

1 Q. **Reference: Application, Attachment 1, Page 10, Lines 10 - 11**

2 On Page 10 at Lines 10 - 11, Hydro states:

3 Hydro's interpretation of the regulations suggests that any commercial or  
4 hydroelectric development would not be approved through the environmental  
5 assessment process.

6 Has Hydro held any discussions with the appropriate government agencies with respect to the  
7 environmental assessment process? If yes, please provide the details of the discussions. If not,  
8 why not?

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11 A. As the economics of developing these hydroelectric sites eliminated it from further analysis and  
12 review,<sup>1</sup> Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro did not consult with government agencies  
13 regarding the environmental assessment process for hydroelectric development of Site 5B and  
14 Site 8C-2.

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<sup>1</sup> "Long-Term Supply for Southern Labrador – Phase 1," Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, July 16, 2021, att. 1, sec. 4.6, pp. 31-32 and sec. 5.0, table 7, p. 33.