

1 Q. **Reference: 2024 Capital Budget Application (Revision 1), Project 7, Replace VHF Radio System**
2 **(2024-2025).**

3 Please provide the current operating costs associated with Hydro’s existing VHF communications
4 system and the estimated operating costs associated with its Replace VHF Radio System project.

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7 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro’s (“Hydro”) VHF¹ radio system is owned and operated by a
8 third party, to which Hydro pays a monthly service fee. The cost to Hydro is approximately
9 \$460,000 per year. It is estimated the replacement system will result in operating cost of
10 approximately \$250,000 per year.

¹ Very high frequency (“VHF”).