Q. (Rates and Regulation Evidence page 4.17, lines 13 to 17)

It is stated that the average embedded cost of Holyrood fuel included in forecast rates for the 2013 test year is 17.77 cents/kWh. What is the marginal cost of energy production from Holyrood in 2013, and forecast for each year from 2013 to 2020?

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Please see Hydro's response to CA-NLH-033 that provides Hydro's annual marginal energy cost estimates for the Island Isolated System for the period 2015 to 2017 in dollars per megawatt hour. Following the Labrador interconnection, Holyrood will be used in standby or emergency mode only. The marginal costs are based on the NERA Economic Consulting marginal cost approach for the Island Isolated Interconnected System. This approach calculates the marginal cost for the system rather than for each individual plant and as such, Hydro does not track the marginal cost of Holyrood energy production specifically. Hydro does track the Holyrood fuel cost, which is a significant component of the marginal cost of energy production from Holyrood. The following table provides a projection of Holyrood marginal fuel costs over the forecast time horizon.

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Projected Holyrood Fuel Cost at October 2014 Island Interconnected System	
	Energy \$/MWh
2015	\$133
2016	\$131
2017	\$130
2018	\$135

Notes:

- 1. Uses NERA Economic Consulting marginal cost approach (2006).
- 2. Fuel costs for 2015 as per test year, beyond 2015 per NLH corporate assumptions, October 2014.
- 3. Excludes transmission marginal costs.

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