

1 **Q. (Reference CA-NP-008) Is Newfoundland Power familiar with capital budget**
2 **prioritization practices of other Canadian utilities; i.e., NL Hydro? Is Newfoundland**
3 **Power familiar with any requirements of other regulators that capital budgets be**
4 **prioritized?**
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6 A. Newfoundland Power has not undertaken a review of capital budget prioritization
7 requirements in other jurisdictions.¹ The Company is generally familiar with the capital
8 budget prioritization practices of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

¹ The issue of prioritization of individual capital projects is currently before the Board as part of the *Capital Budget Application Guidelines Review*. In response to Request for Information NP-PUB-058 filed as part of that proceeding, Midgard Consulting Inc. indicated that it did not specifically inquire about the prioritization of capital expenditures as part of its jurisdictional scan. It was therefore not confirmed which jurisdictions may require regulated utilities to provide a prioritized list of capital expenditures.