

1 Q. **Reference: PUB-NLH-003**

2 In Hydro's rate-mitigation talks with the provincial government has there been any
3 consideration of eliminating the practice of automatically setting Hydro's rate of return on
4 equity to equal Newfoundland Power's most recently approved rate of return on equity, as
5 currently directed by OC2009-063? What benefits, if any, to consumers does Hydro see in
6 continuing that policy?

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9 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro is unable to comment on rate mitigation discussions at this
10 time.