In reference to Schedule "B", page 31 of 82 – Rebuild Transmission Lines – at a project cost of \$4,129,000:

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Q. Explain how these transmission lines were priorized for rebuilding at this time.

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A. Several factors are considered in prioritizing transmission line for rebuilding. These factors are combined with engineering judgement to determine which lines are rebuilt.

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- The factors are as follows:
- 1. Public and employee safety.
  - 2. The history of outages caused by actual defective or broken components.
  - 3. The type and quantity of deficiencies and defects that have caused outages.
  - 4. The type and quantity of deficiencies and defects that have been identified from inspections.
  - 5. The age of the line.
  - 6. The importance of the line to system integrity.
- 7. The type of line (radial versus loop).
- 18 8. The location of the line.
- 19 9. The cost of rebuilding.