

1 Q. **Reference: Life Extension Application, Schedule 1, Attachment 1, Basis of Estimate, page 16 of**
2 **225.**

3 “The estimate for Emergency Response is based on an estimate developed for the BDE Unit 8
4 project, with 1 ambulance, 2 paramedics, 1 fire truck, and 5 dedicated firefighters. The cost is
5 shared across the projects at the Bay d'Espoir Facility, with the cost for BDE Unit 7 prorated
6 based on BDE Unit 7 duration and construction crew size.”

7 a) Are the Emergency Response services on site at Bay d'Espoir under normal operations?

8 b) Explain how the provision of Emergency Response services is considered a capital cost
9 and not an operating cost.

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12 A. a) The additional Emergency Response services identified in the Basis of Estimate are not on-
13 site during normal operations; however, if the project is approved, the services will be
14 required due to the magnitude of work on-site.

15 If approved, the Bay d'Espoir Unit 7 and Unit 8 projects will increase the number of
16 personnel on site well beyond what Newfoundland and Labrador (“Hydro”) would have on
17 site during normal operations. During stakeholder engagement activities for Bay d'Espoir
18 Unit 8 in March 2025, town officials and some residents expressed concern about the
19 potential for local medical and emergency response personnel and resources to be strained
20 by the substantial increase in industrial/construction activity and the associated
21 construction workforce, particularly should an accident occur on site. Stakeholders
22 questioned how this could impact community volunteer fire departments and the local
23 medical clinic. As a result of receiving this input during early-stage communication and
24 engagement with the towns, Hydro plans to be “self-sufficient” in its emergency response
25 and has accounted for this in project budgets.

1 **b)** The provision of Emergency Response services during the execution of major projects at the
2 Bay d’Espoir Facility is considered incremental to the execution of these major projects, as
3 supported by Hydro’s response to part a) of this response and would not otherwise have
4 been incurred under normal operations of the Bay d’Espoir Plant. As a result, Emergency
5 Response services are considered costs directly attributable to the Bay d’Espoir Unit 7 and
6 Bay d’Espoir Unit 8 capital projects and qualify for capitalization under International
7 Financial Reporting Standards.