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- Q. (Reference Application, Feeder Additions for Load Growth, pages 5 and 6) 1 2 Please provide the detailed lifetime analysis showing that the \$375,000 3 upgrade alternative for feeder APT-02 is lowest cost relative to the \$397,000 4 battery storage alternative. Please identify all assumptions including the 5 value of capacity provided by the battery storage alternative and the 6 replacement cost of the battery storage facility following its initial 15-year 7 life. 8
- A. Newfoundland Power did not conduct a detailed life-cycle analysis comparing the APT-02 feeder upgrade alternative to the battery storage alternative. Since (i) the capital cost of the feeder upgrade alternative was less than the capital cost of the battery storage alternative; and (ii) the battery storage facility would have to be replaced every 15 years, a detailed life-cycle analysis was not required.

15 With respect to the value of capacity provided by the battery storage facility during its 16 initial 15-year life, the latest marginal costs provided by Newfoundland and Labrador 17 Hydro indicate maximum on-peak capacity costs of approximately \$198 per MWh in 2040. As a result, the capacity provided by the 691 kWh battery storage system that 18 19 could effectively offload APT-02 would have a maximum value of approximately \$137 per peak-shedding event. Including this cost in a life cycle analysis would not impact the 20 21 results of the study and, therefore, upgrading the overloaded two-phase section to 22 three-phase remains least cost.