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1.0 Reference: None

- 1.1.0 Where would I find and possibly secure BC Hydro's demand / supply "forecast / outlook" first for the province as a whole and more importantly for Vancouver Island? Such a "forecast" presumably is the starting point for this development proposal and would of necessity also explicitly state all underlying assumptions.

RESPONSE:

For BC Hydro's demand/supply forecast for the province as a whole, please see Appendix I of the CFT Report.

For a summary of BC Hydro's demand/supply forecast for Vancouver Island, please see Table 5, "Vancouver Island Demand/Supply Balance based on 2002, 2003 and 2004 Load Forecasts".

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2.0 Reference: None

1.2.0 Does BC Hydro have a technical fitness report on the project developer that would enable interveners to gage the degree of risk such a developer might present in both construction and operations phases?

RESPONSE:

This Information Request is out of scope.

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3.0 Reference: None

1.3.0 Where would I find financial information that must be provided to the Commission that would allow one to know at what cost will BC Hydro be facing when it starts receiving power from this producer?

RESPONSE:

This Information Request is out of scope.

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4.0 Reference: None

1.4.0 Does BC Hydro plan to integrate the cost of power from this source by blending it into a global cost of production for electricity in BC or is it Hydro's plan to hold this new production facility separate and cause the customers on Vancouver Island to pay a separated tariff?

RESPONSE:

The former. BC Hydro's electricity rates for the integrated system are based on a "Postage Stamp" model.

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5.0 Reference: None

1.5.0 Does BC Hydro or this new producer own or intend to own very long term supply contracts for natural gas?

RESPONSE:

No. For further discussion, please see BC Hydro's response to BCUC IR 1.23.2.

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6.0 Reference: None

1.6.0 Has BC Hydro prepared a long term outlook for the cost of the principal fuel to be used at Duke Point?

RESPONSE:

Yes. Please see the response to BCUC IR 1.24.3 for the forecast of natural gas prices used in the Vancouver Island Call for Tenders Quantitative Evaluation.

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7.0 Reference: None

1.7.0 The EPA indicates BC Hydro to be the beneficiary of all “green credits”. Where would I find technical support for the prospect that the Duke Point plant will in fact generate such credits?

RESPONSE:

Purchase to Section 8.10(d) of the EPA, title to all “Green Rights” remain with the Seller, not BC Hydro. The extent to which Green Rights will materialize is a matter for DPPLP to address. The EPA includes nothing referred to as “green credits”.

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8.0 Reference: None

1.8.0 Is there a public document that describes the technical condition of the present cross gulf cables? Is there also a public document that provides a description of the cost of a replacement cable or cables and the expected service life?

RESPONSE:

This Information Request is out of scope.

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9.0 Reference: None

1.9.0 Where would I find materials produced by BC Hydro and presumably filed with the Commission indicating what more aggressive and technically feasible conservation strategies would curb present and projected demand?

RESPONSE:

This Information Request is out of scope.