

1 Q. Has Hydro received any proposals re wind generation / hydrogen production?

2 a) Will any Muskrat Falls' surplus electricity be used in reference to any such proposals?

3 b) Have any significant resources of Hydro been dedicated to any such projects?

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6 A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") has received one formal interconnection request
7 from a wind generation and hydrogen production facility and has fielded numerous calls and
8 meetings with more than ten other companies seeking to establish similar operations in the
9 province. All of these companies will have to follow the Crown Lands Nomination and Bid
10 Process for Wind Energy Projects as established by the Department of Industry, Energy and
11 Technology.¹

12 a) Prospective customer loads requiring supply from the provincial power system would
13 consume what is currently surplus energy from Hydro's generating resources, which include
14 Muskrat Falls. A detailed assessment of supply requirements and system implications
15 associated with new customer loads would require detailed system impact studies. No such
16 studies have been undertaken to date.

17 b) No significant resources of Hydro have been dedicated to these projects at this time. If any
18 of these projects proceed beyond the conceptual phase then the proponents will be asked
19 to fund the cost of associated studies.

¹ "Guidelines: Nominating Crown Lands for Wind Energy Projects," Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Department of Industry, Energy and Technology, July 26, 2022 <<https://www.gov.nl.ca/iet/files/Draft-Guidelines-to-Nominate-Crown-Lands-for-Wind-Power-Projects-FINAL-July-26.pdf>>