

1 Q. Re: 2013 Capital Projects 50,000 and Over but less than 200,000: p. E-113 Legal
2 Survey of Primary Distribution Line Right of Way:
3 The evidence at page E-155 indicates that Hydro has had difficulties with the use of
4 outside consultants on this project, whether it be the need for edits and corrections
5 or cost. Has Hydro examined whether the remaining 1,385 kms of distribution lines
6 that remain to be surveyed could be done more quickly and at less cost if in-house
7 surveyors were dedicated to this work or a surveyor(s) was hired to complete this
8 task.

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11 A. Hydro has not examined whether the remaining survey work could be done more
12 quickly and at less cost if in-house surveyors were hired to complete this task.
13 Hydro's in-house staff does not have the capacity to complete this work. Recently it
14 took some time for Hydro to fill a permanent surveyor position. Hydro's experience
15 is that professional surveyors are in high demand in the Province. Hydro believes
16 therefore, that it would not be possible to hire professional survey staff on a
17 temporary or term basis, to complete this work.