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Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities Prince Charles Building 120 Torbay Road, P.O. Box 21040 St. John's, NL A1A 5B2

ATTENTION:

Ms. Cheryl Blundon

Director of Corporate Services & Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Blundon:

Re:

Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Combined Applications - Installation of Diesel Units at Holyrood for the Purposes of Black Starting the Generating Units and Supply, and Install 100 MW (Nominal) of Combustion Turbine Generation - Request for Update

Further to the Board's letter of August 1, 2014 and further to Hydro's letter of January 2, 2015 regarding the above referenced matter, enclosed is the original plus 12 copies of Hydro's status update for the following project:

Supply and Installation of a 100 MW Combustion Turbine Generator.

We trust you will find the enclosed update to be in order.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR HYDRO

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cc:

Gerard Hayes - Newfoundland Power Paul Coxworthy – Stewart McKelvey Stirling Scales

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Supply and Installation of a 100 MW Combustion Turbine Generator

Status Update Briefing—Jan 5, 2015





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(Includes only material updated since Dec 23, 2014)



Project Dashboard

The project is progressing according to plan and in compliance with Safety, Quality, and Cost. Commissioning and function testing has continued to date. Plant energization is anticipated for week of Jan 4, 2015 (weather permitting).





Progress & Schedule Summary

- Released from further Environmental Assessment and Certificate of Approval in place.
- Additional authorities having jurisdiction including all required permits in place (Dept. of Labour, Service NL, CSA, etc.)
- 3. Commissioning and operations manuals in place and operator training ongoing.
- 4. Anticipated change in status from construction site to operational plant site week of January 4th.
- 5. Formal risk review of energization plan completed



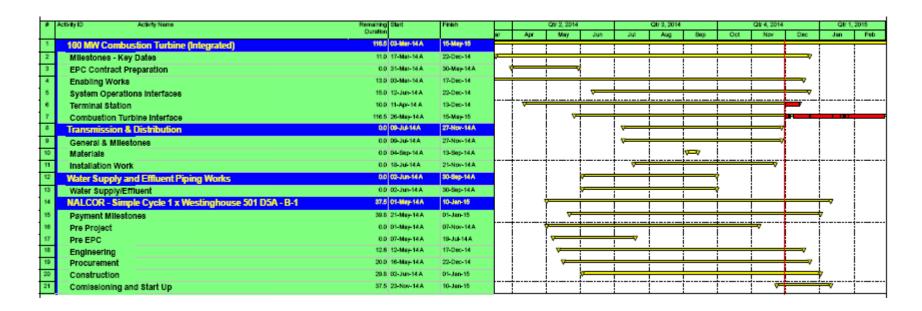
Progress & Schedule Summary (cont'd)

- 6. Formal approval of energization plan completed
- 7. Consistent with plan, safety stand-down to be completed in anticipation of energization.
- 8. Functional protection tests substantially complete.
- Cost S-Curve reflects tracking in compliance with original plan
- 10. Refer to Level 2 Summary Schedule on the following page.
- 11. Readiness for energization expected in next few days and will be dependent on weather window and ECC approval of required equipment outage.



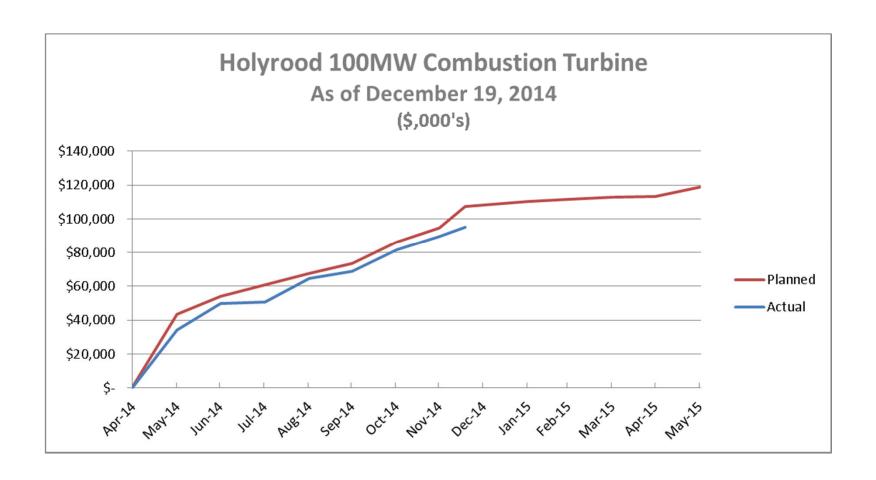
Level 2 – Summary Schedule

Summary level schedule provided below.



