

1 Q. What assurance can Hydro give that the December 1st, 2014, operational readiness  
2 planning deadline will be respected with all planned generation and transmission  
3 outages complete?  
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6 A. Hydro prepares for each winter peak customer demand period by having all  
7 generation and transmission equipment planned outages required for the capital  
8 and maintenance programs complete by December 1. A comprehensive generation  
9 outage plan is established outlining when each generating unit is approved for  
10 removal from service that enables ongoing secure delivery of power to customers  
11 throughout the maintenance period from April 1 through November 30. Hydro's  
12 2014 maintenance and capital program is very extensive with the addition of the  
13 new 120 MW combustion turbine, the refurbishment work on the Stephenville gas  
14 turbine, the replacement of the failed Sunnyside transformer and the repair of the  
15 transformer at Western Avalon. All of the work has been placed in plans with  
16 resources identified to successfully complete the work. Hydro is tracking the  
17 completion of all the work and its compliance in accordance to the plan and is  
18 committed to meeting its operational readiness planning deadline in respect of all  
19 planned generation and transmission outages. The 2014 approved generation  
20 outage schedule was provided in *Report to the Board of Commissioners of Public*  
21 *Utilities Related to Generation Availability*, which was provided to the Board on  
22 June 16, 2014.  
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24 In addition, in mid-July, Hydro reviewed its plans with representatives from Liberty.  
25 Hydro will be providing regular updates to the Board to show the progress and  
26 identify any areas where adjustments have been made to ensure completion.

1        At present, all projects and maintenance is tracking in accordance with the plans to  
2        be completed on schedule. The only project which is scheduled for completion after  
3        December 1 is the new 120 MW combustion turbine which is scheduled for  
4        completion on December 7. This is consistent with the original plan for this project  
5        and it remains on schedule.