Q. Does NP place any stipulations on firms who perform contract work for NP as to the threshold age or usage of Heavy Fleet vehicles used by such firms?

**A.** Newfoundland Power does not place any stipulations upon firms who perform work for the Company on a contract basis specifically related to the threshold age or usage of vehicles.

However, all contractors and subcontractors must adhere to stipulations regarding the condition of vehicles and the maintenance to be performed on the vehicles. The specific conditions are outlined below:

1. During the term of the contract, all heavy equipment to be used for the work of the contract shall be maintained to the standards required for Vehicle Inspection Certification. All heavy equipment shall have a Vehicle Inspection Certificate from a recognized truck and trailer heavy equipment repair facility licensed under the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Department of Work Services and Transportation - Motor Vehicle Registration Division. All inspection stickers shall be placed in the windshield of the heavy equipment inspected and all Vehicle Inspection Certificates shall be made available to Newfoundland Power upon request.

2. The contractor shall maintain, repair and overhaul all heavy equipment in accordance with the approved maintenance schedule and manufacturer's maintenance and overhaul procedures; and comply with all manufacturers' mandatory service bulletins or recall notices. The contractor shall maintain complete and accurate maintenance records for all heavy equipment, and the records shall be made available upon request from Newfoundland Power and/or any governmental authorities or agencies having jurisdiction.

3. The contractor will be responsible to ensure that all heavy equipment to be used by subcontractors hired by the contractor for the contract is maintained to the standards outlined above. Newfoundland Power shall have the right to request from the contractor a copy of the subcontractor's equipment inspection certificates and maintenance records at any time during the term of the contract.

4. The contractor or subcontractor shall forthwith replace at the request of Newfoundland Power any equipment that Newfoundland Power deems to be in an unsatisfactory condition, and the equipment deemed to be unsatisfactory shall be considered unserviceable in terms of the contract unless and until it has been restored to a condition that meets Newfoundland Power's requirements. Any necessary replacement of equipment, for any reason, shall be at the contractor's expense.