

1 Q. The AMEC report, at page 50 of 231, states:

2 *Because the engine is rarely washed and has extensive*  
3 *corrosion and pitting, it is likely to have suffered significant*  
4 *performance degradation, which might have reduced its*  
5 *output by up to 10%.*

6 At page 54 of 231, the report states that:

7 *The unit is rarely washed because washing is normally*  
8 *performed largely to maintain efficiency. However, it*  
9 *would be beneficial to wash the Holyrood unit because of*  
10 *the buildup of salt on the first stages of the compressor.*

11 Since salt is detrimental to the operation of the unit, why was the unit not washed  
12 more often?

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15 A. Washing the unit to address the buildup of salt on the first stages of the compressor  
16 was a new maintenance activity proposed by AMEC for the first time in December  
17 2011.

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19 Hydro would have initiated this maintenance, but the unit was deemed to be no  
20 longer safe for operation in January 2012.