

1 Q. **Projects over \$50,000 but Less Than \$200,000**

2 Tab 26 Install Automated Meter Reading, Various Sites:

3 Hydro outlines at page 8 that for the deployment of the AMR in English Harbour
4 West and Barachoix service areas, the savings are realized from no longer requiring
5 a meter reader in these areas. What happened to these meter readers? Were they
6 assigned to other areas for meter reading, retained by Hydro and assigned to other
7 duties, etc?

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10 A. Hydro's Automated Meter Reading (AMR) project plan is to install AMR technology
11 based on attrition. Hydro develops its AMR project implementation plans for
12 communities where Hydro's meter reading staff have planned retirements. To
13 date there have been no forced meter reading job losses or unplanned job impacts
14 to Hydro's meter reading staff. Any reduction in meter reading staff has been
15 aligned with their requests to retire.