Q. **Reference: 2017 General Rate Application, response to Request for Information NP-NLH-038, Attachment 1, Establishing a Robust Operational Philosophy and Enhancing Skills and Capabilities Relating to Systems Reliability and Analysis, Page 10, lines 8-13.**

"*As part of these meetings, system reliability assessments, based on load forecasts for the current day and for the next seven days, are reviewed and discussed for both the Island Interconnected System and the Avalon Peninsula. These assessments outline the expected reserves based on the load forecast and the availability of assets which include primary generation, standby generation and in the case of the Avalon, transmission availability.*"

Following the completion of the Daily System Status Meeting, how are changes that occur during the day with respect to load forecast and the availability of assets accounted for in the subsequent dispatch of primary and standby generation?

A. Hydro operates all of its generation resources (primary and standby) to position the system to withstand the single worst contingency event. This includes (1) any single transmission contingency without violating any operating limit and impacting customer service[1] and (2) the loss of the largest generating unit contingency without violating the reserve criterion. Following the completion of the Daily System Status Meeting, Hydro monitors for changes in load forecasts and/or the availability of assets that may have an impact on the generation dispatch required to meet the customer load and/or operating reserve requirements. For units that

[1] Not applicable for radially supplied systems.

are not started remotely by the ECC (i.e., standby units), within a specific day or weekend changes in staffing and/or operating requirements are communicated to the asset owners for action.