

In reference to Schedule “B”, page 20 of 82 – replacement and spare substation equipment – at a project cost of \$1,107,000:

**Q. Please provide the dates on which the “deteriorated breakers and reclosers” at Rattling Brook, St. George’s and Pasadena substations were last replaced and what is the average life of the same.**

**A.** Table 1 below identifies the age of the breakers and reclosers being replaced at Rattling Brook, St. George’s and Pasadena substations.

<b>Table 1 Age of Deteriorated Breakers and Reclosers Rattling Brook, St. George’s and Pasadena Substations</b>		
<b>Substation Equipment</b>	<b>Year Purchased</b>	<b>Age (years)</b>
Rattling Brook Breaker	1958	44
St. George’s Breaker	1960	42
Pasadena Reclosers	1981	21

The most recent depreciation study, filed with the Board as part of the Company’s 2003 General Rate Application, estimates an average service life for substation equipment of 44 years.