

1 Q. **Project C-35, Upgrade Circuit Breakers**

2 What is the status of the application for regulatory amendment to allow the use of
3 bushings and instrument transformers with PCB concentrations of 500mg/kg and
4 greater until December 2025?

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7 A. Hydro received notice from Environment Canada on July 27, 2013 that the
8 extension has been placed in the Gazette requesting input on the change prior to
9 finalizing the regulations. See below the notice received by Hydro from
10 Environment Canada.

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12 ***“Attention: If you own electrical equipment containing PCBs***

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14 *On June 22, 2013, the Regulations Amending the PCB Regulations and Repealing the*
15 *Federal Mobile PCB Treatment and Destruction Regulations were published in*
16 *Canada Gazette, Part I. This publication initiates a 60-day public consultation period*
17 *during which stakeholders may submit comments on the draft text to Environment*
18 *Canada.*

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20 *If you own electrical equipment that contains PCBs in a concentration of 500 mg/kg*
21 *or more that are used in the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity,*
22 *the following information may be of interest to you.*

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24 *The proposed amendments to the PCB Regulations address a number of issues,*
25 *however, owners of electrical equipment containing high concentrations of PCBs*
26 *(i.e., in a concentration of 500 mg/kg or more), may particularly wish to review the*
27 *proposed text under subsections 16(2.1) and 33(4). Subsection 16(2.1) proposes to*
28 *permit current transformers, potential transformers, circuit breakers, reclosers and*
29 *bushings that were in use on September 5, 2008 and that contain concentrations of*
30 *PCBs equal to or greater than 500 mg/kg and that are located at electrical*
31 *generation, transmission or distribution facilities to remain in service until December*
32 *31, 2025. Subsection 33(4) proposes reporting requirements for this equipment.”*