

Requests for Information

Q. In reference to the evidence of Earl Ludlow, page 18, Table 10, Operating Expenses – Fleet Operating and Maintenance, please provide the forecast versus actuals, year over year, from 1996 to current and the percent of increase/decrease, as the case may be, in forecast versus actuals.

A. Table 1 below provides a comparison of actual versus forecast Operating Expenses-Fleet Operating and Maintenance for the period 1996 to forecast 2004.

Table 1 Operating Expenses Fleet Operating and Maintenance 1996 – 2004F (\$000s)				
Year	Forecast	Actual	Variance – Over (Under)	
			\$	%
1996	- ¹	\$2,297	n/a	n/a
1997	- ¹	2,418	n/a	n/a
1998	2,013	2,183	\$170	8.4
1999	2,046	1,866	(160)	(8.8)
2000	1,440	1,592	152	10.6
2001	1,551	1,481	(70)	(4.5)
2002	1,409	1,567	158	11.2
2003	1,450	n/a	n/a	n/a
2004	1,486	n/a	n/a	n/a

¹ Actual 1996 and 1997 expenses have been recategorized for comparative purposes in accordance with approved changes to the Company's System of Accounts. Forecast expenses for 1996 and 1997 are not readily available on the same comparative basis.