

1 **Q. [Account 342] – Please identify the number and corresponding dollar value of**  
2 **transformers that contain PCB levels that require removal in the near future.**

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4 A. The federal *PCB Regulations* that came into force in September 2008 require that, by  
5 December 31, 2014, PCB levels in oil-filled electrical equipment, other than pole-top  
6 transformers and light ballasts, must be lower than 500 milligrams per kilogram. This  
7 requirement applies to the power transformers in Account 342.

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9 To ensure compliance with the 2008 regulatory amendment, Newfoundland Power began  
10 compliance testing of its oil-filled equipment in 2010. Where necessary, the oil is  
11 replaced or non-compliant equipment is removed from service.

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13 None of the power transformers in Account 342 will be removed from service as a result  
14 of this compliance process. The oil in all of the power transformers in Account 342  
15 meets the requirements of the legislation. However, testing of the oil-filled bushings of  
16 these transformers is ongoing, and will result in the replacement of any non-compliant  
17 bushings.