Q. Should the Board decide that Hydro must refund in a lump sum any portion of the
balance of the Industrial Customers Rate Stabilization Plan, please describe any
direct or indirect implications regarding rates, cash flow, earnings, financing costs,
energy supply, or impact on past, present or future customers that should be
considered.

A. The significant credit balance in the Industrial Customer RSP is mainly attributable to fuel savings resulting from the shutdown of pulp and paper production on the Island Interconnected System since January 1, 2007, the date that new rates were last implemented for Industrial Customers. This unfortunate circumstance could potentially result in windfall financial benefits (rates, cash flow, earnings and financings costs) for Industrial Customers, either past, present or future, that should more fairly be shared in another manner. It is Hydro's position that the Board has the jurisdiction and the authority to allocate the credit in the Industrial RSP in a

manner that it deems most appropriate.

It is Hydro's recommendation that the Board consider allocating the load variation component of the RSP in the manner outlined in response to PUB-NLH-15 so that all customers on the Island Interconnected System receive a fair portion of the fuel savings which results from the industrial downturn since 2006. A lump sum form of refund is one of the methods that could be employed to distribute the accumulated savings to various customers. If the Board, for example, were to approve the distribution of the December 31, 2009 forecast load variation component of the RSP that has accumulated since January 1, 2007 to all customers based on 2009 customer sales, the following credits would result:

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	Load Variati Allocation	
	(includes inter	
	\$	
Newfoundland Power	(41,070,009	5.41)
Abitibi-Price GF	(53,008	8.45)
Corner Brook	(914,693	1.29)
North Atlantic Refining	(1,812,735	5.53)
Teck Cominco Limited	(502,115	5.32)
	Total (44,352,556	6.00)