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## HYDRO ONE INTERROGATORY #13

## <u>INTERROGATORY</u>

At page 7, lines 15 to 19, Elenchus makes the following statement:

"If the incremental costs incurred by the non-incumbent are less than the costs that would be incurred by the incumbent, then the total distribution costs for all distribution customers will be lower if the non-incumbent provides the new connection. Furthermore, the average costs for the combined service area will be minimized if the distributor with the lowest incremental cost for connecting a location provides service."

Why does Elenchus take the short-term incremental cost approach for system expansions when the electric utility planning necessitates the long term strategy to optimize costs?"

## <u>RESPONSE</u>

See the responses to Board Staff interrogatory at Ex. J12, T10, S14 and LDC Coalition interrogatory at Ex. J12, T15, S20.

