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## **Volume 2, Tab 8 – Customer, Energy and Demand Forecast**

4 5 6 Q. With respect to system losses, please provide a comparison between the system losses forecast for the test year at NP's last GRA versus actual and explain the reason for any over-estimate or under-estimate.

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A. Table 1 compares the system losses forecast for the 2003 and 2004 test years at Newfoundland Power's last GRA with actual losses.

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Table 1 Comparison of Test Year and Actual System Losses (GWh)

	2003	2004
Forecast System Losses:		
Energy Sales	4,852.2	4,927.0
Company Use	11.8	11.8
System Losses	256.1	259.8
Total Produced & Purchased	5,120.1	5,198.6
System Losses	5.0%	5.0%
<b>Actual System Losses:</b>		
Energy Sales	4,882.0	4,978.6
Company Use	12.2	12.5
System Losses	256.1	274.4
Total Produced & Purchased	5,150.3	5,265.5
System Losses	5.0%	5.2%

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System losses for 2003 and 2004 were forecast to be 5.0%. The higher actual losses experienced in 2004 resulted primarily from higher than expected energy sales. Losses tend to increase as system load increases.