

1 Q. **2013 General Rate Application, Exploits Generation**

2 Page 2.4, Table 2.1 – Explain and provide details on why there are no energy
3 purchases from Exploits River Project included for 2011, 2012 and 2013F.

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6 A. Hydro ceased making payments for energy to the Exploits River Hydro Partnership
7 (the former owners of the Exploits River Project) on February 12, 2009, the date of
8 the closure of the Abitibi paper mill in Grand Falls-Windsor. Following the
9 expropriation of the assets, on the direction of Government, Hydro continued to
10 apply power purchase rates and terms that had been in place with the Partnership,
11 with payment to Nalcor on behalf of Government. This continued until the end of
12 2010 with the energy amounts indicated in the line item “Exploits River Project”. In
13 2011 and 2012 Government changed the terms of the purchase arrangements and
14 made all energy from Star Lake, Grand Falls, Bishops Falls and Buchans available at
15 \$0.04/kWh. On Page 2.4, Table 2.1, for 2011, 2012 and 2013F, all the energy from
16 the Exploits river plants has been included in the line item “Nalcor Grand Falls,
17 Bishops Falls, and Buchans”.