

1 Q. Studies have been conducted in recent years by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro
2 and the province to consider small wind opportunities in some Nunatsiavut
3 communities to reduce long term electricity costs. Are any such small wind projects
4 still under consideration by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro and if not, why not?

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7 A. The Provincial Government provided funding for Newfoundland and Labrador
8 Hydro to study the potential for integrating alternative energy sources such as
9 wind, solar, and small hydroelectric facilities into isolated Labrador communities
10 that rely on diesel generation as a primary source of electricity. Results of the
11 “Preliminary Assessment of Alternative Energy Potential in Coastal Labrador” study
12 were positive and the Provincial Government announced additional funding for
13 more targeted studies on wind and small-scale hydroelectric projects for some of
14 the communities. Wind monitoring data collection will be completed in 2015, with a
15 report on the data to follow. Hydro will give consideration to these studies in
16 developing its generation plans for the region.