Q. With regard to the R. D. Greneman evidence (page 17, lines 7 to 19), are there elements of the marginal cost study that can be incorporated in the rates for Industrial Customers? For example, as recommended in the report entitled Implications of Marginal Cost Results for Class Revenue Allocation and Rate Design, can the demand charge be modified to reflect the fact that the probability of loss of load, the driver of Hydro's capacity decisions, is almost entirely during the four winter months? In addition, could the IC rates be designed with a two-block energy charge similar to the wholesale rate for NP with a tail-block energy charge based on the marginal production cost at Holyrood? Could this be done using the IC revenue allocation derived in the 2007 Forecast Cost of Service included in Mr. Greneman's Cost of Service evidence so that there is no further impact on rates beyond those being proposed by Hydro in the 2006 GRA?

A. While marginal rate design principles could be incorporated in the rates for Industrial Customers, there are other rate design considerations that must be reviewed, such as first block size. Please see response to CA 9 NLH, and Page 13 of the July 2006 NERA Economic Consulting "Implications of Marginal Cost Results for Class Revenue Allocation and Rate Design" report for options which would require analysis and review prior to such implementation.