1 Q. Reference: Labrador Interconnected System Network Additions Policy, Summary Report, 2 Section 2.3. 3 How were the demand thresholds of 200 kW and 1500 kW determined? In the response, 4 please indicate why these thresholds are preferable to the thresholds of 100 kW and 1000 5 6 kW used to determine the availability of Rates 2.3L and 2.4L. 7 8 9 Α. Using 200 kW as a threshold will be practical to administer as Newfoundland and Labrador 10 Hydro ("Hydro") would not expect a large number of new customers requesting greater than 200 kW. Hydro believes this approach is reasonable given the proposed policy will 11 12 impact a small percentage of new customers and will only charge contributions to the customers that are materially contributing to load growth on the Labrador Interconnected 13 14 System. A reduction in the proposed threshold from 200 kW to 100 kW will increase the 15 required number of customer contributions (approximately double based on the existing 16 customer distribution) and increase the policy related administrative costs in dealing with 17 lower load customers that will not be the primary drivers of future transmission 18 investments. Hydro believes the proposed approach provides the largest return with 19 limited customer impact. 20 21 Hydro was also cognizant of the potential impact on economic development within the 22 region and believes the 200 kW threshold would not negatively impact small business 23 development in the area. 24 25 The explanation of the use of the 1500 kW threshold is provided in Hydro's response to 26 PUB-NLH-057.

¹ Approximately 95 of the 1,400 existing General Service customers on the Labrador Interconnected System have demand requirements in excess of 200 kW (i.e., 7%).