

1 Q. C-68; Volume I, Tab C: Replace Light-Duty Mobile Equipment – Various Sites:

2 Hydro states that: *“The addition of eight pole trailers for remote communities is*
3 *required for safety reasons.”*

4 Please detail the safety concerns that make it necessary, at this time, to purchase
5 eight additional pole trailers for remote communities for safety reasons.

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8 A. Currently there is no appropriate equipment available to move poles, hence the line
9 crews are using whatever means is available to them in the community such as
10 dragging them with a chain behind a vehicle or using a backhoe to carry them.

11 These are unsafe practices using equipment in a manner for which it was not
12 designed which could lead to injury to the public or employees. These risks can be
13 mitigated through the use of purpose built trailers.