

1 Q. Provide the reasons for the selection of 2027 as a single test year in the 2026 General Rate
2 Application.

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5 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") originally anticipated including both a 2026 and
6 2027 Test Year in its 2026 General Rate Application ("GRA"). However, Hydro's GRA filing was
7 delayed in order to complete other regulatory applications that had been filed in the interest of
8 regulatory efficiency and to streamline the GRA process, such as Hydro's Cost of Service
9 Methodology Application.

10 As a result of the delay in filing the 2026 GRA, a 2026 Test Year was no longer practical given the
11 timing of the GRA filing and the expected regulatory review process. Hydro also considered use
12 of a 2028 Test Year; however, a 2028 forecast had not been developed as part of the GRA
13 preparation process. Developing a 2028 Test Year would have required significant additional
14 time and resources and would have further delayed the filing of the GRA.

15 Accordingly, Hydro determined that filing a single 2027 Test Year was the most practical and
16 efficient approach, allowing Hydro to advance the GRA without further delay while providing a
17 representative forecast test year for consideration by the Board of Commissioners of Public
18 Utilities.