

1 Q. Page 9, lines 20-21: Please provide details of the proposed operating regime of the
2 diesels, as back-up or peaking units or in response to the 2016 low hydrology
3 scenario, including the forecast annual operating hours for the period 2016-2020.
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7 A. Please refer to Hydro's response to DG-NP-NLH-007 for a discussion of the dispatch
8 and operation of Hydro's thermal units in response to the 2016 low Hydrology
9 scenario.

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11 When operating solely for reliability, Hydro would determine which standby units
12 are required for Avalon or Spinning reserve considerations based on load forecasts
13 and the status of other generators and major transmission lines. For the Avalon, if
14 the load forecast indicates that the Holyrood diesel units and the Hardwoods GT are
15 sufficient to provide the required reserve to avoid customer outages in the event of
16 transmission line or generation contingencies, then these units would be
17 dispatched prior to operation of the Holyrood CT.

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19 The forecast annual operating hour requirements for the Holyrood diesels for 2016
20 and 2017 are indicated in Hydro's response to DG-PUB-NLH-014. Hydro has not
21 developed a forecast of requirements for the diesels beyond 2017, however, it is
22 expected that completion of the third line to the Avalon and completion of the
23 interconnection to Labrador would reduce the operating requirements
considerably.