|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Ontario Energy** **Board** P.O. Box 231927th Floor2300 Yonge StreetToronto ON M4P 1E4Telephone: 416- 481-1967Facsimile: 416- 440-7656Toll free: 1-888-632-6273 | **Commission de l’énergie****de l’Ontario**C.P. 231927e étage 2300, rue YongeToronto ON M4P 1E4Téléphone: 416- 481-1967Télécopieur: 416- 440-7656Numéro sans frais: 1-888-632-6273 |  |

**BY E-MAIL**

March 28, 2017

Kirsten Walli

Board Secretary

Ontario Energy Board

2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor

Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Atikokan Hydro Inc. (Atikokan Hydro)**

**2017 Distribution Rate Application**

**OEB Staff Follow-up Questions**

**Board File No. EB-2016-0056**

Please find attached OEB staff’s follow-up questions in preparation for the settlement conference in the above noted proceeding. Atikokan Hydro and all intervenors have been copied on this filing.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed By*

Chris Codd

Project Advisor, OEB Case Manager, EB-2016-0056

Attach.

**2-Staff-43
Additional pole replacements
Ref: Response to 2-Staff-9**

In response to 2-Staff-9, Atikokan Hydro stated that it is planning an additional $100,000 in capital expenditures in the test year to replace sub-transmission line poles.

1. How many additional poles is Atikokan Hydro planning to replace in 2017 with the $100,000?
2. Please provide all information related to estimating the $100,000 cost.

**2-Staff-44
Cost comparison of new versus used derrick digger and service truck purchases
Ref: Response to 2-Staff-20 and 2-Staff-21**

At the referenced IR responses, Atikokan Hydro did not provide an economic analysis comparing the purchase of a new truck to the purchase of a used truck.

1. Did Atikokan Hydro obtain an estimate for the cost of a used derrick digger truck? If so, please provide that cost estimate.
2. Did Atikokan Hydro obtain an estimate for the cost of a used service truck? If so, please provide that cost estimate.
3. Did Atikokan Hydro estimate the additional operating costs of a used derrick digger truck as compared to a new derrick digger truck? If so, please provide that estimate.
4. Did Atikokan Hydro estimate the additional operating costs of a used service truck as compared to a new derrick digger truck? If so, please provide that estimate.