct and operate a charging network**
4 **is greater than that of Hydro, please explain how this proposal is consistent with**
5 **Newfoundland Power's legislative requirement to provide least cost service.**
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7 **b) Further, if the cost for Newfoundland Power to construct and operate a charging**
8 **network is greater than that of the private sector encouraged through**
9 **appropriate incentives, please explain how this proposal is consistent with**
10 **Newfoundland Power's legislative requirement to provide least cost service.**
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12 **A. a) See responses to Requests for Information CA-NP-043 and CA-NP-044.**
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14 **b) Private sector investment in electric vehicle charging infrastructure is currently**
15 **constrained by a weak business case. As a result, it is not reasonable to rely on**
16 **private sector entities to own and operate all charging stations necessary to promote**
17 **electric vehicle adoption at this time. For more information, see response to Request**
18 **for Information CA-NP-046.**