

1 Q. (Reference 2017 GRA Volume I, page 1.6) It is stated (lines 8 to 14) that proposed
2 interim customer rate impacts are 9.7% for Newfoundland Power and 6.2% for
3 Island Industrial Customers. Is Hydro concerned about the significantly higher rate
4 increases proposed for Newfoundland Power than other customer classes? What
5 options has Hydro considered in an effort to mitigate the rate impacts on
6 Newfoundland Power and its customers?
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9 A. While the proposed wholesale rate increase for Newfoundland Power is 9.7%, the
10 projected retail customer rate increase is 6.6%. This compares to the proposed 6.2%
11 increase for Island Industrial Customers. Please refer to Table 5-2 on page 5.16,
12 Revision 1. Rate mitigation is normally considered when the projected customer
13 rate increases exceed 10%.