

1 Q. What has happened since 2001 with respect to the proposed Wind
2 Demonstration Project?

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5 A. Since 2001 the following has happened with respect to the Wind
6 Demonstration project:

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- 8 • In April of 2001, Hydro's RFP for a Wind Demonstration Project was
9 awarded to the NeWind Group.
 - 10 • A feasibility study was submitted in September of 2002.
 - 11 • In July of 2002 Hydro signed a "Memorandum of Understanding for the
12 Development of Markets for Electricity from Emerging Renewable
13 Sources" with the Federal Government, for the purchase of between 10
14 and 20 GWh of electricity annually from the project, over a ten-year
15 period.
 - 16 • Hydro completed its review and analysis of the report in the fall of 2002
17 and sought the direction of Government on next steps.
 - 18 • In March 2003 Hydro made a submission to the Federal Government
19 under their "Marketing Incentive Program" for funding of a green
20 marketing program by Hydro and Newfoundland Power, should the wind
21 demonstration project proceed. Hydro's submission was denied.
 - 22 • Through a Provincial Government Order in Council, a Power Purchase
23 Agreement (PPA) and Hydro's activities related to the Wind
24 Demonstration Project are exempted from the authority of the Board of
25 Commissioners of Public Utilities.