

1 Q. **Tab 5, Upgrade North Cut Off Dam Access Road, Bay D’Espoir**

2 Does Hydro provide its personnel four wheel drive vehicles for the purpose of
3 travelling the road for inspection and maintenance of its hydraulic structures?

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6 A. Yes, Hydro does provide four-wheel drive vehicles for the purpose of travelling the
7 road for regular maintenance inspections of the LD-2 and LD-6 hydraulic structures.

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9 The primary reason to rehabilitate this road is to bring it to a condition such that
10 heavy equipment can be transported to site to perform repairs to the earth filled
11 structures in an emergency condition. The potential for destruction of the
12 powerhouse and communities down-stream of LD-2 necessitates being able to
13 quickly execute earth structure repairs at the early stage of failure. Therefore,
14 returning the road drainage system to its original condition and returning the road
15 surface to a class B driving service is required to enable a timely response.