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**Hearing into Supply Issues and Power Outages
on the Island Interconnected System**

1 Q. Commonwealth Associates Inc. Report, page 5, lines 32-35. It is stated that
2 the focus of Commonwealth's inquiry was the reliability of the design of the
3 Labrador Island HVdc overhead transmission line and Commonwealth
4 identified a number of potential deficiencies in the design of this line. Did
5 Commonwealth consider the implications of these deficiencies for the
6 reliability of the Island Interconnected system (IIS)? If yes, please identify
7 the impact on the reliability of the IIS for each deficiency separately and the
8 overall implications if each identified potential deficiency is found to be an
9 actual deficiency. If no, why not.

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11 A. **The scope of Commonwealth's involvement was strictly to comment on**
12 **the reliability related to the mechanical & structural aspects of the**
13 **Labrador Island HVdc transmission line. The Island Interconnected**
14 **system was not reviewed by Commonwealth. Therefore, any potential**
15 **deficiencies in the Labrador Island HVdc transmission line design in our**
16 **report were not studied in regard to the impact on IIS.**