Reference: Application 1 Q. 2 Regarding the Energy Access Agreement with Emera and Nova Scotia Power, when will be the first year for bidding into the Nova Scotia system? In order to deliver energy under that 3 4 agreement, if the LIL is not fully functional over the next few years (e.g., operating at 60% of intended), does Hydro anticipate that Holyrood might have to be relied upon to ensure delivery 5 6 or meet island needs? Or is the obligation to deliver contingent on the LIL being fully operational? 7 8 9 10 A. Bidding for the first year under the Energy Access Agreement ("Agreement") is already complete 11 and the first contract year commenced on September 1, 2022. 12 Energy delivered under this Agreement is non-firm until is it scheduled on a day-ahead basis. 13 Under such an arrangement, Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") would have flexibility in terms of the planning and scheduling of energy deliveries and would therefore be able to 14 15 avoid circumstances where incremental operation of the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station ("Holyrood TGS") would be required. Hydro, therefore, does not anticipate any incremental 16 17 production at the Holyrood TGS as a result of this Agreement.