

1 **Q. Reference: Response to PUB-NLH-117**

2 With respect to SCADA Network Upgrades, provide examples where Hydro is currently
3 implementing solutions that involve remote operation of downstream devices that have
4 resulted in improved service restoration.

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7 **A.** Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) currently has three existing downstream reclosers
8 which are installed within the feeders. Two are located on Change Islands (Farewell Head),
9 which are isolated by ferry. These were connected in 2008 due to the difficulty in reaching the
10 location during storm events to perform restorations. The other was installed last year in
11 L’Anse-au-Loup as a part of the Worst Performing Feeders project. Additional downstream
12 reclosers are planned for Wiltondale¹ and Ramea.² Proposed in Hydro’s 2027 Capital Budget
13 Application, but not yet implemented, are Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition connections
14 for downstream reclosers including Upper Salmon.³

¹ Upgrade Distribution System 2026–2027 project as approved in Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (“Board”) Order No. P.U. 2(2026).

² As approved in Board Order No. P.U. 9(2025).

³ Upper Salmon will be executed under the Distribution In-Service Failures program to avail of a fiber install under the Replace Radio Link (2026–2027) project.