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> Please provide any updated information with respect to furnace oil prices that is more recent than the January 2016 information (footnote #2, page 4, report 4, Customer, Demand and Energy Forecast (1st Revision)).

Table 1 provides a comparison of the January 2016 forecast of furnace oil prices and a A. forecast as of March 2016.

Table 1 **Furnace Oil Prices** (cents per litre)

2015	January 2016 ¹		March 2016²		March Versus January ³	
	72.81	-25%	72.81	-25%	-	0%
2016	70.21	-4%	59.58	-18%	(10.63)	-15%
2017	78.15	11%	64.68	9%	(13.47)	-17%

The forecast of furnace oil prices is based on the US Energy Information Administration, Short-Term Energy Outlook – January 2016 adjusted to reflect a 70 cent Canadian dollar.

The forecast of furnace oil prices is based on the US Energy Information Administration, Short-Term Energy Outlook – March 2016 adjusted to reflect a 76 cent Canadian dollar.

Furnace oil prices in the March 2016 forecast is lower than the January 2016 forecast by 15% in 2016 and 17% in 2017. The decline in furnace oil prices reflect a lower forecast of WTI and the impact of a higher Canadian dollar.