

1 **Q. If the proposed sale should not take place due to the regulator not providing its**  
2 **approval of the sale, how, if at all, could the Company be liable to the purchaser?**  
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4 A. If the Application were denied, Bell Aliant would be effectively denied the right to  
5 repurchase the Joint Use Support Structures as agreed in 2001 as part of the terms of  
6 Newfoundland Power's acquisition of the Bell Aliant Joint Use Support Structures. In  
7 such a circumstance, it is possible that Bell Aliant could seek to hold Newfoundland  
8 Power contractually responsible for any loss it may suffer as a result.  
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10 Please refer to the Responses to Requests for Information PUB-NP-5, PUB-NP-6,  
11 PUB-NP-23, PUB-NP-24 and PUB-NP-26 concerning the potential impact of the Board's  
12 refusal to approve the Application in a timely way.