

1 Q. It is understood that the Provincial Government incentive for EV purchases expires in March
2 2022.

3 (a) Please confirm that the analyses relating to the electrification program are based on this
4 assumption.

5 (b) If the Government extends the program for another year under the same terms and
6 conditions, how will that impact the analyses of the electrification program, particularly the
7 baseline scenario?

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10 A. *This Request for Information relates to the Electrification, Conservation and Demand*
11 *Management Plan 2021–2025 (“2021 Plan”) developed in partnership by Newfoundland and*
12 *Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) and Newfoundland Power Inc. (“Newfoundland Power”) (collectively,*
13 *the “Utilities”) and the related Technical Conference presented by the Utilities on February 1,*
14 *2022. Accordingly, the response reflects collaboration between the Utilities.*

15 (a) The provincial government’s EV¹ Adoption Accelerator program was announced
16 subsequent to the development of the 2021 Plan. Therefore, no analyses included in the
17 2021 Plan contemplate the provincial government’s program.

18 (b) Please refer to Hydro’s response to TC-PUB-NLH-004, Attachment 3 for updated
19 information on the provincial government’s EV Adoption Accelerator program.²

20 Please refer to Hydro’s response to TC-PUB-NLH-002, Attachment 1 for letters of support
21 from the provincial government dated March 2022 indicating support of the Utilities’ 2021
22 Plan.

¹ Electric Vehicle (“EV”).

² The provincial government’s EV Adoption Accelerator program was extended in March 2022 to include rebates for fully electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles. It is estimated that approximately 450 vehicles could be rebated under this program from April 2022 to March 2023. Under the baseline scenario, the market potential study completed by Dunsky Energy Consulting forecasts approximately 41,000 EVs in the province by 2034. The EV Adoption Accelerator program could therefore increase baseline projections by approximately 1%.