

1 Q. **Reference: Response to Request for Information NP-NLH-050**

2 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) has not performed a review of its
3 transmission system in accordance with TPL-001-4 and therefore does not have
4 a listing of extreme events. Such a review would require a comprehensive
5 network study that Hydro would perform if it were seeking full compliance with
6 Northeast Power Coordinating Council (“NPCC”) standards. Hydro is not seeking
7 full compliance with NPCC standards at this time.

8 Please explain the advantages and disadvantages of full compliance with NPCC standards,
9 including whether full compliance would allow for greater access to generating capacity in
10 neighbouring jurisdictions during emergencies such as a LIL bipole outage.

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13 A. Compliance with NPCC¹ standards does not impact access to generating capability in
14 neighbouring jurisdictions. Rather, operating and contractual agreements with neighbouring
15 jurisdictions are the mechanisms for such arrangements.

16 Compliance with NPCC standards would pertain only to aligning Newfoundland and Labrador
17 Hydro’s (“Hydro”) reliability standards with those used elsewhere in North America as a
18 regulated basis for its planning and operating practices. The advantages and disadvantages of
19 compliance would require a detailed assessment of reliability and cost implications, as per
20 Hydro’s response to NP-NLH-080 of this proceeding.

¹ Northeast Power Coordinating Council (“NPCC”).