Q. Volume 1 (1st Revision), Chapter 6: Supplemental Evidence

What is Hydro's current estimate of the balance that may accumulate in the Off-Island Purchases Deferral account by December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2019? (Volume I (1st Revision), Chapter 6: Supplemental Evidence, Pages 6.3, Line 4, et. seq.)

A. Hydro has updated the estimated balance that may accumulate in the proposed Off-Island Purchases Deferral Account should Hydro use Recapture Energy and precommissioning energy from the Muskrat Falls Generating Station to displace thermal generation at Holyrood. The revised NP-NLH-115, Attachment 1 provides the results of Hydro's most recent analysis. Based on this updated analysis, Hydro projects that for the period from 2018 until full commissioning of the Muskrat Falls Project, the use of CF(L)Co. Recapture Energy and pre-commissioning energy of the Muskrat Falls Generating Station could create a balance in the Off-Island Purchases Deferral account of \$174.3 million, by August 31, 2020. The deferral account balance was forecast based on the proposals provided in Section 6.3 of Hydro's Supplemental Evidence dated September 15, 2017.

Hydro is engaged in confidential commercial negotiations for the purchase of additional power to further reduce thermal generation at Holyrood. Hydro is unable to provide an estimate of the deferral account balance should such purchases materialize. Should Hydro be successful in entering commercial arrangements which would impact the balance of the deferral account, it will file revised projections with the Board.

Table 1 Off-Island Deferral Account (\$ 000)

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Fuel Co	onsumption Savings		2018	2019	2020
Α	CF(L)Co Recapture (GWh) ¹		453	1,055	133
В	Muskrat Falls Pre-Commissioning (GWh) ¹		-	-	733
С	Out-of-Province Purchases (GWh)		-	-	-
D	Less: Losses LTA / LIL (GWh)		65	136	91
Ε	Delivery of Off-Island Power Purchases (GWh) ²		388	919	775
F	Test Year Holyrood conversion rate (kWh/barrel)		618	616	616
G	Test year price of No. 6 ³		\$ 64.41	\$ 87.11	\$ 87.11
H =	(E / F) x G		\$ 40,454	\$ 129,934	\$ 109,601
Fuel In	ventory Savings ⁴				
I	Test year No. 6 inventory barrels		634,795	600,125	629,732
J	Forecast No. 6 inventory barrels		624,751	565,950	116,178
K	Test year price of No. 6		\$ 64.41	\$ 87.11	\$ 87.11
L	Test year WAAC		6.61%	5.68%	5.68%
M =	(I - J) x K x L		\$ 43	\$ 169	\$ 2,541
Cost of	f Off-Island Purchases ⁵				
Ν	CF(L)Co Recapture		\$ 886	\$ 1,946	\$ 260
0	Muskrat Falls Pre-Commissioning		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Р	Out-of-Province Purchases		\$ -	\$ -	\$
Q	Total Off-Island Purchase Cost		\$ 886	\$ 1,946	\$ 260
R	OpEx for LIL \ LTA		\$ 27,300	\$ 52,900	\$ 35,700
S =	Q + R		\$ 28,186	\$ 54,846	\$ 35,960
T =	H + M - S				
	Off-Island Supply Deferral Transfer		\$ 12,310	\$ 75,257	\$ 76,182
	Interest @ WACC		\$ 407	\$ 2,860	\$ 7,323
	Off-Island Supply Deferral Balance		\$ 12,717	\$ 90,834	\$ 174,338

¹ Off-Island purchases expressed at Churchill Falls with losses, shown in D, to express energy delivered to the Island Interconnected System.

 $^{^{\}rm 2}$ Expressed at Island Interconnected System.

 $^{^{3}}$ The 2018 Test Year price of No 6 fuel reflects the 2015 Test Year.

⁴ For the purpose of the calculation of fuel inventory savings, if the forecast 13 month Average Volume of No. 6 Fuel Inventory in barrels exceeds the Test Year 13 month Average Volume of No. 6 fuel inventory in barrels the difference will be assumed to be zero.

⁵ The commissioning date for the Muskrat Falls project is assumed to be Q3 2020.