

1 **Q. Please provide an update on the activities of the Energy Conservation and Efficiency**  
2 **Partnership announced in the Provincial Government's Energy Plan.**

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4 A. The Energy Conservation and Efficiency Partnership (the "ECEP") is a coordinative  
5 body for provincial energy conservation and efficiency initiatives. Current members  
6 include: the Provincial Departments of Natural Resources, Environment and  
7 Conservation, and Transportation and Works; as well as Newfoundland and Labrador  
8 Hydro ("Hydro") and Newfoundland Power.  
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10 Until the third quarter of 2008, the ECEP functioned on an *ad hoc* basis. In October  
11 2008, Mr. Lorne Henderson was designated as Newfoundland Power's representative on  
12 the ECEP. The Assistant Deputy Minister of Energy Policy, Department of Natural  
13 Resources, chairs the ECEP.  
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15 The ECEP has met approximately ten times in 2008 and 2009.  
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17 The ECEP provides a forum for sharing information on conservation planning and  
18 practices. For example, the joint Newfoundland Power and Hydro Energy Conservation  
19 Potential Study and the Five-Year Conservation Plan were circulated to all participants.  
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21 The ECEP has enabled coordination of public energy conservation programming, such as  
22 the Province's *EnerGuide* program, which was launched in December 2008. This  
23 coordination includes ensuring consistent consumer information is made available about  
24 the program by all ECEP participants. Further coordination is expected but specific  
25 details are currently uncertain.  
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27 The ECEP also enables coordination between government departments. This includes  
28 matters such as the potential application of conservation to building codes, as well as  
29 Provincial Government facilities.