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Reference: Schedule 1 2025 Capital Budget Overview, page 2. Q.

2 Hydro states that the proposals totalling \$135.7 million represent an increase in capital 3 expenditures in 2025. In Hydro's 2024 Capital Budget Overview the forecast for the 2025 capital 4 expenditures was \$97.3 million. This represents an increase of \$38.4 million, or a 39% increase. Please explain why Hydro was unable to maintain the lower budget amount for 2025. 5

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8 Α. In its 2024 Capital Budget Application ("CBA"), Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") 9 incorrectly labelled 2024 forecast expenditures of \$97.3 million as forecast 2025 expenditures in 10 its original submission. This chart was updated as part of revision 1 to Hydro's 2024 CBA. The 11 forecasted expenditures for the 2025 CBA in Hydro's 2024 Capital Budget Overview was 12 \$200 million as shown in the revised Chart 1 from Hydro's 2024 Capital Budget Overview.

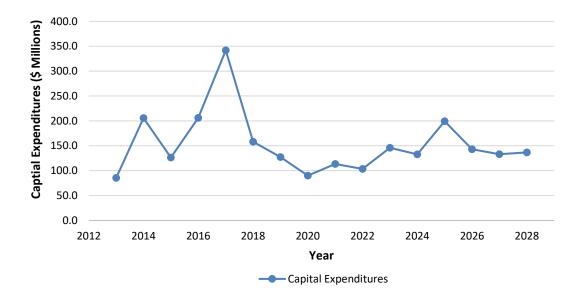


Chart 1: Historical, Budget, and Forecast Capital Budget Expenditure