

1 **Q. In reference to the evidence of Philip Hughes, page 2, line 9, re decrease in**
2 **workforce, please provide the number of persons hired on a contractual basis for**
3 **the years 1993 to the current year.**
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5 A. Newfoundland Power does not generally hire employees on a contractual basis.
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7 The Company does utilize external contractors for the provision of various services such
8 as pole setting, janitorial and consulting services. The Company is not aware of the exact
9 number of people that a contractor may use in the provision of these services to
10 Newfoundland Power. The allotment of resources required to provide the contracted
11 services is the responsibility of the contractor.