Q. Provide a comparison of the cost to the consumer to heat a typical home with oil, wood and electricity at current and proposed rates. Provide a comparison of the cost to the consumer of hot water for a typical home using oil and electricity at current rates. In the comparison, show Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's (hereafter "NLH) cost of supplying electricity for (1) hot water, and (2) home heating for a typical home.

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A. See following table. Because the cost comparison is at an end-use level, electricity and fuel oil costs represent the marginal or variable operating costs to a consumer. In both instances, consumer costs excludes capital costs, annual maintenance costs, etc.

	Space Heating		Water Heating
	Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Water Heating
Estimated End-Use Electricity Consumption for Hydro Rural Households (kWh/Year) <sup>1</sup>	22,300	22,300	3,300
Annual Cost of Electricity to Consumer <sup>2</sup> Island Interconnected Labrador Interconnected Isolated Diesel  Annual Cost of Oil to Consumer <sup>3</sup> Avalon & West Coast	\$1,587 \$454 \$2,982 \$1,052	\$1,721 \$489 \$3,199	\$235 \$67 \$280 \$206
Central Ramea Northern Peninsula (St Anthony) Labrador Straits Labrador West Labrador East Coastal Labrador	\$1,032 \$1,113 \$1,221 \$1,149 \$1,342 \$1,257 \$1,269 \$1,595	- - - - - -	\$218 \$239 \$225 \$263 \$246 \$249 \$312
Annual Cost of Wood to Consumer <sup>4</sup> Island Interconnected Labrador Interconnected Isolated Diesel	not available not available not available	- - -	- - -
Annual Cost for Hydro to Supply Electricity <sup>5</sup> Island Interconnected Labrador Interconnected Labrador Diesel Island Diesel L'Anse au Loup	\$2,850 \$407 \$11,712 \$18,591 \$3,675		\$473 \$60 \$1,733 \$2,751 \$601

## Notes:

- 1. Weighted average electricity consumption based on means analysis compiled from 2001 survey of households in Hydro's service terrirory.
- 2. Cost of electricity based on domestic tariff to consumer at July 1, 2003 excluding HST and discount. Consumer cost of electricty for Labrador interconnected is weighted cost. Isolated diesel customer costs calculated at 3 <sup>rd</sup> block for electric heat and an average of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> blocks for electric hot water. Excludes equipment and maintenance costs.
- 3. Costs for oil are calculated using the July 1, 2003 various residential furnance oil price as posted by the Petroleum Products Pricing Commission. Cost is marginal fuel cost.
- 4. Hydro does not regularly collect firewood prices from across the Province. The high incidence of homeowner procurement makes it difficult to impute prices.
- 5. Hydro's 2004 Cost of Service as per Schedule 1.3 (Demand and Energy cost for domestic all-electric for space heating and domestic for water heating).