

- 1 Q. Wheeling:  
2 a) What is the current wheeling charge for Industrial Customers? How  
3 was it determined? When was it last changed, and why was it then  
4 changed?  
5 b) Explain in detail, setting out all calculations and indicating the source  
6 of all information as required in Schedule 1.5 of the Cost of Service  
7 Study (particularly the source of the line 2 MWh estimate) how the  
8 proposed wheeling rate was determined. Explain why the wheeling  
9 rate has increased by 7.1% (see P.R. Hamilton, Table 2 at page 9).  
10 c) Explain how forecast revenue from wheeling (\$6,950, as referenced in  
11 (b) above) is derived and applied in the calculation of revenue to Cost  
12 Coverage ratios in Schedule 1.2. Confirm that wheeling revenue is  
13 included as an "expense credit" for Transmission Demand costs in  
14 Schedule 2.1A.

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16 A. a) The current wheeling charge for Industrial Customers is \$0.00649 per  
17 kilowatt hour. It was determined in the same manner as the proposed  
18 rate (refer to response to part b, below), using 1994 budget data. It  
19 was last changed in 1994, based on that budget, as were other  
20 industrial rates.

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22 b) The proposed wheeling rate was determined as follows:  
23 Island Interconnected Transmission  
24 Revenue Requirement \$43,918,606  
25 (Source: Exhibit JAB-1, page 28, Column 5)

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27 Divided by:  
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1	Transmission Energy Output (MWh)	6,315,428
2	Source:	
3	Total Sales and Bulk Deliveries	6,346,400
4	(Source H.G. Budgell, Schedule 5)	
5	Less: Compensation	(31,000)
6	Plus: Rounding	<u>28</u>
7		<u>6,315,428</u>
8	Divided by	1,000
9	Equals	\$.00695 (\$/kWh)

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The increase in the wheeling rate is due to the increased costs from 1994 to 2002. As the transmission energy has also increased, the resultant increase to the rate was somewhat mitigated.

c) The forecast revenue from wheeling is derived as follows:

Wheeling energy forecast (kWh)	1,000,000
Multiplied by Rate per kWh	<u>\$0.00695</u>
	<u>\$ 6,950</u>

The wheeling revenue is included as an expense credit, reducing the total transmission demand costs assigned to the Island Interconnected System (Schedule 2.1 A., Line 14, Column 5). This results in a lower Cost of Service, which is the denominator in the Revenue to Cost Coverage calculation.