Q. With reference to RSP Hydraulic Production, please confirm that the figures for hydraulic production in the RSP only include Hydro's own hydro generating stations and not NUG generation. Please describe any and all ways in which variations in NUG production affects the amounts charged to the RSP.

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The figures for hydraulic production in the RSP only includes Hydro's own hydro generating stations and does not include NUG generation. Any variation in NUG production from that used in setting rates for 2002 will impact the fuel variation component of the RSP. A decrease in NUG production results in more No. 6 fuel being consumed and the charge to the plan is the additional number of barrels multiplied by the price variance for No. 6 fuel (actual price per barrel less price per barrel included in rates). The opposite would apply for an increase in NUG production.