
1 Q. **Volume III, Tab 39 – Vehicles and Aerial Devices Fleet Additions**

2 Please list the unique equipment used by Protection and Control technicians and
3 Terminal station electricians. Can their equipment fit in vehicles currently held by
4 Hydro? What sort of vehicles does Hydro intend to purchase for these positions?

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7 A. The Protection and Control technicians would use a van or a pick up with a fully
8 enclosed cap as the vehicle fit for purpose. The equipment utilized by the
9 Protection and Control technicians can be delicate, cumbersome, and they need a
10 dry place to store equipment and protect it from damage. Carrying the equipment
11 back and forth to vehicles can cause damage to equipment, or be an ergonomic
12 hazard for employees. Vehicles are equipped with a work bench for their test gear,
13 power inverters to run the test gear when power is not available, and shelving to
14 carry the test gear and some spare parts. The Terminal station electricians use ¾
15 ton vans equipped with shelving and ladder racks for them to carry test gear parts
16 and tools.

17 Currently there no pool vehicles available that are configured to meet the needs
18 described above for these employees. On occasion, Hydro has a 'bare' pick up that
19 can be used, however, it is not configured well if frequently used for protection and
20 control work. Hydro also maintains a limited number of pool vehicles in our fleet.

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22 Hydro plans to purchase 4x4 vans so the crews will have vehicles that are able to
23 safely respond to trouble calls during inclement weather.