

- 1 **Q. Does Mr. Brockman agree that, post Muskrat Falls, there will be a significant time**
2 **delay, at best, after an event before any import capacity can be made available over**
3 **the Maritime Link? If not, why not?**
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- 5 A. Availability of import capacity on the Maritime Link (“ML”) is currently under review
6 by Hydro and the Maine and Atlantic Technical Planning Committee (“MATPC”).¹ The
7 outcome of this review may provide further clarity on the time required to deliver power
8 from the ML to the Island Interconnected System (“IIS”) following an unforeseen event.
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- 10 Hydro has determined that instantaneous power reversal on the ML will not be possible.
11 There are a number of reasons for this including the transfer capacity on the 345 kV
12 transmission tie between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and the limited spinning
13 reserve carried in the Nova Scotia system.² Inevitably, should an unforeseen event
14 require the delivery of power over the ML to the IIS, some delay can be expected. The
15 duration of such a delay is currently unknown.
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- 17 In the absence of clarity on this matter, Mr. Brockman is unable to comment on the
18 significance of any such time delay.

¹ See the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-314.

² See the response to Request for Information PUB-NLH-512.