

1 **Re: 2009 Capital Projects Expenditures p. H-15 - Governor Control**

2 **Replacement - Cat Arm**

3 Q. NLH states that the closure of the accommodations at the Cat Arm site has  
4 affected the budget associated with the replacement of the governor controls  
5 for Unit #2 at Cat Arm. It is estimated that a further \$263,000 will be  
6 incurred, exclusive of accommodations.

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8 a) Did NLH explore the possibility of introducing temporary and/or mobile  
9 structures as a potential lesser cost alternative?

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12 A. a) Yes, Hydro explored the possibility of introducing temporary and/or mobile  
13 structures as a potential lesser cost alternative. While planning this project,  
14 several local companies and some eastern Canadian companies were  
15 contacted in an effort to reduce the overall total project cost. Suitable  
16 temporary and/or mobile accommodations large enough for the number of  
17 crew on site were not available. Accommodations that were available  
18 required significant amounts of repair/alterations before they could be  
19 transported to the site and set up for overnight accommodations. In addition,  
20 Hydro would incur labor and material costs to provide required services such  
21 as water and electricity once the structures arrived on site. Rental costs in  
22 addition to the costs discussed above determined that mobile and/or  
23 temporary accommodations that meet reasonable standards were not  
24 feasible.