1 Q. Reference: NP-NLH-011

Further to the response to NP-NLH-011, please explain the basis for the statement that the performance requirements for the proposed powerline carrier replacement project are based on industry practice.

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A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's ("Hydro") internal latency performance requirements¹ are developed using industry standards, such as IEC 60834-1.² Industry standards must be followed for proper operation of teleprotection systems; this ensures that faults are cleared within the required amount of time, resulting in minimal equipment damage and/or loss of system stability.

¹ Hydro's latency performance requirements refer to the amount of time it takes for a teleprotection signal to travel from one station to another.

² IEC 60834-1:1999, Teleprotection equipment of power systems - Performance and testing - Part 1: Command systems, International Electrotechnical Commission.