

1 Q. Reference responses to CA-NLH 87, 88 and 98, the NERC related reviews and the  
2 resulting implementation do not have a completion date. The Labrador and  
3 Maritime HVDC transmission systems are scheduled to be commissioned in late  
4 2017. The full commissioning of the Maritime HVDC link will require transmission  
5 of power to and from Newfoundland. Will the NERC compliance be completed in  
6 time to commission the Maritime Link? If not, please explain the plans to  
7 commission the Maritime HVDC Link without the completion of the NERC  
8 compliance.

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11 A. The Maritime Link HVdc facilities are being built by Emera in accordance with the  
12 reliability standards of Nova Scotia, which are NERC compliant. The NSPI system  
13 operator will be operating the Maritime Link HVdc facilities in NS and the Hydro  
14 system operator will operate the Maritime Link HVdc facilities in Newfoundland. To  
15 commission the Maritime Link, Hydro will only need to be compliant with NERC  
16 standards regarding its operational control of the Maritime Link HVdc facilities in  
17 Newfoundland. Hydro/Nalcor are continuing to advance analysis related to  
18 adoption of NERC reliability standards for the broader NL system and will meet its  
19 NERC compliance requirements for the Maritime Link operation.