Q. Further to NP-128 NLH: If NP reduced demand requirements for the system
peak hour by 25 MW, would Hydro automatically reduce production at
Holyrood or would Hydro reduce generation at one of its Hydro plants?

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The reduction in load could result in a reduction in either Holyrood, stand-by plant or hydraulic plant production. The generating plant that has its output reduced is dependent on current system operating costs. If stand-by plants such as a gas turbine is operating it will be reduced first. If the reservoir storages are high Holyrood would be reduced before hydraulic units. If the reservoir storages are low then hydraulic units would be reduced before Holyrood. During an average daily peak hydraulic units are generally reduced before Holyrood because Holyrood is base loaded.