

1 Q. Have transmission lines inspection and maintenance (CM and PM) practices  
2 changed since 2009? Are there any changes beginning in 2014? Explain in detail any  
3 changes in transmission lines inspections and maintenance, including any changes  
4 beginning in 2014.

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7 A. There have been no changes to the transmission line inspection and maintenance  
8 practices since 2009. However, in 2014, high definition digital cameras were  
9 purchased for all transmission line maintenance crews. These are used to assist in  
10 the inspection of transmission line structure hardware components by providing  
11 close-up views of the items to help determine if deficiencies exist (i.e., worn items,  
12 corrosion, etc.). In addition, excavation below ground line (GL) inspections will be  
13 included in the 2014 wood pole line management program at every tenth structure.

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15 Please refer to Hydro's response to PUB-NLH-172 for additional details on  
16 transmission line inspection and maintenance practices.