# Q. Please provide for the record copies of the quarterly customer satisfaction surveys for 2008 and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarters of 2009. 3

A. The quarterly satisfaction survey results for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2009 is not yet available. The quarterly customer satisfaction survey results for 2008 and the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2009 are included as Attachments A and B respectively.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Detailed survey reporting in the format submitted in response to Request for Information CA-NP-62 in the 2008 General Rate Application is no longer available. The detailed reporting was discontinued in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2008 as part of a reorganization of the Customer Service Department.

Quarterly Customer Satisfaction Survey Results for 2008

#### Newfoundland Power Customer Satisfaction Survey Results March 2008

March 2008's Customer Satisfaction Survey consisted of 1208 participants; 800 residential customers and 408 commercial customers.

#### Customer Satisfaction Index

Annual (Averaged)				Quarterly		
2004	2005	2006	2007	March 2007	December 2007	March 2008
8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7

Despite a rate increase January 1, 2008 and the typical challenges of the heating season our customer satisfaction stayed the same as last quarter.

## **Overall Satisfaction**

	Annual (Average)		Quarterly		
	2006	2007	March 2007	December 2007	March 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.70	8.67	8.68	8.75	8.73
<b>Commercial</b>	8.93	8.96	8.99	8.98	9.01

Of the 1208 customers surveyed 94% gave a satisfaction rating of 7 or better compared to 95% last quarter. Customers who gave a lower rating expressed concerns with the price of electricity and billing and meter reading accuracy.

98% of customers agree that NP power supply is reliable, 95% agree electricity bills are easy to read, 94% agree that NP encourages the efficient use of electricity and shows concern for public safety. Customers continue to rank reliability, price and safety as the three most important factors.

## **Telephone Satisfaction**

	Annual (	Average)	Quarterly		
	2006	2007	March 2007	December 2007	March 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.90	8.79	8.81	8.80	8.60
Commercial	8.81	8.62	8.79	8.44	8.59

Of the 398 customers who called in the last six months, 91% gave a satisfaction rating of 7 or better. This was the same result as last quarter. Customers that gave a lower rating expressed dissatisfaction with the automated telephone system, accuracy of outage information and not getting information needed to resolve their concern and poor customer service.

#### First Call Resolution Satisfaction

	Annual (Average)		Quarterly		
	2006	2007	March 2007	December 2007	March 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.97	8.32	8.64	7.98	8.45
<b>Commercial</b>	8.39	8.32	8.77	8.62	8.47

Among the 169 customers who spoke to a Customer Account Representative, 84.6% had their call resolved on the first call and 15.5% indicated they had to call more than once. This compares to 80.4% and 19.6% respectively for last quarter. The general satisfaction and telephone satisfaction ratings for first call resolution are significantly higher for these customers.

Those who called more than once said they didn't get information needed or the field work was not completed in the expected time.

## **Field Visit Satisfaction**

	Annual (Average)			
	2006	2007		
<b>Residential</b>	9.06	9.19		
<b>Commercial</b>	9.17	9.11		

Quarterly							
March 2007	December 2007	March 2008					
9.00	9.43	9.03					
9.04	8.75	9.43					

82 customers said they had a field representative visit in the past six months. Of those providing a rating, 96% gave a rating of 7 or better compared to 92% last quarter. Visits resulting in a lower rating involved estimated reading, damage claim and line work not completed in the time expected.

# **Customer Satisfaction Results June 2008**

Aı	Annual (Averaged)					Quarterly (Mean)	
2004	2005	2006	2007		June 2007	March 2008	June 2008
8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8		8.8	8.7	9.1

Customer Satisfaction Index

Second quarter's rating of 91% is up from 87% last quarter. This is the first time our rating hit 91% since December 2006. Improved ratings in the areas of first call resolution, field visits and telephone service, has positively impacted customer satisfaction rating. Our continued focus for improvements in these areas is evident, considering this quarter is at the end of a long heating season.

## **Overall Satisfaction**

	Annual (A	Average)	Quarterly (Mean)		
	2006 2007		June 2007	March 2008	June 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.70	8.67	8.60	8.73	8.72
Commercial	8.93	8.96	8.99	9.01	8.85

Of the 1211 survey participants, 94% gave a general satisfaction of 7 or better, the same as last quarter. Customers who gave a lower rating expressed concerns with the price of electricity and customer service issues.

## **Telephone Satisfaction**

	Annual (	Average)	Quarterly (Mean)		)
	2006 2007		June 2007	March 2008	June 2008
Residential	8.90	8.79	8.84	8.60	8.88
<b>Commercial</b>	8.81	8.62	8.74	8.59	8.30

Of the 300 survey participants, 90% gave a telephone satisfaction of 7 or better, slightly less than the 91% of last quarter. Customers who gave a low rating expressed concerns with not getting information needed to resolve their concern and poor customer service.

