

1    Q.    **Cost of Service**

2        P.U. 6(2012) and P.U. 9(2013) provided special rate considerations for Vale and  
3        Praxair. Please provide an analysis showing that the special rate consideration  
4        continues to be justified, and provide an estimate of when the special rate  
5        consideration should be removed.

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8    A.    In Hydro's view, the special rate consideration continues to be justified until such  
9        time as these customers reach mature operations and their respective demand  
10      profiles justify a normal ratcheted demand service agreement model. At this time,  
11      Hydro does not have any specific knowledge as to when this will occur.