

1 **Q. Please provide a detailed scope of the pole count survey setting out the information**  
2 **which will be gathered from the completed survey.**

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4 A. The 2001 JUFPA made provision for a pole count survey to confirm the number of Joint  
5 Use Support Structures, upon its renewal or termination in 2010. Such a provision was  
6 reasonable given the inherent imprecision associated with tracking Joint Use Support  
7 Structures and attachments to them. The pole count survey will not alter any of the  
8 fundamental cost sharing and operational arrangements agreed between Newfoundland  
9 Power and Bell Aliant.

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11 The proposed sale contemplates a division of the Joint Use Support Structures between  
12 Newfoundland Power and Bell Aliant based on certain identified characteristics in order  
13 to achieve an equitable split of the Joint Use Support Structures. These characteristics  
14 include physical characteristics, geographic location and attachments. The pole count  
15 survey will confirm the field information required for determination of the specific  
16 Support Structures to be transferred to Bell Aliant.

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18 The pole count survey will include all Support Structures. An independent contractor  
19 will carry out the survey using handheld electronic devices to confirm specific  
20 information on Support Structures.

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22 The following specific field information will be recorded for each Support Structure:

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- Newfoundland Power's pole number,
  - type of pole (mainline, service, overhead guy),
  - pole height,
  - pole age,
  - presence of anchors,
  - community name,
  - GPS coordinates,
  - whether front or rear lot location,
  - presence of Bell Aliant attachments, and
  - presence of all third party attachments.
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