1	Q.	With regard to the Haynes/Henderson/Cater evidence (page 30, lines 2 to 6),
2		what are Hydro's "own power supply options", and what process would be
3		followed in the competitive bidding process? Would Hydro be required to submit a
4		bid in the competitive bidding process, or would Hydro's "own power supply
5		options" be sole-sourced? If so, what protections would Hydro's customers
6		receive; i.e., relating to construction delays, cost over-runs, etc?
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9	A.	Hydro has a number of its own power supply options. These include:
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11		Island Pond
12		Round Pond
13		Portland Creek
14		Wind Generation Projects
15		Holyrood Combined Cycle Plant
16		Holyrood Unit IV
17		Combustion Turbine Units
18		Labrador Infeed
19		Natural Gas
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21		It is anticipated that generation source selection might involve a competitive
22		bidding process whereby Hydro's projects would compete with projects from
23		the private sector. Measures would be implemented to ensure that all
24		projects are given a fair and impartial review.
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26		Under the Electrical Power Control Act, 1994, the Public Utilities Board has
27		the authority and responsibility to ensure that proper planning of generation
28		sources occurs. If a public utility as defined by the Public Utilities Act

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1	Page 2 of proposed to build or acquire a generation source, approval by the Board for
2	that capital addition would be required. If a public utility makes energy
3	purchases from an unregulated entity, those energy purchases would
4	normally be subject to the Board's consideration of the public utility's
5	operating expenses.
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7	The Lieutenant-Governor in Council can exempt public utilities from certain
8	requirements under the Electrical Power Control Act (EPCA), 1994 and
9	under the Public Utilities Act, and, under the EPCA, 1994, can direct the
10	Board with respect to rates policies.