

1 Q. If new customers such as Aur are not responsible for the historical balance,
2 will these customers be responsible for that portion of the RSP that relates to
3 the Fuel Cost Variation for the period before entering the system?
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6 A. The Historical Plan of the RSP contains large balances specifically
7 identifiable as having occurred prior to 2004. The current plan, other than
8 the hydraulic component, is designed to account for annual variances from
9 the test year. The Hydraulic Variation customer class assignment includes
10 activity since 2004. New Industrial Customers will cause a current load
11 variation in the plan, and contribute to the current fuel variation. Due to these
12 combined factors, Hydro is not proposing that Aur Resources Inc. be exempt
13 from any portion of the Current Plan.