

Q. Project C-37: Perform Wood Pole Line Management Project

With reference to the “Justification” for the 2015 Wood Pole Management project set out on page 5 of the Tab 15 report, identify the percentage of poles sampled which did not meet the minimum preservative retention level, for each line inspected in 1998 (i.e. for each of TL201, TL203 and TL218).

A. The first sentence on page 5 of the Tab 15 report states “A 1998 inspection of TL201, TL203 and TL218, on the Avalon Peninsula, indicated that 48% of the poles sampled did not meet the minimum preservative retention level that would protect the pole against rot or insect damage.” Upon review of historical data for this question, it has been determined that this sentence is inaccurate. It should be noted that approximately 30% of the poles sampled on TL201, TL203 and TL218/TL236 did not meet the minimum preservative retention level. The breakdown of these sampled poles is presented in the following table:

<u>Line</u>	<u># Poles Sampled</u>	<u># Poles Not Meeting Minimum Retention Level</u>	<u>% Poles Not Meeting Minimum Retention Level</u>
TL201	19	2	11%
TL203	7	4	57%
TL218/TL236	17	7	41%
Total	43	13	30%

It should be noted that TL 218 and TL 236 were treated as a double circuit at the time of sampling and hence are presented as such in the above table.