1Q.In reference to the evidence of Earl Ludlow, page 19, line 17, re meter reading,2please provide that operating expense, year over year, from 1996 to current in3actual dollars.

3 actual dollars.
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5 A. Table 1 below provides a summary of annual operating expenses associated with meter reading for the period 1996 to forecast 2002.

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Table 1 Operating Expenses: Meter Reading 1996 – 2002F	
Year	(\$000s)
1996	1,931
1997	2,210
1998	1,846
1999	1,967
2000	1,884
2001	1,949
2002F	2,333

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