

1 **Q. Reference: 2024 Capital Budget Application – Intervenor Evidence, Utility**
2 **Management Responsibility Report, Midgard Consulting Incorporated, page 33.**

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4 *“Additionally, although utilities may be reluctant to forecast reliability improvements*
5 *associated with specific investments...”*

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7 **In Midgard’s review of Canadian jurisdictions, was it able to identify any utilities**
8 **that forecast reliability improvements associated with specific investments? If so,**
9 **please list the utilities and the specific investments.**

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12 A. In Midgard's review of Canadian jurisdictions, it was found that utilities generally
13 forecast reliability improvements in a subjective manner. These subjective forecasts are
14 included as part of the capital investment justifications. However, the quantification of
15 expected reliability improvement is generally limited to a discussion of high-level
16 reliability (i.e., SAIDI & SAIFI) or asset-specific reliability (e.g., asset availability such
17 as for Manitoba Hydro’s HDVC transmission) without a forecast of reliability post-
18 capital investment.

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20 Apart from rare examples such as ENWIN,¹ utilities do not measure actual outcomes
21 and then compare these results to initial forecasts.

¹ As mentioned in Midgard’s response to information request 8.1, ENWIN is taking steps in a positive direction but is still progressing towards comparing actual outcomes against forecast outcomes.