Re: NLH Evidence, Section 2, page 2.48, section 2.6.3 Q. 1 2 Please describe NLH's role during the construction of the diesel generating plant in Natuashish prior to the relocation of the community to Natuashish in 2002-2003. 3 4 5 6 A. The original understanding between the Federal Government and Hydro prior to 7 relocation of residents to Natuashish was that the diesel plant and associated 8 electrical assets would be built and then turned over to Hydro for a nominal fee of 9 \$1 to own, operate and maintain to provide electrical service to residents of 10 Natuashish. As a result, Hydro was asked to review and comment on engineering 11 plans during and prior to construction of the diesel plant in the community so that 12 the finished plant would be acceptable to Hydro once ownership transfer was 13 completed. Hydro provided engineering comments on the proposed design but was 14 not engaged in a full or part time role to design or build the plant. Comments were 15 provided as a courtesy to the Mushuau Innu First Nation and the Federal

Government in response to their request to review the design to determine if it met

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Hydro minimum standards.