

1 Q. (Hydro Reply Evidence dated August 7, 2015, Appendix B) On page 15 of 39, the
2 report indicates that *"Hydro's ultimate actions were taken in response to a Board*
3 *directive"*. For the record, please provide a copy of the referenced Board directive.
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7 A. Refer to Hydro's response to PR-PUB-NLH-173, in particular, PR-PUB-NLH-173
8 Attachment 5, which is the Board's direction that Hydro take the following actions
9 as noted below:

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11 The Board will therefore require Hydro to take immediate action
12 to ensure all possible options have been considered to provide
13 reliable Holyrood black start capability. ... Hydro should make the
14 necessary inquiries on an urgent basis and report back to the
15 Board immediately as to the available alternatives. To be clear
16 Hydro is required to inquire, investigate, analyze and report
17 within 30 days as to whether an appropriately sized gas turbine is
18 available to be purchased or leased and installed for Holyrood
19 black start. Hydro should also advise as to the timeframes and
20 costs associated with refurbishing the existing Holyrood gas
21 turbine. The Board realizes that this is very short timeframe but
22 this is necessary to address its concerns in relation to the
23 Holyrood black start, especially given we are now approaching the
24 winter peak season.

25 This Directive is also discussed on page 10 of LaCapra's report (Appendix B to
26 Hydro's Reply).

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28 As noted in PR-PUB-NLH-173:

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30 This direction by the Board led to the path of establishing a different
31 solution the Hydro was following to that point in time.
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1 On November 18, 2013, Hydro provided the Board with its review of
2 the matter and presented the least cost option for a solution for
3 blackstart generating plant located at the Holyrood station.

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5 Following the Board's receipt of this correspondence, Board staff
6 called Hydro and indicated that an inquiry would be held into the
7 Holyrood blackstart matter unless the Board received forthwith an
8 application by Hydro as to a least cost, blackstart solution at
9 Holyrood. Hydro responded to that information by submitting the
10 application on November 22, 2013.