#### First Call Resolution Satisfaction

	Annual (	Average)		Quarterly	
	2006 2007		June 2007	March 2008	June 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.97	8.32	8.66	8.45	9.55
Commercial	8.39 8.32		7.91	8.47	8.52

Among the customers who spoke to a Customer Account Representative, 94.5% had their call resolved on the first call and 5.5% indicated they had to call more than once. This compares to 84.6% and 15.4% respectively for last quarter. This is a significant improvement in this area.

Call types requiring more than one call centered around field work not being completed in the expected time and difficulty getting information they required.

	Annual (A	Average)	Quarterly (Mean)		
	2006 2007		June 2007	March 2008	June 2008
<b>Residential</b>	9.06	9.19	8.94	9.03	9.57
<b>Commercial</b>	9.17	9.11	9.47	9.43	9.39

## Field Visit Satisfaction

71 customers said they had a field representative visit in the past six months. Overall 98.5% gave a rating of 7 or better compared to 96% last quarter.

# **Customer Satisfaction Results September 2008**

	Annual (Averaged)				Quarterly (Mean)		
2004	2005	2006	2007		Sept. 2007	June 08	Sept. 2008
8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8		8.7	9.1	8.9

## Customer Satisfaction Index

The third quarter rating of 89% is down from 91% last quarter. With the exception of General Satisfaction, which stayed the same as last quarter, the lower rating is a result of a slight decline in each of the other residential ratings with the most notable in Field Services showing a 5% decline. Commercial customers improved ratings in both General Satisfaction (1.5%) and Telephone Satisfaction (4.5%). Our target for this year is 88.5%.

**Overall Satisfaction** 

	Annual (Average)		Quarterly (Mean)		
	2006	2007	Sept. 2007	June. 2008	Sept. 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.70	8.67	8.65	8.72	8.70
<b>Commercial</b>	8.93	8.96	8.87	8.85	9.00

Of the1207 survey participants, 94% gave a general satisfaction rating of 7 or better, the same result as last quarter. Customers who gave a lower General Satisfaction rating identified price of electricity as their issue. <u>Telephone Satisfaction</u>

	Annu	ual (Average)	)			
	2006 2007					
Residential	8.90	8.79				
Commercial	8.81	8.62				

Quarterly (Mean)						
Sept. 2007 June 2008 Sept. 2008						
8.71	8.88	8.84				
8.51	8.30	8.75				

Of the 382 customers who called in the last six months, 92% gave a telephone satisfaction rating of 7 or better, an increase from 91% last quarter. Customers who gave a lower rating fell into the categories of not satisfied with information given, too long to get a response, incorrect or no outage information and poor customer service.

## First Call Resolution Satisfaction

	Annual (Average)		Quarterly		
	2006	2007	Sept. 2007	June 2008	Sept. 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.97	8.32	7.98	9.55	9.22
Commercial	8.39	8.32	7.96	8.52	8.13

Among the 228 customers responding, 88.6% had their call resolved on the first call and 11.4% indicated they had to call more that once. This compares 94.5% and 5.5% respectively for last quarter.

## Field Visit Satisfaction

	Ann	ual (Average)	
	2006	2007	
<b>Residential</b>	9.06	9.19	
<u>Commercial</u>	9.17	9.11	

Quarterly (Mean)						
Sept. 2007 June 2008 Sept. 200						
9.39	9.57	9.09				
9.16	9.39	9.32				

87 customers said they had a field representative visit in the past six months. Overall 95.3% gave a rating of 7 or better compared to 98.5% last quarter.

# **Customer Satisfaction Results December 2008**

Annual (Averaged)						
2004	2005	2006	2007	2008		D
8.9	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.9		

#### Customer Satisfaction Index

Quarterly (Mean)					
Dec. 2007 Sept. 2008 Dec. 2008					
8.7	8.9	8.9			

The fourth quarter rating is the same as last quarter. We exceeded our 88.5% target for 2008 by .5%.

## **Overall Satisfaction**

	Annual (Average)				
	2006 2007 20				
<b>Residential</b>	8.70	8.67	8.71		
Commercial	8.93	8.96	8.94		

Quarterly (Mean)						
Dec. 2007 Sept. 2008 Dec. 2008						
8.75	8.70	8.68				
8.98	9.00	8.89				

Of the 1209 survey participants, 94% gave a General Satisfaction rating of 7 or better, compared to 94% last quarter. 78 customers gave a rating less than 7; approximately 35% identified price of electricity, 17% reliability/power outages, 15% customer service issues and 9% billing/meter reading accuracy.

