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**Q: Re: Pre-Filed Testimony of the Helios Centre (Mr. Raphals, page 15 and 16,
Section 3.2:**

Does Mr. Raphals believe that his suggestion of requiring peak load curtailment to be a condition of service be adopted by Hydro for any industrial or general service customer load additions that will create capacity constraints on any of Hydro's electricity systems? Please provide an explanation to support the answer.

A. The following is the response of Mr Phil Raphals:

Under normal circumstances, I would not expect requiring peak load curtailment to be a condition of service to be adopted by Hydro for industrial or general service customer load additions that create capacity constraints on Hydro's electricity systems, since gradual customer-driver increases in capacity will also make it possible to serve future customers. However, when a supply-side resolution to the capacity constraint would require a very large investment, in relation to the annual revenue requirement, it may be necessary to seek innovative solutions.