

## GEC/PEMBINA/OSEA INTERROGATORY 2

### QUESTION

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Reference: B-1-1, page 3

- a) What programs are planned and what budget is allocated for each program that OPA intends to pursue in 2008 to address local supply constraints with targeted supply, targeted CDM or a combination?
- b) For each local constraint identified, please indicate the nature and extent of the supply problem being addressed and explain how OPA's proposed approach was developed in light of potential demand side and supply side responses identified. Please provide all studies that identify the potential for fast track CDM efforts in these particular areas and for renewable and higher efficiency generation such as CHP.

### RESPONSE

- a) As noted in its earlier response the OPA uses an integrated corporate working group approach to local area supply constraints such that resources will be utilized in Planning, Electricity Resources, Conservation, Legal, and Communications as required. This approach is in addition to the OPA's province-wide Conservation programs, which also impact areas with local supply constraints. One Conservation FTE is designated to assess the potential of these existing Conservation programs and to identify and coordinate additional Conservation efforts as required to support each local area program.

For budget and tracking purposes, the OPA does not separate costs on a program or project basis, and as such, detailed budgets for each local area supply program have not been prepared. In response to the Board's request of March 28, 2008, each division has made an estimate of the cost to address local area supply constraints. This estimated cost for 2008 is approximately \$3.6 million, as illustrated in the table below.

**Local Area Supply  
2008 Estimated Cosrs  
(\$000)**

	<b>External Professional and Consulting Costs</b>	<b>FTE Resource Estimate</b>
<b>Divisions</b>		
Planning	\$962	5.7
Electricity Resources	\$275	1.0
Conservation	\$115	1.0
Legal	\$650	1.0
Communications	\$30	0.8
	\$2,032	9.4

<b>Total Cost Estimate including FTE Resource Estimate<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$3,630</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Cost per FTE assumed is \$170,000 inclusive of: salary, benefits, premise, office and admin

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- 2 b) The OPA considers this matter outside the scope of this proceeding, however, some
- 3 information on the local area supply projects can be found in the Integrated Power
- 4 System Plan Proceeding (see EB-2007-0707, Exhibit E, Tab 5).