

1 **Q. *Re: Tab 4.3 - 2013 Metering Strategy***

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3 **What is the average life for a new AMR and a new non-AMR meter?**

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5 A. The expected average life for a new AMR or a new non-AMR meter that is among a
6 group of meters tested under the new Measurement Canada sampling standard S-S-06 is
7 between 25 and 30 years.¹

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9 A group of meters that has an initial re-verification period of 10 years can receive a
10 maximum 8 year extension after the first round of compliance sampling, 6 years after the
11 second round, 4 years after the third round, and 2 years after the fourth round for a total
12 maximum life of 30 years. The length of the extension can be reduced depending on the
13 sample testing results. If the sample fails, the entire group of meters must be removed
14 from service.

¹ The life for similar models of both AMR and non AMR meters would be identical.