

1 **Q. Reference: NP-NLH-028, Issue Topic: Capital Planning.**

2 Please provide Chart 2-16 which also includes a historical trend line for capital expenditures,
3 excluding major projects.

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6 **A.** Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's ("Hydro") response to NP-NLH-028 of this proceeding
7 indicated that Major Projects expenditures included within the green portions of the columns
8 included Bay d'Espoir Penstock 1, Avalon Combustion Turbine ("CT"), and Bay d'Espoir Unit 8.

9 In addition, as outlined in Hydro's response to NP-NLH-001 of the 2026 Capital Budget
10 Application proceeding, there were three projects with expenditures during the period 2015–
11 2019 that Hydro would have considered to be Major Projects on the basis that their individual
12 total budgets were greater than \$50 million, including:¹

- 13 • Purchase and Installation of 100 MW CT – Holyrood (\$119.0 million);²
- 14 • Labrador West Transmission Project – Construction Phase (\$329.6 million);³ and
- 15 • Transmission Line 267 – Bay d'Espoir to Western Avalon (\$291.7 million).⁴

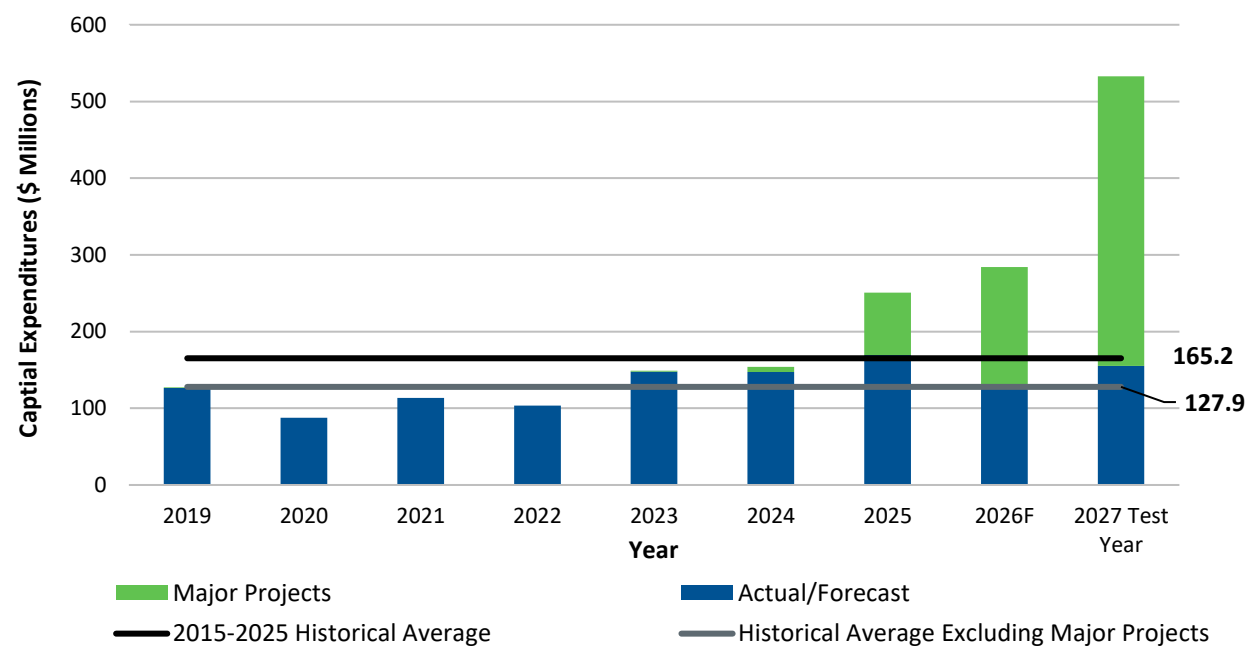
16 Therefore, Chart 2-16: Historical, Actual and Forecasted Regulated Capital Expenditures has
17 been updated to incorporate Hydro's average expenditures during the period 2015–2025,
18 excluding the Major Projects expenditures cited above.

¹ In addition to the projects listed, there was a multi-year program (2016–2020, which carried over to 2021) to replace circuit breakers with a budget exceeding \$50 million. That program is not considered to be a Major Project as it was a collection of smaller scopes of work at various locations.

² As approved in Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities ("Board") Order No. P.U. 16(2014). This project commenced in 2014 and was completed in 2015.

³ The construction of a transmission line was approved by the provincial government on February 2, 2014 (OC2014-033), to help supply power for planned new development in Labrador West, such as the Kami Iron Ore Project, and improve reliability for all customers in the region. Project costs up to September 2017 included in the work in progress account, but excluded from average rate base, were \$12.4 million.

⁴ As approved in Board Order No. P.U. 53(2014). This project commenced in 2014 and was completed in 2019 with minimal expenditures that year.



Updated Chart 2-16: Historical, Actual and Forecasted Regulated Capital Expenditures (\$ Millions)