

- 1 **Q: At page 10 of the report, Liberty notes that the Hardwoods and Stephenville**
2 **units continue to be unreliable despite new investments and that the situation**
3 **with these units will worsen as they age further. In light of Liberty's assessment**
4 **of the risk, and based on Liberty's experience and current information on the**
5 **IIS, please comment on whether it is reasonable for Hydro to do any further**
6 **investments in the Hardwoods and Stephenville units or to include these units**
7 **when assessing existing reliable supply capability on the IIS?**
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- 10 A. Liberty believes that Hydro should include the need to replace Hardwoods and
11 Stephenville in the recommended review of supply needs. Until such time as the
12 units are replaced, one would question the prudence of significant new investment in
13 either unit. Liberty agrees it is appropriate to continue to include the units as supply
14 resources, but with a suitably low availability and with the recognition of the units'
15 poor recent performance and weak future prospects.
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17 Please also see Liberty's response to NP-PUB-015.