1	Q.	Under the contract with North Atlantic Refining, would Hydro cut firm demand
2		before cutting supply to North Atlantic Refining? Where does supply to North
3		Atlantic Refining stand in terms of control actions during a system emergency?
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6	A.	Under the terms of the Service Agreements ("Agreement") with the Industrial
7		Customers (ICs), the customer declares an amount of Power on Order or "firm"
8		demand and energy prior to October 1 for the upcoming year. Also under the
9		Agreement and in addition to this contracted amount of power on order, the ICs
10		may take an amount of Interruptible or 'non-firm' demand and energy as per the
11		following:
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13		Provided the Amount of Power on Order is equal to or greater than
14		20,000 kW, the amount of Interruptible Demand and Energy
15		available shall be the greater of 10% of the Amount of Power on
16		Order and 5,000 kW. If the Amount of Power on Order is less than
17		20,000 kW, the Amount of Interruptible Demand and Energy
18		available shall be 25% of the Amount of Power on Order.1
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20		In its responses to PUB-NLH-033 and CA-NLH-009, Hydro outlined the steps it would
21		take in the event of a generation shortage on the Island Interconnected System. ²
22		Hydro would first advise ICs, including North Atlantic Refining Limited, that if they
23		are taking non-firm or Interruptible power, the energy will be charged at higher
24		standby generation rates (Step 6). Further into the protocol, as the generation

¹ For the year 2014 North Atlantic Refining Limited has "contracted" 29,500 kW of Power on Order from Hydro and may take up to 5,000 kW of Interruptible power and energy.

² Hydro's "Generation Loading Sequence and Generation Shortages" protocol is filed as PUB-NLH-033, Attachment 1 (now referred to as the "Generation Reserves" protocol).

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1	shortage worsens (Step 9), all non-firm power delivery to customers is cancelled
2	and all ICs are requested to reduce power consumption to within contractual limits.
3	Under Step 12 of the protocol, Hydro requests that Industrial Customers shed non-
4	essential loads and informs them of the deteriorating system conditions. Under
5	Step 13, Hydro requests that Industrial Customers shed additional load. The
6	customer load that is shed under the latter two steps is within the contracted firm
7	block (Power on Order).