

1 Q. Re: NLH Evidence, Section 2, page 2.48, section 2.6.3

2 Please describe NLH's role during the construction of the local electricity
3 distribution system in Natuashish prior to 2002-2003.
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6 A. The original understanding between the Federal Government and Hydro prior to
7 relocation of residents to Natuashish was that the diesel plant and associated
8 electrical assets (including the distribution system) would be built and then turned
9 over to Hydro for a nominal fee of \$1 to own, operate and maintain to provide
10 electrical service to residents of Natuashish. As a result, Hydro was asked to review
11 and comment on engineering plans during and prior to construction of the
12 distribution system in the community so that the finished system would be
13 acceptable to Hydro once ownership transfer was completed. Hydro provided
14 engineering comments on the proposed design but was not engaged in a full or part
15 time role to design or build the distribution system. Comments were provided as a
16 courtesy to the Mushuau Innu First Nation and the Federal Government in response
17 to their request to review the design to determine if it met Hydro minimum
18 standards.