

In reference to Schedule “B”, page 37 of 82 – Services, at a project cost of \$1,819,000:

**Q. Please provide evidence, in actual numbers, of anticipated growth in each of the regions stated.**

**A.** Table 1 below provides a summary of the forecast gross number of new residential customers in each of the Company’s operating areas for 2003.

<b>Table 1</b> <b>Gross Number of New Residential Customers</b> <b>2003F</b>	
<b>Region / Area</b>	<b>Gross Number of New Residential Customers<sup>1</sup></b>
St. John’s	1,221
Avalon	335
Burin	63
<b>Eastern Region</b>	<b>1,619</b>
Bonavista	166
Gander	135
Grand Falls	126
Corner Brook	132
Stephenville	129
<b>Western Region</b>	<b>688</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,307</b>

<sup>1</sup> Based on increase in customers before disconnects.