

2025-2029 Capital Plan

Q. Page 19. Newfoundland Power states that from 2025 to 2029 it intends to execute rebuild projects on eight transmission lines at an annual average cost of approximately \$12.5 million.

a) Do any of the eight contemplated projects involve bog and similar terrain to that encountered in Scope 1 of the Transmission Line 94L Rebuild?

b) If so, does the 2025-2029 estimated average annual cost of \$12.5 million reflect the additional contractor costs (if any) related to the terrain covered in Scope 1 encountered in the Transmission Line 94L Rebuild?

c) Does the 2025-2029 estimated average annual cost of \$12.5 million reflect the additional contractor costs (if any) not related to the terrain conditions encountered in the Transmission Line 94L Rebuild?

A. a) Yes, Newfoundland Power anticipates that four of the contemplated projects included in the *2025-2029 Capital Plan*, 100L, 109L, 95L and 48L, will involve bog and similar terrain conditions to those encountered in Scope 1 of the *Transmission Line 94L Rebuild* project.

b) Yes, the estimated costs provided for the four projects referenced in part a) of this response align with the costs seen on Scope 1 of the *Transmission Line 94L Rebuild* project and reflect the additional contractor costs related to the terrain encountered on that project. The estimates included for future projects in the *2025-2029 Capital Plan* are high level budgetary estimates that will be reviewed and refined prior to filing for approval with the Board as part of a future capital budget application.

c) Yes, the cost estimates included for the transmission rebuild projects included in *2025-2029 Capital Plan* reflect the increased contractor costs experienced on the *Transmission Line 94L Rebuild* project that were not related to the bog and terrain related issues. As previously stated, the estimates included for future projects in the *2025-2029 Capital Plan* are high level budgetary estimates that will be reviewed and refined prior to filing for approval with the Board as part of a future capital budget application.