

1 Q. Re: Life: Please fully explain and justify why a 15-year experience band 1995-2009)
2 was relied on for life analysis purposes versus longer periods.

3
4
5 A. In the preparation of this response, Gannett Fleming has noted that the following
6 statement at page II-30 of the Gannett Fleming report is in error.

7
8 *"The aged surviving balances as at December 31, 2009 and the detailed*
9 *retirement transactions for the period from 1995 through 2009 for each of the*
10 *units of property were extracted from the plant accounting ledgers of NL Hydro.*
11 *This information provided a 15 year experience band that was analyzed using the*
12 *retirement rate method of survivor curve estimation"*

13
14 The above statement should read:

15
16 *"The aged surviving balances as at December 31, 2009 and the detailed*
17 *retirement transactions for the period from 1991 through 2009 for each of the*
18 *units of property were extracted from the plant accounting ledgers of NL Hydro.*
19 *This information provided a 19 year experience band that was analyzed using the*
20 *retirement rate method of survivor curve estimation"*

21
22 As indicated in response to CA-NLH-20, the detailed retirement records prior to
23 1991 were not electronically available for analysis therefore a longer period was not
24 analyzed. In the view of Gannett Fleming, this 19 year period provides a sufficient
25 history from which retirement trends can be determined.