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Q. (Section 5, page 5-7) Does a cost of service study approved by the Board necessarily mean that all parties participating in a GRA are in agreement with all elements of the cost of service study? Did Newfoundland Power agree with every aspect of the cost of service study approved by the Board at Hydro's last GRA?

A. No, the Board is not required to accept the submissions of all intervenors when issuing orders.

In 2018, intervenors including Newfoundland Power and the Consumer Advocate executed a *Settlement Agreement* and a *Supplemental Settlement Agreement* in relation to Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's ("Hydro") *2017 General Rate Application*. <sup>1</sup> In its submission on Hydro's *2017 General Rate Application*, Newfoundland Power submitted that the Board should approve the settled cost of service methodologies and did not object to any matters related to Hydro's cost of service study that were not included in the agreements.<sup>2</sup>

See the April 11, 2018 Settlement Agreement and the July 16, 2018 Supplemental Settlement Agreement which were filed in relation to Hydro's 2017 General Rate Application.

See Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro 2017 General Rate Application – Written Submissions of Newfoundland Power, February 1, 2019.