Q. Schedule B, page 7 of 39 - Please revise Table 2 to include data for the proposed
extended Winter Period had it been in place during that period of time.

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Hydro cannot calculate with certainty how many hours it would have utilized capacity assistance from CBPP had it been available during the months of November and April for the past three winter seasons. These arrangements provide for significant operational flexibility and benefit, offering support for Island Interconnected System (IIS) reserves under very short notice. If the Revised Capacity Assistance Agreement terms are approved, the assistance will be considered by Hydro during its reserve assessments for the extended winter months, with notification to CBPP and dispatch as required. The months of November and April, although technically outside of the winter period, can present winter-like weather conditions which can result in periods of high customer demand. These months are also inside the annual maintenance cycle for Hydro's units.

In November 2014 Hydro entered into a short term capacity assistance arrangement with CBPP in order to support IIS reserves. This was at a time when several of Hydro's units were unavailable due to forced outages and planned maintenance. In November 2016 and April 2017 there were periods when forecast reserves would have reached public notification criteria and in the event of a loss of a large unit, such as a Holyrood unit, Hydro likely would have been in conservation request. The availability of capacity assistance during these months would result in improved security of supply.