Q. Further to PUB-NLH-115 if the response is that Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's forecasts of energy consumption and peak loads would increase, would that mean that Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's process of generation planning would then identify larger needs for generation capacity? If not, why not?

A. Further to PUB-NLH-115, an increase in energy consumption and peak loads would not necessarily mean that Hydro's process of generation planning would then identify larger needs for generation capacity.

In the response to PUB-NLH-110, it was noted that Newfoundland Power's (NP's) curtailable load should not be added to the Island Peak Load, as the off-setting peak reduction is also present every year. Conversely, if Hydro were to add the curtailable load to its recorded peak, it would also need to include the curtailable load as part of the resources available to meet that peak, and thus, no larger needs for generation capacity would be required.

In the response to PUB-NLH-111, the same is true for NP's load reductions due to voltage reductions.

In the response to PUB-NLH-112, it was noted that the forecaster should be given information about the recorded peak and the estimate of demand due to unserved load. If, after the forecaster's analysis, this leads to higher forecasts of energy consumption and peak loads, then eventually larger needs for generation capacity would be identified. If, after the forecaster's analysis, this does not lead to higher forecasts of energy consumption and peak loads, then larger needs for generation capacity would not be identified.