

1 Q. **Reference: Program 4 Distribution System In-Service Failures, Miscellaneous Upgrades and**
2 **Street Lights (2025), page 7.**

3 Hydro states that the one-time purchase of a capital spare substation transformer will occur in
4 2025 only. With the current long lead times for the manufacturer and delivery of power
5 transformers, is the one-year time frame realistic?

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8 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) have received quotes for the nine MVA¹
9 replacement transformers with 12 to 18-month lead times, which indicates the potential that
10 procurement of the spare transformer will be beyond a single year. The statement referring to
11 “2025 only” refers to the inclusion of this large purchase as a one-time purchase rather than a
12 change in program scope on a go-forward basis. Should delivery of the spare transformer
13 carryover into 2026, Hydro will transfer this portion of the project scope to the subsequent year
14 of this program, as has been Hydro’s approach for carryover within programs.

¹ Megavolt-amperes (“MVA”).