

1 Q. Hydro, by another Application presently before the Board, is seeking approval for supplemental
2 capital expenditures to maintain the Holyrood HRD as capable of reliable and safe operation to
3 end baseload production, which Hydro apparently anticipates will be to at least March 2022.
4 Has Hydro prepared or obtained any estimates or projections of its Holyrood HRD generation
5 fuel costs for the year 2021, if there is not substantial displacement of Holyrood generation by
6 Muskrat Falls power or other Off-Island power purchases in 2021? If not, by when will Hydro
7 prepare or obtain such estimates or projections?
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10 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) estimates that production at its Holyrood Thermal
11 Generating Station (“Holyrood TGS”) in 2021 will be materially influenced by the progress on the
12 Muskrat Falls Project during the remainder of 2020. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in
13 increased uncertainty with respect to the timing of energy deliveries to the island from the
14 Muskrat Falls Project. As a result, Hydro is currently uncertain on the amount of Holyrood TGS
15 production required in 2021. Hydro’s focus, as demonstrated by its supplemental application
16 presently before the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities as referenced above, is to ensure
17 the Holyrood TGS is capable of operating at full capacity until its scheduled retirement in March
18 2022.