

1 **Hydro Rural Load Growth**

2 Q. In June 2007, the Provincial Government announced the Labrador Coastal
 3 Electricity Rebate to apply to residents of isolated diesel-serviced
 4 communities on the Labrador coast and the Labrador Straits. The rebate
 5 brought the monthly basic customer charge and the rate charged for power
 6 to these customers in line with the rates paid by customers in the Happy
 7 Valley-Goose Bay area. Please estimate the load growth impacts that will
 8 result from the Labrador Coastal Electricity Rebate by comparing the 5 year
 9 load forecasts for Hydro Rural prepared prior to and after the rebate
 10 implementation.

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13 A. Please see table below that compares the five year load forecasts for Hydro
 14 Rural prepared prior to and after Labrador Coastal Electricity Rebate
 15 implementation.

Total NLH Labrador Isolated Load Forecast						
	Fall 2006		Spring 2007			
	Prior to Rebate		After Rebate			
	Implementation		Implementation			
	Gross	Gross	Gross	Gross	Gross	Gross
	Peak	Energy	Peak	Energy	Peak	Energy
	<u>(kW)</u>	<u>(MWh)</u>	<u>(kW)</u>	<u>(MWh)</u>	<u>(%Chg)</u>	<u>(%Chg)</u>
2007	12,921	54,960	12,847	55,055	-0.6%	0.2%
2008	13,106	55,782	13,267	57,037	1.2%	2.2%
2009	13,296	56,620	13,554	58,425	1.9%	3.2%
2010	13,501	57,512	13,722	59,287	1.6%	3.1%
2011	13,680	58,304	13,921	60,184	1.8%	3.2%
2012	13,857	59,090	14,103	60,994	1.8%	3.2%

Note: Gross peaks are the sum of individual diesel system peaks.