## **Telephone Satisfaction**

	Annual (Average)		Quarterly (Mean)			
	2006	2007	2008	Dec. 2007	Sept. 2008	Dec. 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.90	8.79	8.79	8.80	8.84	8.83
<u>Commercial</u>	8.81	8.62	8.57	8.44	8.75	8.65

Of the 273 customers who called in the last six months, 92% gave a telephone satisfaction rating of 7 or better, a similar result as last quarter's 92%. Customers who gave a lower rating fell into the categories of not satisfied with information given and no follow-up/returned calls.

#### First Call Resolution Satisfaction

	Annual (Average)		Quarterly			
	2006	2007	2008	Dec. 2007	Sept. 2008	Dec. 2008
<b>Residential</b>	8.97	8.32	9.03	7.98	9.22	8.91
<b>Commercial</b>	8.39	8.32	8.58	8.62	8.13	9.19

Among the customers who spoke to a Customer Account Representative, 90.1% had their call resolved on the first call and 9.9% indicated they had to call more than once. This compares 88.6% and 11.4% respectively for last quarter.

Participants who had to call more than once indicated they did not get a straight answer or information required and that field work was not completed in the expected time.

# Field Visit Satisfaction

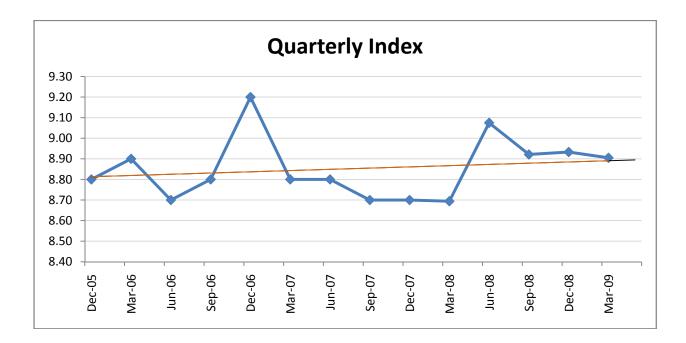
	Annual (Average)		
	2006	2007	2008
<b>Residential</b>	9.06	9.19	9.27
<b>Commercial</b>	9.17	9.11	9.38

Quarterly (Mean)		
Dec. 2007	Sept. 2008	Dec. 2008
9.43	9.09	9.40
8.75	9.32	9.36

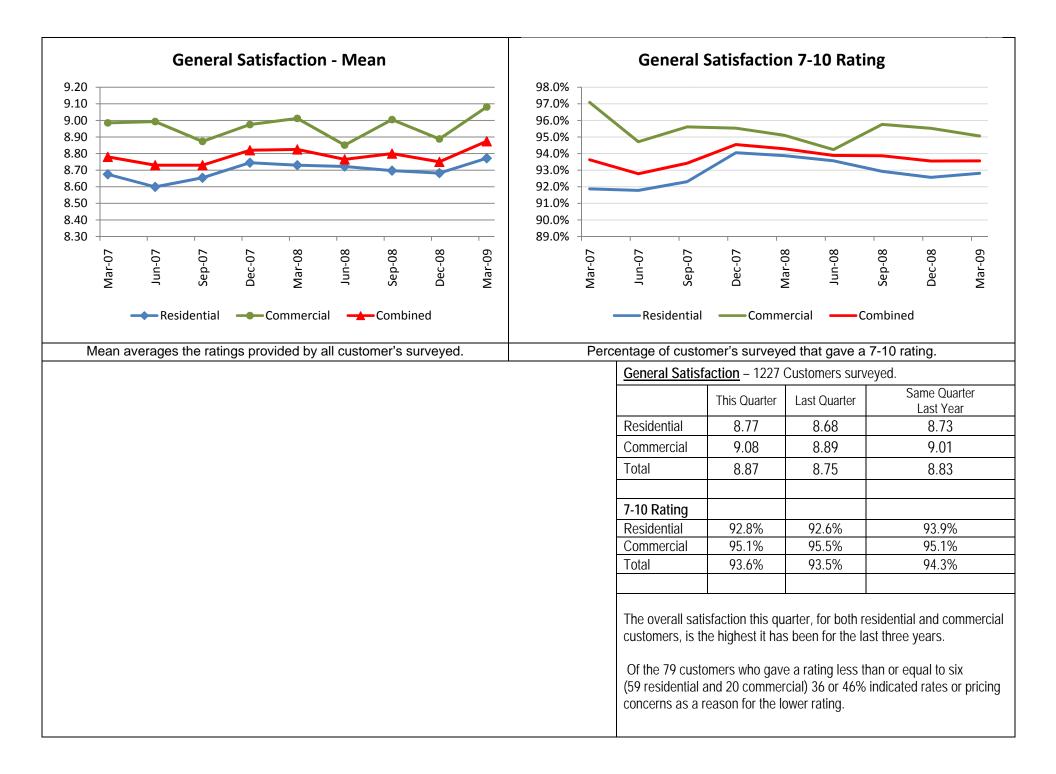
92 customers said they had a field representative visit in the past six months. 97.8% gave a rating of 7 or better compared to 95.3% last quarter.

