Distribution

Q. Reference: "2024 Capital Budget Application," Newfoundland Power Inc., June 22, 2023, sch. B, Rebuild Distribution Lines, pp. 33–37.

As per the Rebuild Distribution Lines program contained within Newfoundland Power's "2023 Capital Budget Application," distribution feeder BUC-01 was identified to undergo inspection in 2022, with planned preventative maintenance in 2023. Please explain why this feeder is listed as one of the 47 distribution feeders to undergo inspection in 2023 with planned preventative maintenance in 2024.

A. The Company originally intended to inspect distribution feeder BUC-01 in 2022 with planned preventative maintenance in 2023 as part of the Newfoundland Power *2023 Capital Budget Application*. However, the inspection did not take place in 2022, resulting in the inspection now taking place in 2023 with planned preventative maintenance in 2024 as part of the Newfoundland Power *2024 Capital Budget Application*.¹

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Feeder lengths and locations vary throughout the Company's service territory. As a result, the time it takes to inspect a particular feeder can also vary. In the case of distribution feeder BUC-01, operational requirements and priorities in 2022 resulted in the inspection being delayed to 2023.