

1 Q. **Reference: BKL-NLH-026(d)**

2 With respect to your response to BKL-NLH-026(d), if not previously answered, please provide a
3 comparison of the lower annual bills to Manitoba SEP customers compared to service under the
4 respective General Service Firm rate in the period from January 1, 2020, to May 15, 2023.

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7 A. The reference regarding lower annual bills for Manitoba's Surplus Energy Program ("SEP")
8 customers originates from Manitoba Hydro's¹ annual Surplus Energy Report to the Public
9 Utilities Board, dated November 1, 2020 – October 31, 2021.² However, within the confines of
10 this report, no explicit data is provided that directly compares the costs experienced by SEP
11 customers to those serviced under the respective General Service firm rate.

12 Although Manitoba Hydro provides a substantial amount of information on their Surplus rates,
13 such as a listing of the weekly SEP Rates from 2017 to 2023,³ there is insufficient data available
14 to do a comparison of customer bills between the SEP customers and those under the General
15 Service firm rate. Without the energy consumption on the customer bills, and which SEP rates
16 (shoulder, peak, off peak) the customer took advantage of, a comparison of customer bills
17 cannot be provided by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro"). Please refer to Hydro's
18 response to BLK-NLH-079 of this proceeding for a comparison of Surplus rates and General
19 Service firm rates from 2020 to 2022.

¹ The Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board ("Manitoba Hydro").

² "2023/24 & 2024/25 General Rate Application," The Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board, December 21, 2022, app. 8.18.

<https://www.hydro.mb.ca/docs/regulatory_affairs/pdf/electric/gra_2023_2025/08-18_surplus_energy_annual_reports.pdf>

³ The Manitoba Public Utilities Board, "Electricity Board Orders 2022,"

<<http://www.pubmanitoba.ca/v1/proceedings-decisions/orders/electricity-22.html>>.