

- 1 **Q: Liberty has observed (p.5) that the penetration of electric space heating has**
2 **increased the likely adverse impact of outages.**
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- 4 (a) **Does Liberty agree that conversions to electric heat add to peak load?**
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- 6 (b) **Did Liberty ask Hydro whether it was considering actions that might serve**
7 **to deter further conversions from oil-furnace space heating to electric**
8 **space heating and, if so, what possible actions were identified?**
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- 10 A. (a) Yes. As a winter peaking system, additions to heating load are likely to
11 contribute to a higher annual peak.
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- 13 (b) No, Liberty did not have any discussions with Hydro concerning the possible
14 discouraging of future heating load.