

Q. **2004 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE STATUS REPORT****PUB 68 Note 23 Additions to Real Property - Variance: \$97,000**

Identify any variations from the original budget. Include details of the identification of the need for each project, the reason for the undertaking at this time of this particular project, the total cost of each project, and any other relevant information.

- A. The table below provides a detailed summary of the projects that contributed to the forecast variance from budget for the Additions to Real Property category for 2004.

Additions to Real Property 2004 Variances			
Project	Original Budget	2004 Forecast	Variance
1) Automatic door openers - Duffy Place	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500
2) Elevator upgrades - Kenmount & Duffy	0	7,000	7,000
3) Fire suppression system upgrade - Kenmount	0	10,600	10,600
4) Mechanical Maintenance Shop - Duffy Place	0	49,000	49,000
5) Electrical Maintenance Facility - Topsail Road	20,000	38,000	18,000
Totals	\$20,000	\$117,100	\$97,100

The following information is provided regarding the need for each project and the reason for undertaking the projects at this time:

- 1) Automatic Door Openers (Duffy Place) - Three automated doors were installed between the Stores and Metering areas at the Duffy Place facility. These installations were required to improve traffic flow and workplace safety for Storekeepers transporting materials.
- 2) Elevator Upgrades - Infrared motion detection devices were installed in the elevator doors at both the Kenmount Road and Duffy Place buildings to address deficiencies that had resulted in two separate personal safety incidents whereby people were hit by the closing elevator doors.
- 3) Fire Suppression System - Additional smoke and fire alarms are being installed to enhance fire detection for the Kenmount Road building on the recommendation of the Company's property insurance inspectors.

- 1 4) Mechanical Maintenance Shop Duffy Place - Some renovations were required in
2 2004 to accommodate the installation of office furniture and workstations for
3 additional staff assigned to work on the Asset Management initiative for the
4 Generation group. Additional expenditures to complete these renovations are
5 proposed in the 2005 Capital Budget Application.
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7 5) Electrical Maintenance Facility (Topsail Road) - The original renovation plan for the
8 Topsail Road facility involved the installation of a retractable enclosure. However, as
9 a result of the reprioritization of activities at the facility, particularly the Asset
10 Management initiative, other renovations were required to provide additional office
11 space and an acceptable work environment for staff of the Substation group.