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## Q. In reference to the evidence of Philip Hughes, page 12, line 12, please provide details as to the numbers of persons who have been hired by the Company since 1998 as apprentice linespersons, journeypersons and engineers.

A. Table 1 below provides the number of apprentice linepersons, journeypersons and engineers hired by the Company since 1998.

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Table 1 New Hires Apprentice Linepersons, Journeypersons and Engineers 1998 to 2002						
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Total
Journeypersons	4	1	4	8	0	17
Apprentice Linepersons	3	4	0	0	0	7
Engineers	1	2	2	3	2	10
Temporary Journeypersons	6	5	1	9	11	n/a <sup>1</sup>
Temporary Apprentice Linepersons	1	0	0	4	0	n/a <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Temporary employees are usually hired for short durations and do not necessarily remain employed with the Company from one year to the next.