1 2 3	Q.	What was the cost of the Acres study for establishing the normal stream flows for Newfoundland Power's hydro plants and does Newfoundland Power anticipate that the proposed 2005 study would entail a similar cost?
5	A.	The total cost of engineering services provided by Acres International Ltd. in producing the <i>Water Management Study</i> (December 2000) was \$217,475.

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While the Company has not yet requested firm prices from qualified consultants, the proposed 2005 study to update the estimate of normal hydroelectric production will have a narrower scope due to the fact that it will not be necessary to repeat initial set-up of the required hydrologic models. It is therefore expected that the cost of the 2005 study will be substantially less.