

1 Q. **Reference: Reliability and Resource Adequacy Study – 2022 Update, Volume I: Study**
2 **Methodology and Planning Criteria, October 3, 2022, page 5, lines 17-19.**

3 Furthermore, the proposed Clean Electricity Standard has brought into question
4 resource options that would traditionally have been recommended but are now
5 uncertain as a future resource option (e.g., fossil fuel-burning combustion
6 turbines).

7 Has Hydro discussed the proposed Clean Electricity Regulations (formerly know as the Clean
8 Electricity Standard) with Environment and Climate Change Canada including whether the
9 proposed regulations would impede Hydro’s ability to construct combustion turbines that may
10 be necessary to ensure reliable service to customers on the Island Interconnected System? If so,
11 please provide details of those discussions. If not, why not?

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14 A. The regulations associated with the Clean Electricity Standard are in the early stages of
15 development. Therefore, as it relates to the ability to make a definitive decision on how such
16 regulations will affect long-term supply in this province at this time, Newfoundland and
17 Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) has not discussed the proposed Clean Electricity Regulations with
18 Environment and Climate Change Canada.

19 To date, Hydro has been monitoring the Environment and Climate Change Canada updates on
20 the deliberation of the regulations and communications as are provided to relevant parties,
21 which includes Hydro. This includes review of any documentation released (as per the
22 attachments provided in Hydro’s response to PUB-NLH-231 of this proceeding) to understand
23 potential implications.

24 Hydro continues to monitor the process and has a designated contact within Hydro who will
25 ensure there is active engagement in the process as necessary.