

1 Q. Further to responses to Requests for Information NP-NLH-145 and
2 NP-NLH-148:

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4 Of all replacement projects for poles, what percentage will have removal costs for
5 the existing pole charged to the installation cost of the new pole?

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8 A. Primarily all removal costs associated with pole replacements will be operating
9 costs as there are very rare circumstances that would allow Hydro to install a new
10 pole in the exact same location as the old pole. Therefore, given these limitations, it
11 would be a minimal percentage of projects that would have removal costs charged
12 to the capital project and capitalized as part of the cost of the replacement pole.
13 Please refer to Hydro's response to IC-NLH-160 for further information.