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1 **Q**: Reference: Evaluation of Pre-Muskrat Falls Supply Needs and Hydro's November 2 30, 2016 Energy Supply Risk Assessment Final Report, The Liberty Consulting 3 Group, Page 28. 4 5 "If the 110 MW recall power is available, and we assume it is, the delay issue is 6 less threatening. We will then be in a mode of waiting to see if the declining 7 thermal reliability and increasing load growth (if they happen) can catch up to and 8 surpass that 110 MW before Muskrat Falls is in service (presumably 2022-23). If 9 the recall power becomes in doubt, all bets are off and the Muskrat Falls delays 10 rise to the highest threat level." 11 In Liberty's opinion, what mitigating steps should be undertaken if timely 12 13 confirmation of the availability of the 100 MW of recall power does not occur? 14 15 16 Please see our response to NP PUB 027 that states that Hydro has confirmed the A. 17 availability of 110 MW of recall power. 18 19 Nevertheless, Liberty's Recommendation 2, on page 32 of its report, states in part: 20 21 "The need for pre-Muskrat Falls supply should be reconsidered in one year, or 22 sooner, if major assumptions change, including but not limited to: 23 "The feasibility of the recall power." 24 25 26 Liberty also recommended, on page 33 of its report, that further sensitivities be 27 completed by Hydro on its November 30, 2016 ESRA and that a number of actions 28 be done by Hydro to mitigate the risk factors. These recommendations if 29 implemented would also be mitigating steps to address any uncertainty on the 30 availability of recall power.