

1    Q.    **Reference: Schedule 7: Capital Programs and Projects, Program 9: Perform Facilities**  
2           **Refurbishments (2026)**

3           How does this program compare to Newfoundland Power's approach to the refurbishment of its  
4           facilities?

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7    A.    In preparing its Perform Facilities Refurbishments (2026) Program, Newfoundland and Labrador  
8           Hydro ("Hydro") reviewed Newfoundland Power Inc.'s ("Newfoundland Power") approach for  
9           addressing deteriorated properties. Historically, Hydro has submitted either individual projects  
10          for particular assets or programs for sustaining work related to its facility assets in its capital  
11          budget application ("CBA"), which aligns with the approach taken by Newfoundland Power.

12          In its 2026 CBA,<sup>1</sup> Newfoundland Power has proposed approximately \$2,427,000 in projects and  
13          programs to refurbish its facility assets.<sup>2</sup> These proposals included:

- 14           • Additions to Real Property (\$714,000);
- 15           • Building Accessibility Improvements (\$490,000);
- 16           • Physical Security Upgrades (\$506,000); and
- 17           • Summerford Building Replacement (\$717,000 in total, with \$155,000 in capital  
18           expenditures in 2025).

19          For comparison purposes, Newfoundland Power's Additions to Real Property and Building  
20          Accessibility Improvements proposals are similar in nature to Hydro's proposed stand-alone  
21          Modify Office Buildings and Procure Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (2026) program and  
22          Perform Accessibility Upgrades (2027) Program, respectively.

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<sup>1</sup> "2026 Capital Budget Application," Newfoundland Power Inc., June 27, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> In addition, its Greenspond Substation Refurbishment and Modernization (\$2,952,000 in total, with \$374,000 in 2026) and Lewisporte-Boyd's Cove 138 kV Conversion (\$8,119,000 in total, with \$568,000 in 2026) projects each included the construction of a new control building.

1 Newfoundland Power's Physical Security Upgrades and Summerford Building Replacement  
2 proposals were intended to restore the facilities' condition, ensure adherence to regulatory  
3 requirements, and extend their service life, and each carries an estimated value of less than the  
4 legislative threshold of \$750,000. Hydro would expect to categorize projects meeting these  
5 requirements within its Perform Facilities Refurbishments Program. It is Hydro's opinion that  
6 combining refurbishment projects meeting these criteria into the Perform Facilities  
7 Refurbishments Program provides a more focused, transparent presentation of Hydro's  
8 sustaining efforts for facilities assets, reducing the segmented view of the expenditures and  
9 allowing the opportunity to increase regulatory efficiency.