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Customer Satisfaction Survey Results for 2009

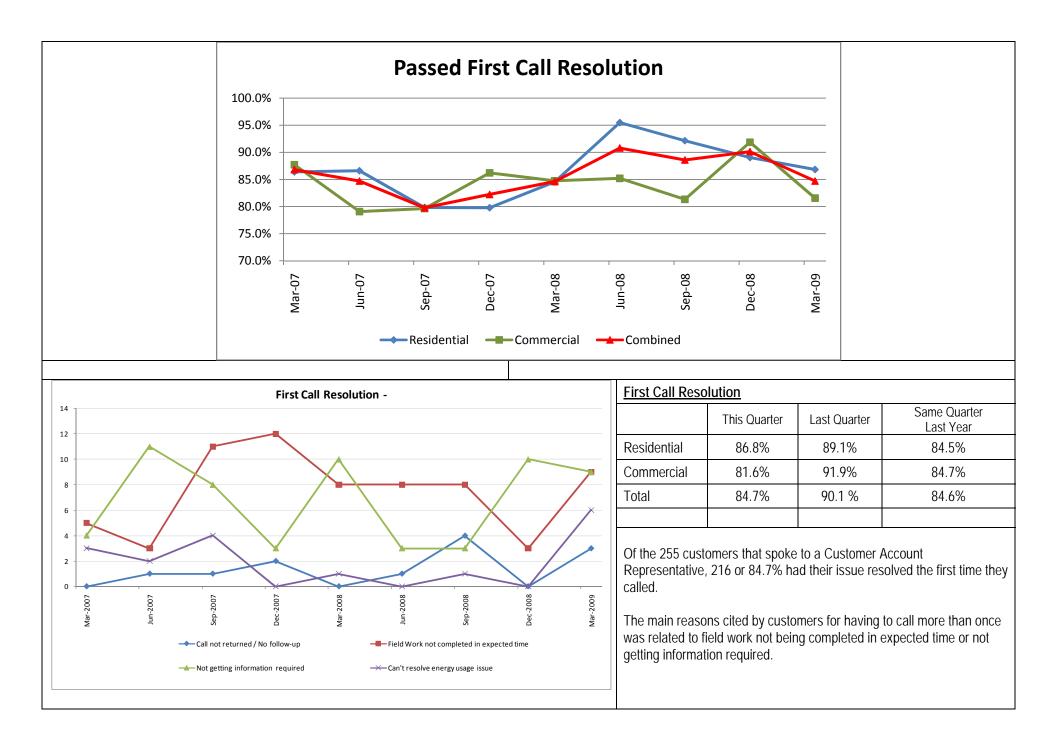
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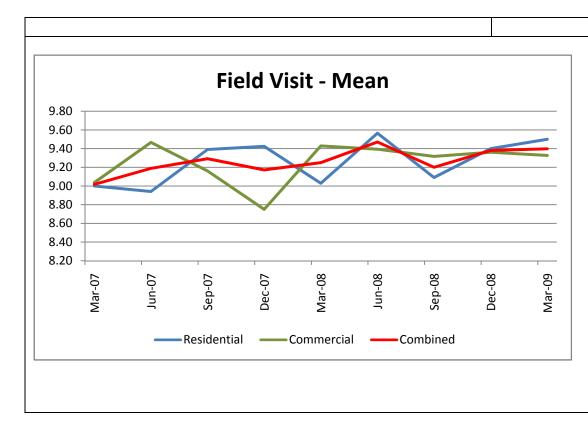


The historical quarterly trend is shown in the above graph. The customer satisfaction index for the first quarter was 89.1% and 89.3% last quarter. This compares with 86.9% in March 2008 and 88% March 2007. Quarterly results have fluctuated between 87% and 92% over the last three years. Our target for 2009 is 89%.



Satisfaction – 313 or 25.5% called in last 6 months.
This Quarter Last Quarter Last Year
8.79 8.83 8.60
8.90 8.65 8.59
8.87 8.76 8.59
89.9% 92.2% 90.3%
93.0% 92.5% 93.0%
91.1% 92.3% 91.2%





	This Quarter	Last Quarter	Same Quarter Last Year
Residential	9.50	9.40	9.03
Commercial	9.33	9.36	9.43
Fotal	9.40	9.38	9.25
-10 Rating			
Residential	94.7%	97.8%	94.1%
Commercial	98.2%	97.9%	97.6%
otal	96.8%	97.8%	96.1%

Of the 93 customers that had a Field Visit in the last 6 months, 3 or 3.2% gave a rating <= 6.