

1 **Q: Re: Review of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Power Supply Adequacy**
2 **and Reliability Prior to and Post Muskrat Falls (“the Liberty Report #2”), p. 32**

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4 **Preamble:**

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6 **Table III.5 indicates that, under certain contingencies, ML Exports would be**
7 **curtailed to 250 MW, and that, under other contingencies, they would be**
8 **curtailed to 0 MW.**

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10 **Citation 1:**

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12 **Any power on the Maritime Link in excess of 250 MW is not Firm Power.**

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14 **Given that, under certain circumstances, Maritime Link Exports can be**
15 **curtailed to 0 MW, is it appropriate to regard any ML exports as Firm Power?**

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17 **If so, please explain the criteria used to distinguish between Firm and Non-Firm**
18 **Power.**

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21 A. “Firm” power does not mean that the supply will never be interrupted under any and
22 all conditions. In emergency situations, it is legitimate to curtail firm load. Please see
23 a further description of such circumstances on Pages 31-32 of the Liberty report.
24 Also note that the firm power for Nova Scotia is tied to the availability of the source,
25 in this case the Labrador Island Link. Hydro has the specific right to trip the
26 Maritime Link when the Labrador Island Link is lost, and plans to do so. Hydro does
27 not have the right to curtail the firm Maritime Link load simply for its own
28 convenience.