

1 Q. Further to the response to PUB-Nalcor-95 which referred to the economic and
2 employment benefits associated with the Muskrat Falls project, please explain the
3 considerations given by Nalcor, including the priority or weight to such benefits, in
4 its DG2 decision.

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7 A. Both Muskrat Falls and the Labrador Island Transmission Link provide substantial
8 economic and employment benefits. While these benefits were analyzed as part of
9 DG2, they were not given any weight or priority as they do not affect the results of
10 the CPW analysis. Rather, these factors are evaluated and reported as part of the
11 environmental assessment processes for both projects.

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13 These factors have not been considered in Nalcor's CPW analysis as part of the
14 current proceeding before the Board, as the Terms of Reference for this proceeding
15 do not consider these economic and employment benefits in determining which
16 alternative is least-cost. However, the economic and employment benefits that
17 accrue from Muskrat Falls and the Labrador Island Transmission Link are important
18 considerations for the Province and doubtless would be considered as part of a
19 broader economic cost benefit analysis undertaken by the Province.