

- 1   **Q:   In its analyses, did Liberty consider use of small distributed generation**  
2   **alternatives as a means for improving reliability?**  
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5   A.   Liberty addressed with Hydro all of the sources it considered. The term “distributed  
6   generation” connotes a supporting regulatory regime that we are not aware exists  
7   for the IIS; therefore, we did not consider it as a short-term option.