

1 Q. a) What alternatives to the new sources of supply were considered by
2 NLH?

3 b) Were any of those alternatives more cost-effective?

4 c) Please provide benefit-cost or similar studies dealing with these new
5 sources of supply and with any alternatives that may have been
6 considered.

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9 A. With respect to the Granite Canal project, see attached report entitled
10 "Generation Expansion Study of Near Term Options for Meeting
11 Newfoundland's Load Growth", November 1999.

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13 The issue of cost-effectiveness of power purchase arrangements that Hydro
14 has entered into with Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited and with the
15 Exploits River Hydro Partnership, and of the recovery of those costs by
16 Hydro through its rates, are the subject matter of Exemption Orders from the
17 Lieutenant-Governor in Council issued under the Public Utilities Act and the
18 Electric Power Control Act. The information requested about these matters
19 is not required for a full understanding of the issues to be considered by the
20 Board in this hearing.