

1 **Q. Please provide an update of the status of the DRI initiative including programs,**
2 **program costs, expected benefits and year of implementation.**

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4 A. The Distribution Reliability Initiative (the “DRI”) is a capital project focused on the
5 reconstruction of Newfoundland Power’s worst performing distribution feeders. The
6 Company files an annual report on the DRI as part of its Capital Budget Application.

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8 The DRI report dated June 2012 reviewed the Company’s worst performing feeders and
9 reported that no work is required under the Distribution Reliability Initiative at this time.

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11 A review of the Company’s worst performing feeders will continue on an annual basis.
12 When these reviews indicate a need to improve the reliability of Newfoundland Power’s
13 distribution feeders, the Company will initiate the necessary upgrades.