

- 1 Q. The contracted capacity on page 1 of Schedule 2, while noting that a higher value may be  
2 possible, peaks at 90 MW. The capacity available within the May 4, 2021 capacity assistance  
3 agreement, as noted in Table 1 within Schedule 1, peaks at 105 MW.
- 4 a) Please explain why the capacity available to be requested has reduced from 105 MW to 90  
5 MW.
- 6 b) Has there been a reduction in the capacity capability of Corner Brook Pulp and Paper's  
7 generation fleet? If so, please provide details.
- 8 c) Has there been an increase in Corner Brook Pulp and Paper's operational load requirements  
9 that have resulted in less capacity being available to Hydro within this latest capacity  
10 assistance agreement? If so, please explain.
- 11 d) Did Hydro request assistance capacity at 105 MW for the winter of 2023/2024?  
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- 14 A. a) While the previous capacity assistance agreement ("CAA") with Corner Brook Pulp and  
15 Paper Limited ("CBPP") allowed for up to 105 MW, the amount of capacity assistance  
16 agreed upon for the 2021–2022 and 2022–2023 winter periods was 90 MW. The 105 MW  
17 was the upper limit of what could be provided by CBPP to Newfoundland and Labrador  
18 Hydro ("Hydro") under ideal operating conditions.
- 19 There is an operational risk to both parties related to the upper limit being relied upon  
20 through the winter period with a ten-minute response time; it was determined that 90 MW  
21 could be reliably counted on and therefore included in spinning reserves. However, the  
22 proposed agreement does allow for a higher limit if tested and agreed to by the parties.  
23 Additionally, the proposed terms provide operational flexibility whereby Hydro can  
24 purchase a higher amount of capacity or for a longer period if it is required and available,  
25 as further described in Hydro's response to PUB-NLH-010 of this proceeding.
- 26 b) There has not been a reduction in the capacity capability of CBPP's generation fleet.
- 27 c) There has not been an increase in the operational load of CBPP's mill.

- 1 **d)** Please refer to part a) of this response.