

1 Q. **Re: May 18, 2018 Application regarding Confidential Information contained in**
2 **Table 2 of Hydro’s Response to PUB-NLH-149**

3 In clause 4 Hydro states *“Maintaining competition amongst energy suppliers is*
4 *essential in order to achieve the lowest energy costs for Hydro’s customers.*
5 *Disclosure of trading strategies and experiences would have the effect of impairing*
6 *or removing competitive pricing, thereby potentially increasing ratepayer costs.”*

7 Please confirm that the sole basis for this application for confidentiality relates to
8 the need to maintain competition among suppliers to ensure that Hydro’s Island
9 customers receive the lowest cost for electricity purchases.

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12 A. It is confirmed.