Date: 5/20/2011 4:48:02 PM From: "Thompson, Robert"

To: "Taylor, Brian W.", "Dunderdale, Kathy"

Subject: Draft Question for PUB

Attachment: Reference Question May 20.doc;

Here is the draft core question to be posed to PUB. It has been the subject of review by NR, Justice, Nalcor and general consultation with PUB. We can discuss on Tuesday morning to finalize it.

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- The system planning assumptions and process used by NLH in comparing the two options; and
- The assumptions used by NLH and Nalcor for developing and comparing the estimated costs for delivery of power to NLH from the two options.

From: Bown, Charles W. **Sent:** Friday, May 20, 2011 1:36 PM

To: Thompson, Robert **Subject:** Draft Question

Robert;

Please see the attached draft question.

Charles

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