

1 Q. Please provide the AC Power System Integration Studies for the Isolated Island
2 option.

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5 A. The report “Island Transmission Outlook” dated December 2010 and filed as Exhibit
6 24 provides a description of the Newfoundland AC transmission system and outlines
7 the near term requirements for load increase. In the context of the Isolated Island
8 option the report provides the following:

- 9 • The 230 kV transmission system east of Bay d’Espoir is thermally
10 constrained with respect to the start of the first oil-fired unit at Holyrood
11 with start of the second and third units at Holyrood based on voltage
12 constraints;
- 13 • Increased generation off the Avalon Peninsula as envisioned by the Isolated
14 Island scenario (i.e. Portland Creek, Island Pond and Round Pond) will
15 require additional transmission capacity between Bay d’Espoir and the
16 Avalon Peninsula load center if the proposed hydroelectric resources are to
17 be efficiently used prior to the start of units at Holyrood; and
- 18 • To this end the report outlines thermal uprating of 230 kV transmission
19 lines TL202 and TL206 between Bay d’Espoir and Sunnyside Terminal
20 Stations, four 230 kV capacitor banks totaling approximately 150 MVAR at
21 Come By Chance Terminal Station for voltage support, a new 230 kV
22 transmission line between Bay d’Espoir and Western Avalon Terminal
23 Stations, and rebuild of 230 kV transmission line TL201 between Western
24 Avalon and Hardwoods Terminal Stations to increase its thermal rating such
25 that the required transmission capacity is in place to effectively deliver the
26 proposed generation additions to the load center in the Isolated Island
27 option.