13 14 Q. (Reference Application) What is the current status of the new customer service system? When can customers expect to start realizing the benefits, and what level of cost savings can customers expect from the new customer service system?

See the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-005 for an update on the implementation of the new Customer Information System ("CIS").

The CIS project was justified on providing service continuity and maintaining current levels of service efficiency. While Newfoundland Power anticipates some efficiencies due to the elimination of manual billing processes and reduced customer call times, these efficiencies will be offset by new system support requirements. As such, the Company does not anticipate any overall operational cost savings as a result of implementing the CIS.