

1 Q. **Reference: Volume 1, page 2.10**

2 Hydro states (lines 4 to 5) “Since commissioning, the Muskrat Falls Hydroelectric Generating
3 Facility has been outperforming the Electricity Canada five-year average of 6.03% for similar
4 units across Canada. The four generating units achieved a weighted DAFOR of 1.35% in 2025...”
5 Describe the similar units that Hydro is using as comparable to Muskrat Falls and how the age of
6 these similar units has been taken into consideration by Hydro in terms of benchmarking
7 performance.

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10 A. The Muskrat Falls comparator group referenced is the all-Canada five-year average, which
11 includes all hydro units reporting to the Electricity Canada data set, regardless of the asset age.
12 Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) does not benchmark using subsets of Electricity
13 Canada generation data, such as age or megawatt rating, as it significantly reduces the number
14 of assets in the comparator group. For example, there are only seven additional reported units
15 in the 200–300 MW class.

16 Additionally, the benchmark value of 6.03% is not used by Hydro for resource adequacy or long-
17 term planning. For further information, please refer to the 2024 Resource Adequacy Plan¹ as
18 well as the 2025 Near-Term Reliability Report² for discussions on what measures are used for
19 those purposes.

¹ “2024 Resource Adequacy Plan – An Update to the Reliability and Resource Adequacy Study,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, rev. August 26, 2024 (originally filed July 9, 2024).

² “Reliability and Resource Adequacy Study Review – 2025 Near-Term Reliability Report,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, November 20, 2025.