1 Q. **Reference: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro - Long-Term Load Forecast Report**

2   Has the EVA model been calibrated through backcasting EV adoption rates in other Canadian

3   provinces further ahead than NL in transportation electrification?

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6 A. *This response has been provided by Dunsky Energy + Climate Advisors ("Dunsky").*

7   The Electric Vehicle Adoption ("EVA") model has not been calibrated through backcasting

8   electric vehicle adoption rates in other Canadian provinces. Dunsky's EVA model has been

9   developed and refined continually since 2018 through dozens of projects in nine provinces and

10   three states, with each project involving a calibration process that aligns the forecast with

11   region-specific historic adoption levels. This has allowed Dunsky to fine tune how the EVA model

12   captures the impact of various factors that impact adoption and associated policies. While the

13   calibration process for any given project focuses on aligning the forecast with historic adoption

14   in that specific region, the EVA model overall has been developed and refined in a way that

15   incorporates learning from these other jurisdictions.