

- 1 Q. Has NL Hydro evaluated the effect of supplying export power on the proposed pricing model?
- 2 a) Does the price of surplus power in the export markets decrease as the available amount
- 3 increases?
- 4 b) Has Hydro evaluated the extent to which the diminishment of supply to its export
- 5 markets as a result of supplying that surplus power to local rather than to export
- 6 markets will increase costs in those markets resulting in increased costs to local users?
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- 9 A. a) Basic economics indicate that, in general, if you increase the supply of an item the price of
- 10 the item would be expected to decline. New York and New England are large complex
- 11 energy systems; the price of energy in these markets are calculated hourly reflecting the
- 12 location-based marginal price. The impact of the change in the amount of supply to the
- 13 market price would depend on the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) price
- 14 submitted to the market and if exports by Hydro can affect the marginal cost of supply in
- 15 the market. Hydro is projected to increase exports from ~1.5 TWh of energy per year to
- 16 ~3 TWh of energy per year (excluding long-term export contracts but subject to growth in
- 17 Hydro’s load requirements), while the New York market is approximately 152 TWh in 2022
- 18 and New England market is approximately a 118 TWh. The projected increase in exports
- 19 would change Hydro’s portion of the market from 0.5% to approximately 1% (excluding
- 20 long-term contracts). In general, considering the total exports from Hydro (excluding long-
- 21 term export contracts) and the size of the New York and New England market, it is
- 22 reasonable to assume that a projected increase in exports would not have a material impact
- 23 on Hydro’s export markets.
- 24 b) Hydro has not evaluated if the impact of reducing its exports will impact export market
- 25 prices. Please refer to Hydro’s response to part a).