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Q. Page 19, line 29 to Page 20, line 20.

Mr. Pous indicates "...the Board should order Hydro to investigate and present alternatives in a future proceeding as solutions to this problem. Those alternatives can be analyzed and judged on their merit and a more informed decision can be made at the time."

Given that this proceeding is concerned specifically with Hydro's depreciation methodology, is it not most appropriate to consider these matters as part of this proceeding? If not, please fully explain why it is inappropriate for these matters to be fully dealt with as part of a depreciation methodology proceeding.

Α.

If possible, such matters should have been dealt with in the current depreciation proceeding. However, corrective action is not possible based on the information provided by Hydro in response in either its depreciation study or responses to numerous data requests. Moreover, given the potential magnitude of corrective recalculation, it is more appropriate for the Company to actually perform the corrective action once it is determined, given it possesses all the data electronically in its accounting system.