

1 **Q. In reference to CA221, the total company debt was forecast to increase 5.5% to**
2 **\$357,505,000 and in CA221 (1st Rev.) the company debt for 2002 is stated at**
3 **\$351,845,000 with a percent of increase of 3.8%. Please explain in detail this**
4 **difference.**

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6 A. The difference in the Company's forecast and actual total debt as at December 31, 2002
7 is due to a lower than forecast need for short-term borrowings.

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9 Exhibit BVP-1 (1st Revision), page 4 of 9, provides the Company's actual cash flow for
10 2002. A comparison of actual cash flow with forecast cash flow as of October 2002
11 indicates that lower working capital, partially offset by increased capital expenditures,
12 contributed to lower short-term borrowing requirements as of December 31, 2002 in the
13 amount of approximately \$5.7 million.