2 **Diesel Plant** 3 Section 4.1, page 5 of 8, identifies the requirement to implement a control system capable of 4 managing the operation of the interconnected diesel plants. 5 a) Please provide details on how the control system would operate. 6 **b)** Please provide a cost estimate to implement the control system. 7 8 9 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") is unable to provide the requested details as detailed front-end engineering design and cost estimates for Alternative 6 were not developed. 10 11 The alternative was not evaluated in detail as it was ruled out during alternative screening due 12 to not being the least-cost option when compared to the proposed southern Labrador interconnection. As noted in Technical Note RP-TN-051, the additional costs for 13 implementation of the control system were not included in the cost-benefit analysis. The 14 15 difference in net present value between this alternative and Hydro's selected alternative are 16 primarily driven by a reduction in sustaining capital, and operating and maintenance costs 17 associated with the continued operation of multiple diesel plants.

Reference: Technical Note RP-TN-051: Southern Labrador - Interconnection without Regional

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Long-Term Supply for Southern Labrador – Phase 1 - Supplemental Information," Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, March 17, 2022, att. 1.