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# N.B. wants certainty on Churchill power costs

Williams says sides will 'talk turkey' at appropriate time

New Brunswick's energy minister says his province needs firm information on the business case for the Lower Churchill before deciding whether to buy power from the potential hydroelectric project.

"I think it's got to be more than just talk," New Brunswick Energy Minister Jack Keir told The Telegram Friday.

"I think Nalcor and the government of Newfoundland have to sit down and suggest, 'Here's how we're going to do it, here's how it's going to be funded, here's what the cost is going to be, are you in?'"

Meanwhile, Premier Danny Williams says the two sides will "talk turkey" at the appropriate time.

The premier said Nalcor, Newfoundland and Labrador's energy corporation, has had talks with New Brunswick's power company.

But discussions were interrupted by a since-shelved deal that would have seen Hydro-Quebec gobble up New Brunswick's energy assets.

"I can't give you that. That's a question that I ask as well with Nalcor, and we're not there yet."

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