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1	Q.	Depreciation
2		Exhibit 11, page 39 of 628. In respect of retirements, as discussed at Exhibit 11 page
3		39 of 628, can NLH confirm that individual units of property are tracked including
4		each generating unit within a site, and each insulator within the system. Are such
5		individual units of property be tracked to show the precise accumulated
6		amortization on that individual insulator, for example?
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9	A.	Hydro separates significant components into individual asset numbers which are
10		categorized into appropriate units of property in accordance with IAS 16 Property,
11		Plant and Equipment. A unit of property represents a category where the assets
12		have similar attributes and useful lives. Assets that belong to a particular unit of
13		property are depreciated over the average life assigned to that particular unit of
14		property. Hydro componentized its assets in a hierarchy, flowing from a parent
15		asset to a child asset, where in the above example, individual tracking is done on
16		each generating unit within a site and on each insulator within a system. Therefore,
17		Hydro can accurately track the individual component of an item of property, plant
18		and equipment within a unit of property and the related accumulated amortization
19		on each component.