

1 **Q. At section 3.2 the Applicant references Dunsky modelling for the adoption of**  
2 **electric vehicles in this province and various models of growth for EVs.**  
3 **(a) Please inform if vehicle dealerships in the province agree with the number**  
4 **of vehicles Dunsky anticipates for each of 2025 to 2035 in reference to the**  
5 **availability of manufacturing of electric vehicles generally.**  
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7 A. (a) Newfoundland Power does not have information on the views of vehicle dealerships  
8 in the province with respect to the forecast of Dunsky Energy + Climate Advisors  
9 (“Dunsky”) regarding EV adoption in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.  
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11 Many vehicle manufacturers are committed to enhancing the availability of EVs, with  
12 more models becoming available annually. Some manufacturers, such as General  
13 Motors, have already committed to discontinuing the sale of internal combustion  
14 vehicles.<sup>1</sup>  
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16 There have been a variety of investments made in Canada to enhance the  
17 manufacturing of EVs. Recent Federal Government investments through its  
18 \$8 billion Net Zero Accelerator fund are designed to enhance the EV supply chain.<sup>2</sup>  
19 Investments include \$131.6 million for Honda Canada’s hybrid-electric vehicle  
20 manufacturing operations in Ontario, \$259 million for General Motors of Canada to  
21 advance the electrification of Canada’s automotive sector, and up to \$529 million for  
22 Stellantis to increase its production of EVs.<sup>3</sup> Volkswagen, Mercedes-Benz and the  
23 Federal Government have announced memoranda of understanding to deepen  
24 cooperation on EVs and critical minerals supply chains.<sup>4</sup> The Government of Canada  
25 and the Government of Quebec have also invested amounts totalling nearly  
26 \$100 million for Lion Electric to establish an automated battery-pack assembly plant  
27 in Saint-Jérôme.<sup>5</sup> Additionally, Belgium-based Umicore has announced a \$1.5 billion  
28 investment in an EV battery facility in Ontario.<sup>6</sup>

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1 See General Motors, [www.gm.com](http://www.gm.com), “*Our Path to an All-Electric Future*,” accessed June 2023.

2 See Government of Canada, [www.budget.canada.ca](http://www.budget.canada.ca), “*Jobs, Growth and an Economy that Works for Everyone*,” accessed June 2023.

3 Ibid.

4 Ibid.

5 See Prime Minister of Canada press release, “*Major investments by Canada and Quebec in electric vehicle battery assembly*,” dated March 15, 2021.

6 See Prime Minister of Canada press release, “*Delivering good jobs and clean air with a new electric vehicle battery components facility in Ontario*,” dated July 13, 2022.