Q. Reference: Fair and Non-discriminatory Rates

- a) Does requiring a customer to pay for connection facilities that benefit only that customer violate long-standing regulatory principles that rates be fair and non-discriminatory?
- **b)** Does not requiring a customer to pay for connection facilities that benefit only that customer violate long-standing regulatory principles that rates be fair and non-discriminatory?

A. The questions above request opinions from Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") on the application of regulatory principles in the abstract without providing context relevant to Newfoundland Power Inc.'s application. Hydro believes it is not appropriate for it to submit a position at this time. If Hydro determines that there are circumstances wherein it would be appropriate or necessary for Hydro to submit a position on these issues, Hydro would consider doing so in its final submission.