Q. Once Labrador and the Island of Newfoundland are interconnected, would it be any more or less fair to serve Labrador interconnected customers and Newfoundland Power customers on a relatively uniform rate than it is to serve Labrador isolated and Island isolated customers at the same rate as Newfoundland Power, as is currently done? Please explain.

A. See Response to NP-PUB-019. Also, it is not clear that Labrador interconnected customers and Newfoundland Power customers have the same distribution costs. Generally, it would be appropriate to serve all customers at rates that reflect the costs of serving those customers, except in situations where the Board determines that social or other equity considerations compel deviations from cost-reflective pricing. Serving Labrador isolated and Island isolated customers at the same rate as Newfoundland Power is such a deviation.