

1 Q. Further to the response to CA-NLH-318 in this proceeding which states that Hydro
2 maintains spinning reserve to accommodate the loss of the largest generating unit
3 on the system and the response to CA-NLH-046 in the Investigation proceeding
4 which states that Hydro has established a minimum spinning reserve level of 70
5 MW, please state what is the minimum spinning reserve in MW that Hydro does
6 maintain.

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9 A. Hydro maintains sufficient spinning reserve to cover performance uncertainties in
10 generating units, especially wind and other variable generation, and unanticipated
11 increases in demand. This has been established through an operating instruction for
12 the system operator to take action in order to maintain a minimum spinning
13 reserve level equal to 70 MW. This action includes placing in service all available
14 generating capacity, cancelling outages to generating units that have a short recall,
15 deploying all available standby resources, including CBPP and Vale capacity
16 assistance, cancelling industrial interruptible load and reducing system load,
17 through procedures such as public conservation notices, voltage reductions,
18 curtailing interruptible loads and non-essential firm loads.