

1     Q.     **B-26, Provide Service Extensions, \$2,428,000**

2             Please provide the forecast loads, explaining any anticipated growth, for each of the  
3             regions for the period from 2010 to 2015.

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6     A.     The forecast loads by region are provided in the table below and are taken from  
7             Hydro's five-year Operating Load Forecast for Rural Systems produced in the fall of  
8             2008. This forecast is for years 2009 through 2014.

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10            In Labrador, new housing developments are being driven by the anticipated  
11            expansion at the Iron Ore Company of Canada in Labrador west and aboriginal  
12            community investments in Labrador east. There are also new institutional loads  
13            commencing in Labrador over the next five years including: a new long-term care  
14            facility in Happy Valley-Goose Bay in 2009; a new school in Sheshatshiu opening for  
15            the 2009-2010 school year; a new College of the North Atlantic building in Labrador  
16            City scheduled to open in 2011; and a new hospital in Labrador City tentatively  
17            scheduled to open in 2013.

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19            Load growth in the Northern region is primarily driven by two new schools  
20            scheduled to be completed for the 2010-2011 school year and a new Civic Centre in  
21            St. Anthony, scheduled to be completed in 2011. The new schools are located in  
22            Port Saunders and in L'Anse au Loup.

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24            In the Central region there are no major new loads in the forecast and a minor  
25            amount of load growth is expected over the forecast period.

Hydro Forecast Loads by Region 2010 to 2014 (kW)					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Labrador Region	136,516	137,473	138,328	139,234	140,230
Northern Region	47,358	48,187	48,325	48,478	48,615
Central Region	55,445	55,491	55,536	55,582	55,628
Note: Loads represent the sum of individual system peaks					
Source: Hydro five Year Operating Load Forecast, Rural Systems, Fall 2008					