

1     Q.     In Order No. P.U. 14 (2015), the Board stated, page 13, lines 17 – 23:

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3           *"The Board has significant concerns in relation to the interim implementation of the*  
4           *extensive changes proposed in the Interim Rate Application. Hydro has not*  
5           *demonstrated that it is necessary or appropriate to reflect these proposals in interim*  
6           *rates established in advance of the conclusion of the general rate application. The*  
7           *Board will not approve the Interim Rate Application as proposed but instead will*  
8           *consider whether Hydro has demonstrated that base rates should be increased to*  
9           *provide interim revenue relief in advance of the conclusion of the general rate*  
10          *application."*

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12        In Order No. P.U. 14 (2015), the Board approved an interim base rate increase of  
13        10.0% for the Island Industrial customers, rather than Hydro's proposed base rate  
14        increase of 18.1%.

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16        Please explain why it is now appropriate to implement the base rates proposed for  
17        the Island Industrial customers in this Application in advance of the conclusion of  
18        Hydro's general rate application.

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21     A.     Please see response to NP-NLH-003.