

1 Q. **Project C-44, Refurbish Anchors and Footings**

2 On page 9 of the report filed at Volume II, Tab 19, Hydro states that the proactive
3 refurbishment and/or replacement of anchors and footings is common among
4 utility companies. Provide support for this statement.

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7 A. This statement is meant to indicate that it is good engineering practice to
8 proactively refurbish deteriorated infrastructure to prevent its failure, rather than
9 reactively refurbish after a failure occurs. The statement that it is common practice
10 is based on conversations with other utilities. However, Hydro believes, in the case
11 of transmission tower anchors and footings, this proactive refurbishment is
12 necessary to prevent tower failures and the associated safety hazards and
13 unplanned outages.