## Q. <u>DISTRIBUTION</u>

Relocate/Replace Distribution Lines for Third Parties (Pooled) - \$541,000

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Relocate/Replace Distribution Lines for Third Parties (Pooled), \$541,000, p. 35 of 65 Does this classification include all capital projects undertaken as a result of CIACs? If not, please explain the variance between the original budget for 2006 of \$685,000 and the current forecast for 2006 of \$1,640,000.

A. Other capital budget projects, such as the Distribution Extensions project, include capital items that involve the payment of CIACs.

All projects carried out under the Relocate/Replace Distribution Lines for Third Parties are initiated as a result of customer requests. A CIAC is always a consideration for such projects. The CIAC amount is determined in accordance with Section 9(c) of the *Schedule of Rates, Rules & Regulations* as approved by the Board which states:

 "Where special facilities are required or requested by the Customer or any facility is relocated at the request of the Customer, the Customer shall pay the Company in advance the estimated additional cost of providing the special facilities and the estimated cost of the relocation less any betterment."

The increase in the Relocate/Replace Distribution Lines for Third Parties in 2006 is required to upgrade distribution lines to accommodate a third party request to place a fibre optic cable on poles owned by Newfoundland Power (\$855,000) and a request by the City of St. John's to relocate distribution lines between Savannah Park Drive and Portugal Cove Road (\$100,000).

The variance explanation can be found in Newfoundland Power's 2007 Capital Budget
Application, Volume I, 2006 Capital Expenditure Status Report, Appendix A, Page 1 of 1,
Note 3.