

1 Q. Re: Account S16: Please provide a detailed description of the various studies and  
2 corresponding cost of each set forth in Account S16 – Studies, including all  
3 information and documentation the Company believes is significant or meaningful  
4 to the determination of life characteristics. The description should include the  
5 specific purpose of the system, who performed the study, and the resulting benefits  
6 of the study. Further, provide all reasons and justification, including all documents  
7 that support any position that an average service life greater than 5 years (e.g., 7 or  
8 10 years) is not appropriate.

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11 A. Please see CA-NLH-131 Attachment 1. This account was analyzed in total, rather  
12 than on an asset by asset basis, and the asset specific data was therefore not a  
13 consideration.

Below is a list of all assets in account S16 - Studies that were included in the data list used for Gannett's depreciation study

See Below

Asset Number	Description	Asset Cost Object	Start Depr	Cost Net of CIAC	Final UOP	Final UOP Desc	
299207	Security Assessment Study	1095	12/31/2005	82,495	S16	Studies	1) Forensic Investigations Canada
303249	Regen Waste Treatment Study	1095	2/26/2007	155,980	S16	Studies	2) Neill and Gunter Limited
303475	ERP Study - JDE Review - Information Services	1095	12/28/2006	47,493	S16	Studies	3) Hydro's Information Services
307135	Island Pond Development Study	1095	5/9/2007	975,159	S16	Studies	4) SNC-Lavalin Inc. (Mt. Pearl)
307717	Portland Creek Feasibility Study	1095	3/8/2007	516,507	S16	Studies	5) SNC-Lavalin Inc. (Mt. Pearl)
307828	West Coast Communication Study	1095	9/30/2007	140,889	S16	Studies	6) Kema Consulting
308990	Gas Turbine 2007 Assessment - HWD	1095	12/17/2007	112,084	S16	Studies	7) Stantec Consulting Ltd.
308991	Gas Turbine 2007 Assessment - SVL	1095	12/17/2007	112,084	S16	Studies	8) Stantec Consulting Ltd.
322464	Holyrood Plant Precipitator & Scrubber Installation Study	1095	12/31/2008	247,040	S16	Studies	9) Stantec Consulting Ltd.
322465	Holyrood Plant Intelligent Sootblowing Controls Study	1095	12/31/2008	106,919	S16	Studies	10) Clyde Bergemann Canada Ltd. -
323894	Hydraulic Structure Life Expectancy Study	1095	12/31/2008	122,721	S16	Studies	11) Hatch Ltd.
324692	Arc Flash Study Various Sites	1095	12/31/2008	258,892	S16	Studies	12) Stantec Consulting Ltd.
324693	Holyrood Stack Breeching Study	1095	12/31/2008	42,457	S16	Studies	13) Alstom Power
324706	Motor Control Center Study	1095	12/31/2008	23,295	S16	Studies	14) Stantec Consulting Ltd.
324707	Gas Turbine Assessment Study	1095	12/31/2008	28,759	S16	Studies	15) Stantec Consulting Ltd.
324708	Voice Communications Study	1095	12/31/2008	118,299	S16	Studies	16) Kema Consulting
325106	Study, Stator Winding Design BDE Unit 1-4	1095	11/28/2008	37,904	S16	Studies	17) GE Canada Ltd
325148	Replacement Study Programmable Logic Controllers - HRD	1095	12/31/2008	40,623	S16	Studies	18) Hydro's Engineering Services
334302	Marine Environmental Effects Monitoring Study - HRD	1095	12/31/2009	102,282	S16	Studies	19) Dr. Robert Hooper of Memorial University of Newfoundland
334440	Condition Assessment Distribution Recloser - HVY	1095	12/31/2009	26,906	S16	Studies	20) Hinz a Rockwell Automation Company Ltd
99041378	Flue Gas Treatment Study	1095	12/31/2003	59,397	S16	Studies	21) SGE Acres Limited
<b>Total</b>				<b>3,358,184</b>			

*urpose & Benefit*

- 1) Purpose: To assess our exposure in the area of security and safety.

Benefit: external party completed the work and prepared a report which identified areas of concern and gave Hydro direction on how to best allocate funds in the areas of safety and security.

- 2) Purpose: To assess methods for removing ammonia from waste water at Holyrood Thermal Generating Station.