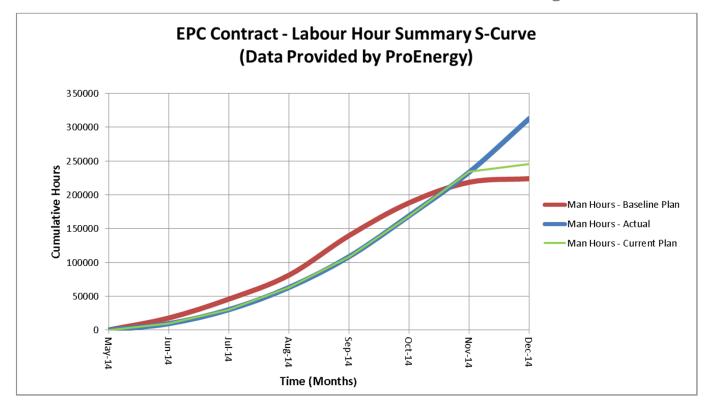


Cost Summary – S-Curve





EPC Labour Hour Summary



Notes:

Planned hours to Dec 31 (%Baseline Plan): 100% Actual Progress to Dec 31 from Schedule: 93.08 % Actual hours expended to Date (%Current Plan): 139.69%

Schedule Performance Index = 0.93 - Indicates tracking behind plan

Cost/Hrs Performance Index = 0.66 - Indicates slippage in labour efficiency, impacted adversely due to holiday period.

Total Hours to Date: 312,898 with 1 LTI



Risk Analysis

Two 3rd party facilitated risk workshops have been held to date:

June 26th – Focus on construction risks

Dec. 19th – Focus on energization risks

The resulting risk mitigation plans are being used to manage risk during execution of the project.



Risk: Construction activities lead to contact with energized lines leading to safety incident.

Mitigation: Relocate lines, power line hazard training for operators, use permit system, prepare lift plans, deenergize lines where possible.

(Jan 5 update – Full site safety standdown to be completed prior to energization)



Risk: Unfamiliarity with new equipment leads to delay in commissioning.

Mitigation: Training included in EPC contract; engage operations and commissioning personnel early in the process.

(Jan 5 update – Startup and Commissioning teams engaged and Plant Operator assigned for project and training has started)



Risk: Lack of coordination of work with all of the work crews on site leads to safety incident.

Mitigation: HSE Plans; Site Orientations; Contractor coordination meetings; toolbox meetings.

(Jan 5 update – Continue to have daily coordination meetings with relevant parties, and specific safety meetings where required)



Risk: During the start-up routine, the unit trips which results in customer impact.

Mitigation: Testing to be completed in the 0 to 40MW range to minimize impacts on the system. System configuration setup to minimize impacts should there be a trip. Corporate Communications engaged and coordination underway with Newfoundland Power on customer updates.

(Jan 5 update – this item identified in Dec. 19 risk workshop)



Risk: Lack of isolation plan or incomplete lock-outs leads to safety risk.

Mitigation: Isolation procedures are defined and a walk down completed prior to work activity. Boundary isolation approach used. Site stand-down planned prior to energization.

(Jan 5 Update — Walkdowns completed, NLH stand-down completed, site stand down to be completed prior to energization this week)



Risk: Availability of contractor and sub resources insufficient to meet project timeline

Mitigation: Secure local trade resources as much as possible over the holiday period. Engage additional subcontractor resources where possible to supplement the existing contracted resources. Source other resources for specialized tasks (e.g., Electrical testing)

(Jan 5 – Risk was partially mitigated with marginal success in both numbers of skilled trades persons and realized productivities, with a resultant impact on schedule to energization.



Project Photos



Photo 1 – Building Construction





Photo 2 – Inline Fuel Heating Panel





Photo 3 – Turbine Coupling





Photo 4 – 13.8kV Disconnect Switch





Photo 5 – 480V MCC in Fuel Pumphouse





Photo 6 – Inside Inlet Filter House





Photo 7 – Building East Wall





Photo 8 – 13.8kV Switchgear







