

1 **Q. [InterGroup Consultants Evidence, page 32, Table 5-2]**

2 **Please confirm it is InterGroup's understanding that the Newfoundland Power**
3 **peak information provided for the years 2005 to 2014 are on a winter peak basis**
4 **(December to March).**

5 **A. The referenced table is prepared based on Hydro's response to IC-NLH-012 Rev1 which**
6 **notes that NP native peak information is provided on a winter peak (December to**
7 **March).**

8 Note that this means the 49.9% load factor historical average and the 52.2% test year
9 load factor are not directly comparable. However note that the 51.0% forecast load factor
10 by NP in their own GRA is directly comparable to the 52.2% used in Hydro's GRA in that
11 both are based on calendar year. This is part of the reason that Messrs Bowman and
12 Najmidinov do not support an adjustment down to 49.9% (which would be a 60 MW
13 increase in NP's peak) but note that a 30 MW adjustment may be appropriate, subject to
14 any further information coming out of the detailed load forecasting review as part of the
15 System Supply Issues proceeding.