Benefit: To assist with future capital planning to ensure compliance with environmental regulations and promote environmental stewardship.

- 3) Purpose: To select an ERP Strategy that will align and evolve with the needs of the business over the next 5 years

Benefit: Engage the business and make them an integral part of this decision making process for the future of JDE

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6) Purpose: To determine the most cost effective means of providing for the future communications requirements of Hydro's facilities on the West Coast of Newfoundland.  
Benefit: to determine the current and anticipated future requirements for telecommunications services.

7) Purpose: Perform a condition assessment study of the Gas Turbine plant with recommendations and cost estimate for life extension of 15 years.  
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9) Purpose: Prepare conceptual design with cost estimate to install precipitators and a scrubber at Holyrood.  
Benefit: To assist with future capital planning to ensure compliance with environmental regulations and promote environmental stewardship.

10) Purpose: Review intelligent soot blowing technologies for boilers and make recommendations applicable to Holyrood.  
Benefit: To assist with future capital planning to reduce the concentrated adverse effect associated with particulate fall-out related to soot blowing operations.

Purpose: Perform condition assessment of hydraulic structures at Bay d'Espoir, Burnt Dam, Victoria, Ebbegunbaeg & Salmon River and make recommendations with cost estimates to extend the service life by 25  
11) years.  
Benefit: To assist with capital planning to ensure the long term reliability of aging hydraulic structures.

12) Purpose: To complete arc flash calculations for various sites throughout the hydro system.

Benefit: provided Hydro with the arc flash levels for equipment throughout the system. The equipment was labeled which provided workers with the information they needed to ensure that they could select the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for situations where they were required to work or maintain live electrical equipment.

13) Purpose: Study alternatives for various types of boiler breeching construction and cost.  
Benefit: To assist with capital planning to determine the optimum solution for replacement of deteriorated boiler breechings.

14) Purpose: The Motor Control Center Study was required for the Holyrood plant to determine the arc-flash hazard analysis at the plant.  
Benefit: The study showed the equipment ratings of the motor control centers and identified where there were arc flash concerns.

15) Purpose: The Gas Turbine Assessment study was required to provide an assessment of the electrical equipment associated with the Gas Turbine Generator at the Holyrood Station.  
Benefit: The study showed the equipment ratings of the motor control centers and identified where there were arc flash concerns.

16) Purpose: To perform a NPV analysis of upgrading Hydro's voice communications network equipment, which was reaching the end of its useful life.  
Benefit: To determine whether to maintain existing infrastructure or migrate to the (then) new IP telephony systems.

17) Purpose: The study of the Stator Winding Design BDE Unit 1-4 was to provide information on the condition and suitability for service of the stator windings of the four units 1 to 4.  
Benefit: This study provided a summary of the condition of the windings and guidance as the future operating life of the windings.

Purpose: To evaluate the technical feasibility of replacing each of the existing individual PLC control systems within the plant with a modernized and integrated control system. Mainly, it analyzed the overall risk  
18) of continuing to operate with the existing systems and it evaluated the alternatives available when replacing each of the individual systems.  
It also included the development of budgetary estimates and the development of a prioritized asset replacement schedule.

Benefit: It allowed NL Hydro to perform a high level analysis of their existing PLC control systems in order to evaluate the overall project feasibility and the impact to operations after a failure of any of the existing systems. This information allowed NL Hydro to prioritize this work in their long term capital plan and more importantly allowed them to select the most economical alternative that met the current and future needs of the plant.

Purpose: To determine if the discharge of cooling water, continuous basin water and wastewater treatment plant water is having a measurable effect on the surrounding marine environment. The study was  
19) required by government as a condition of the Certificate of Approval for the plant.

Benefit: It provided Nalcor with an up-to-date report on our effect on the marine environment in the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station area and the study kept us in compliance with the Certificate of Approval for the plant.

20) Purpose: of this study was to conduct an assessment of the circuit reclosers serving the distribution feeders in the Happy Valley system.

Benefit: The study confirmed that the existing reclosers were adequate for the foreseeable future. Issues were identified with regards to the configuration of the distribution system during maintenance and emergency work.

21) Purpose: Assess air emissions control technologies available and applicable to Holyrood TGS.

Benefit: To assist with future capital planning to ensure compliance with environmental regulations and promote environmental stewardship.