

- 1   **Q:   Given the size of the load on the Avalon Peninsula and its susceptibility to**  
2   **supply disruptions, is Hydro placing enough emphasis on the reliability and**  
3   **security of supply to this region?**  
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- 6   A.   From a supply point of view, Liberty observed a need for increasing reserve  
7       margins pending the introduction of Muskrat Falls. Liberty’s next report will  
8       address post-Muskrat Falls reliability implications. With respect to transmission,  
9       Liberty did find sufficient emphasis on reliability in the design of the system  
10      serving the Peninsula, but found a need for improvements in operation and  
11      maintenance.