

1 **Q. 2013-2014 General Rate Application, Company Evidence**

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3 **What weight does Newfoundland Power consider should be given by the Board in its**
4 **determination of the overall risks of Newfoundland Power to the longer term risks**
5 **of a declining customer base, declining energy sales and single supply dependence?**
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7 A. In this Application, the Board must assess Newfoundland Power's overall risk profile.
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9 In consideration of Newfoundland Power's overall risk, the Board should assess all risk
10 elements (including demographic, growth and single supply dependence) *relative* to other
11 North American utilities.
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13 Newfoundland Power's long term demographics and economic outlook is the weakest in
14 the country. Newfoundland Power's single supply dependency is relatively rare among
15 investor-owned electric utilities.
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17 Please refer to the response to Requests for Information PUB-NP-003 and PUB-NP-027.