

1 **Re: Page B-5, Upgrade Spherical Valve Maintenance Seals \$1,059,700**

2 Q. In the options evaluated by Hydro for the retrofit of these seals, was the
3 original manufacturer considered as a possible means of effecting savings?

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6 A. Yes, VA TECH HYDRO bought Sulzer Hydro, formerly Dominion Bridge –
7 Sulzer Escher Wyss, which is the original manufacturer of the Cat Arm
8 spherical valves.