

1    Q.    In the correspondence dated December 12, 2025 Hydro states:

2                "...including the procurement of long-lead critical equipment required for  
3                project advancement, will take years."

4                What long-lead critical equipment will be procured as part of the work proposed in the  
5                Additional Early Execution Capital Works Application that is additional to the critical equipment  
6                procured as part of the work included in the Original Early Execution Capital Works Application?

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9    A.    The referenced statement in Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro’s (“Hydro”) correspondence of  
10          December 12, 2025, accompanying the Additional Early Execution Application,<sup>1</sup> was regarding  
11          the overall planning, construction, and integration of the assets proposed in Hydro’s 2025 Build  
12          Application<sup>2</sup> and was not specifically referencing procurement of long-lead items in the early  
13          execution stages. However, there are some long-lead critical equipment for which the initial  
14          stages of procurement is proposed in the Additional Early Execution Application.

15          **Avalon Combustion Turbine**

16          The critical long-lead equipment procurement items within Hydro’s original Early Execution  
17          Application<sup>3</sup> were the combustion turbines and generator step-up (“GSU”) transformers.<sup>4</sup> In  
18          addition, Hydro’s Additional Early Execution Application proposes the procurement process for  
19          the terminal station circuit breakers in 2026. Advancing procurement of this critical long-lead  
20          equipment mitigates both schedule and cost escalation risks.

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<sup>1</sup> “Additional Early Execution Capital Work – Bay d’Espoir Unit 8 and Avalon Combustion Turbine,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, December 12, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> “2025 Build Application – Bay d’Espoir Unit 8 and Avalon Combustion Turbine,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, March 21, 2025.

<sup>3</sup> “Early Execution Capital Work – Bay d’Espoir Unit 8 and Avalon Combustion Turbine,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, March 12, 2025.

<sup>4</sup> Award of the GSU transformer procurement contract is expected by early February 2026.

1                   **Bay d'Espoir Unit 8**

2                   The critical long-lead equipment procurement item for Bay d'Espoir Unit 8 within Hydro's Early  
3                   Execution Application was the turbine and generator procurement package.<sup>5</sup> In addition,  
4                   Hydro's Additional Early Execution Application proposed the procurement processes for the GSU  
5                   transformer and the 230 kV circuit breakers to begin in 2026. Advancing procurement of these  
6                   critical long-lead equipment mitigates both schedule and cost escalation risks.

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<sup>5</sup> The turbine and generator award was issued on November 16, 2025.