1	Q.	From HGB, Schedule V, explain the reason for the increase in losses for			
2		2002 (see below):			
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4					Increased Losses
5		ı	Increase in Sales over	Increase in Losses	as a % of Change
6		Year	previous year	over previous year	in Sales
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8		2001	244.6 GWh	6.4 GWh	2.62%
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10		2002	171.1 GWh	16.5 GWh	9.64%
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12	A.	As explained on page 6 of the direct evidence of H.G. Budgell, starting in			
13		2002, the forecast for bulk deliveries to Hydro Rural Interconnected in			
14		Schedule V reflects changes in bulk metering. This modification results from			
15		a change in assignment of plant relating to the 1995 PUB recommendation			
16		arising from the Inquiry on Rural Electrical Service "that both generation			
17		assets and the 138 kV transmission line on the Great Northern Peninsula be			
18		assigned, on a provisional basis, as being of common benefit to all			
19		Interconnected Customers and that sub-transmission costs (for lines whose			
20		voltage is below 138 kV) be specifically assigned" (H.G. Budgell Direct			
21		Evidence, page 15).			
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23		The assignment of the GNP 138 kV transmission losses to common starting			
24		in 2002 increases common losses.			