

1 **Volume III, Distribution Lightning Arrestors, Appendix 2, Attachment B**

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3 **Q. Alternative #3 appears to assume that the number of transformers (sic) failures due**  
4 **to lightning drops immediately from 139 per year (Status Quo) to 21.75 per year,**  
5 **instead of ramping down from 139 to 21.75 over the five year period, as the work is**  
6 **completed. If so, please include the costs of these additional transformer failures in**  
7 **years 2004 to 2008 in Alternative #3.**

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9 **A. Assuming the number of transformer failures due to lightning is gradually reduced from**  
10 **139 to 21.75 over the five year period of the arrester program, the present worth cost for**  
11 **Alternative #3 would be \$2,616,677.**