

1 **Q. How will the integration of Muskrat Falls and the Labrador-Island Link affect the**  
2 **operations and stability of the Newfoundland Power electric systems?**  
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4 A. Newfoundland Power owns and operates electrical equipment on the Island  
5 Interconnected System, and does not operate any electric system that is not part of the  
6 Island Interconnected System.<sup>1</sup> The primary responsibility for ensuring the stability of  
7 the Island Interconnected System rests with Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro  
8 (“Hydro”), as part of Hydro’s responsibility for supply planning.<sup>2</sup>  
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10 It is reasonable to expect that the integration of Muskrat Falls and the Labrador-Island  
11 Link will affect the operations and stability of the Island Interconnected System.  
12 However, Newfoundland Power has not conducted any analysis on the impact of  
13 integration of Muskrat Falls and the Labrador-Island Link on the operations and stability  
14 of the Island Interconnected System, and is not privy to the results of any such analysis  
15 that may have been carried out by Hydro. Newfoundland Power is therefore not able to  
16 comment at this time on the impact of Muskrat Falls and the Labrador-Island Link on the  
17 operations and stability of the Island Interconnected System.  
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19 Newfoundland Power’s expects that through this proceeding, and through ongoing  
20 discussions with Hydro, it will be provided with information that will enable it to assess  
21 the extent to which Muskrat Falls and the Labrador-Island Link will affect Newfoundland  
22 Power’s operations and the stability of the Island Interconnected System.

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<sup>1</sup> See Newfoundland Power’s *Interim Report* filed on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014, page 2, line 10 to Page 3 line 5.

<sup>2</sup> See Newfoundland Power’s *Interim Report* filed on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014, page 47, line 5 to 14.