1	Q.	What is the expected improvement in customer service and reliability as a result of
2	_	the proposed 2007 capital program?
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4	A.	It is often not possible to quantify the impact of a specific capital expenditure on the
5		overall level of customer service or reliability. Many factors have impacts on both
6		customer service and reliability. For example, reliability is impacted by the overall
7		quality of the electrical system, weather and planned outages for maintenance work.
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9		However, the following examples illustrate some anticipated improvements in customer
10		service and reliability expected as a result of the projects proposed in the 2007 Capital
11		Budget Application.
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13		The rebuild of Transmission Line 110L, which is part of the Transmission Line Rebuild
14		project, will help to improve reliability on that transmission line. Since 2001, several
15		outages to customers have occurred on this line due to wind and icing causing conductors
16		to slap together, resulting in conductor damage or failure. Rebuilding this line will minimize outages experienced by customers, improving reliability.
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19		The Customer Service Internet project, which is part of the Application Enhancements
20		project, will help to improve customer service. This project will enhance self-service
21		options on the Company's Internet website particularly for landlords and contractors.
22		Landlords and contractors will have the ability to see the up-to-date status of their
23		premises and jobs respectively, at their convenience.