

1 Q. The provincial government expects many mining developments in Labrador. It
2 states that "Based on projects already in construction or near sanction, existing
3 generating capacity in Labrador may be exhausted by 2015-17."
4 [www.powerinourhands.ca/pdf/Labrador Mining.pdf](http://www.powerinourhands.ca/pdf/Labrador_Mining.pdf) p.1).

5 Why is this not taken into account in the Load Forecast in Table 2.18 (p. 2.43)?
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8 A. The potential large scale mining projects in Labrador that can be served via
9 Labrador's interconnected power system have not been included in Hydro's
10 operating load forecast for the Labrador Interconnected System because at the
11 time the forecast was prepared, the projects had either not been officially
12 sanctioned or they did not have all the required approvals in place to proceed.
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14 Hydro has included an allowance for increased utility sales associated with
15 economic activity linked to mining projects.