

1 Q. Describe Hydro's subtransmission system planning policy and criterion and process.
2 Include in the response the numbers and titles of personnel involved with the
3 transmission planning process.

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6 A. Hydro's transmission system includes high voltage electrical equipment with a
7 voltage rating equal to or greater than 66 kV. Hydro's distribution systems include
8 electrical equipment with a voltage rating less than or equal to 46 kV. As a result,
9 Hydro does not utilize the category of "subtransmission" common to many utilities
10 in North America. Planning policy, criterion and process for voltage levels equal to
11 or greater than 66 kV are under the transmission planning scope of work. Planning
12 policy, criterion and process for voltage levels equal to or less than 46 kV are under
13 the distribution planning scope of work. There are no operating voltages between
14 46 kV and 66 kV on the Island or Labrador Interconnected Systems.

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16 For rate setting purposes, the application of the term "subtransmission" was
17 ordered by the Board as a means of functionalizing transmission assets that serve
18 only Hydro Rural Customers for the purposes of plant assignment in cost of service
19 applications before the Board.