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- Q. (Reference Application) With respect to the General Service Rate 2.4 customer class:
  - a) Currently, how many customers does Newfoundland Power serve in the General Service Rate 2.4 class, what is the total annual capacity and energy used by the class, and what is the average annual capacity and energy use per customer in that class?
  - b) Currently, excepting Memorial University from the Rate 2.4 customer class, what is the total annual capacity and energy used by the class and what is the average capacity and energy use per customer in the class?
  - c) In this class, how much of the total annual capacity and energy use is attributed to Memorial University?
  - d) Is Memorial University considered to be an average user in the Rate 2.4 customer class? If not, why not?
  - e) What criteria are used to classify a customer as a General Service Rate 2.4 customer and explain how Memorial University fits those criteria?
- A. a) As of July 31, 2023, Newfoundland Power serves 61 customers in the General Service Rate #2.4 rate class.<sup>1</sup> The annual demand and energy for General Service Rate #2.4 in 2022 was 83.7 MVA and 391.4 GWh, respectively.<sup>2</sup> The average annual demand and energy were 1.4 MVA and 6.6 GWh, respectively.<sup>3</sup>
  - b) Excluding Memorial University, the total annual demand and energy for General Service Rate #2.4 in 2022 was 66.6 MVA and 289.2 GWh, respectively.<sup>4</sup> The average annual demand and energy were 1.1 MVA and 5.0 GWh, respectively.
  - c) Memorial University comprises 21% of the annual demand and 26% of the annual energy use of the General Service Rate #2.4 rate class.<sup>5</sup>
  - d) Memorial University has the largest levels of demand and energy of the customers in the General Service Rate #2.4 class. For that reason, it would not be considered an average General Service Rate #2.4 customer.
  - e) A customer is classified as a General Service Rate #2.4 customer if its maximum demand in any 12-month period exceeds 1,000 kVA. Per Newfoundland Power's *Schedule of Rates, Rules & Regulations* (Effective July 1, 2023), Memorial University is billed as a General Service Rate #2.4 customer on this basis.<sup>6</sup>

As of December 31, 2022, there were 59 customers in Rate #2.4. Customers may move between General Service Rate #2.3 and #2.4 depending on their maximum demand.

The maximum annual demand of General Service Rate #2.4 in 2022 occurred in July.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Customers achieve their individual maximum demands at various times, which may not be coincident with Newfoundland Power's system peak or the overall peak for the General Service Rate #2.4 class.

The maximum annual demand of General Service Rate #2.4 in 2022, excluding Memorial University, occurred in December. Memorial University's maximum annual demand for 2022 was 19.5 MVA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Memorial University's maximum demand in July 2022 was 17.5 MVA (17.5 MVA / 83.7 MVA = 0.209).

Memorial University has been a General Service Rate #2.4 customer since the rate class was established in 1987. See Order No. P.U. 17 (1987).