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Q. Further to response to Request for Information NP-NLH-011, Attachment 1, Page 5 1 2 of 8: 3 Please explain if, and under what circumstances, the number of operating hours per 4 unit influence the actual conversion factor achieved at Holyrood. 5 6 7 A. The number of operating hours per unit does influence the actual conversion factor 8 at Holyrood. For a given production requirement from the generating station, 9 whether it be minimum requirements during times when Hydro's reservoirs levels 10 are favorable or requirements, higher than minimum, in order to supplement 11 Hydro's hydraulic generation, the number of operating hours influence the unit 12 average loading. As illustrated in Hydro's response to NP-NLH-069 and with all 13 other things being equal, the fuel conversion rate increases as the unit average

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loading increases.