

1 Q. Given the very high availability rates of high-voltage transmission systems in general, how many
2 years will it take before Hydro is confident in using actual availability data for the LIL in its
3 planning studies?

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6 A. At least three years of operational data representative of Labrador-Island Link (“LIL) operations
7 post-commissioning is needed to better inform the LIL bipole forced outage rate for planning
8 purposes. Throughout this period, and possibly beyond, the range of LIL bipole forced outage
9 rate upper and lower limits will continue to be used as sensitivities.