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Sir:

I note that the statements in your annual general report, commit you to firstly take care of the environment, secondly meet the needs of the community and thirdly deliver excellent financial results and to track your performance along these three paths. I take this to mean that the terms “least cost” and “cost efficient” in your submissions is the assessment of these three factors through some measurement system and an amalgamation of them through a balancing or weighting of the bottom lines.

To date I have only seen details of some of the economic projections and calculations but I am sure after reviewing your web sight that you will have assessed and incorporated the other two extremely important cost factors.

- 1) Could you please provide details of how environmental and social cost/benefit was assessed and incorporated with this project and how the results were used to compare the same assessment with the other bids?
- 2) Could you explain how these assessment procedures were used to assess the bids, especially those that did not propose the use of natural gas?

It is my understanding that we have signed on to the Koto Protocols and will under them be required to pay for our pollution by limiting other industrial activities or purchasing credits from other countries.

- 1) Could you explain where in the energy purchase agreement or elsewhere these costs have been forecast quantified and assessed for this project?
- 2) Could you explain the details of how this cost was assessed for all the bidders to properly determine the least cost alternative?

Yours Respectfully

John A Hill

CC

Mr. Robert J. Pellatt
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