

1 Q. With reference to the SNC Lavalin report at Appendix C9, in the introduction and in
2 other sections of that report, SNC Lavalin identifies scenarios where it may be
3 necessary to reduce the export of power to Nova Scotia on the Maritime Link. Is the
4 reduction of the export of power to Nova Scotia on the Maritime Link, after a
5 permanent pole outage or other outage scenario examined by SNC Lavalin in its
6 Appendix C9 report, a contemplated measure within Hydro's planning criteria to
7 mitigate a permanent pole outage or other outage scenario examined by SNC
8 Lavalin in its Appendix C9 report?

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11 A. The agreements signed between Nalcor Energy and Emera permit the curtailment
12 of the Maritime Link (ML) for permanent pole and bipole outages on the Labrador –
13 Island HVdc Link (LIL). The reduction of export power over ML was used as part of
14 Hydro's planning criteria to ensure the Island Interconnected System remained
15 stable and equipment ratings remained within limits under single contingency
16 outages. Runbacks of the ML to a maximum level of 250 MW are required for the
17 loss of a single transmission line on the bulk 230 kV transmission system west of
18 Bay d'Espoir. This 250 MW level on ML for loss of a 230 kV transmission line west of
19 Bay d'Espoir is in keeping with the rating of the ML with one pole out of service.