

1 Q. **Reference: Application, Capital Programs and Projects, Widen Right of Way (2026–2028) –**
2 **Gros Morne National Park, Attachment 1**

3 It is stated (page 18-112) *“In April 2024, both First Nations were provided the opportunity to*
4 *review and provide feedback on the project. In May 2024, the draft DIA was provided for review*
5 *and comment, with no comments received to date.”* Does Hydro interpret this to mean that both
6 First Nations accept the project without limitations? Was a deadline given to both First Nations
7 to provide comments?

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10 A. Parks Canada initiated the Detailed Impact Assessment (“DIA”) for this project and shared the
11 draft DIA report with the Miawpukek and Qalipu First Nations in May 2024, after initiating
12 discussions with them in November 2023. Newfoundland Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) does not
13 have the information regarding whether a deadline was given to the First Nations groups for
14 comments. Hydro notes that public comments were invited from June 18, 2024 to
15 July 18, 2024.¹ After completing the DIA, Parks Canada issued a notice of determination noting
16 that the proposed project is not likely to cause significant adverse effects.²

¹ Government of Canada, “Newfoundland Labrador Hydro Line Modifications in Gros Morne Nation Park – Public comments invited from June 18, 2024 to July 18, 2024,” June 18, 2024. <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/157725>.

² Government of Canada, “Parks Canada has issued a notice of determination and decided that the project is not likely to cause significant adverse environment effects,” September 3, 2024. <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/158842>.