

1 Q. **Reference: Application**

2 What is Hydro's current plan for adding electric vehicles to its fleet and what are the expected
3 costs over the next five years? How many EV charging stations does Hydro currently own that
4 are exclusively for its own use?

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7 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's ("Hydro") current plan is to incorporate into its fleet two
8 electric vehicles ("EV") in 2022, three EVs in each of 2023 and 2024, and four EVs in each of 2025
9 and 2026. The purchase prices of established EV models have been steadily decreasing annually,
10 while new EV models are being released in new vehicle classes at differing price points than
11 existing models (i.e., pickup trucks); as such, the predicted total cost of purchasing EVs over a
12 five-year period is uncertain at this time. Hydro will continue to evaluate the economics of each
13 EV purchase based on the information available at that time. As noted in Hydro's response to
14 PUB-NLH-011 of this proceeding, as part of its review of its light-duty fleet, Hydro is considering
15 the opportunity for further integration of EVs into its fleet.

16 At the end of 2021, Hydro will have eight level 2 EV chargers located on four of its own sites,
17 intended primarily for use in fleet vehicle charging.