

1 **Distribution Feeder Remote Control, Schedule B, pages 26-27 (\$1,000,000)**
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3 **Q. What is the anticipated dollar value of savings in operating efficiencies to be**
4 **achieved from this project for the feeders involved? Please include the period over**
5 **which these savings are anticipated and provide details of the calculations.**
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7 A. The Company has not quantified the dollar value of savings from operating efficiencies
8 that will be achieved through the implementation of the Distribution Feeder Remote
9 Control project. The primary justification for this project was the need to replace the
10 existing electromechanical relays and oil-filled reclosers that are nearing the end of their
11 useful life.
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13 The Company does anticipate operational efficiencies as a result of installing the modern
14 multi-function electronic relays and reclosers that can be remotely controlled from the
15 System Control Centre. Examples of the expected operational efficiencies include:
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17 Reductions in travel to substations by technical and line staff to operate
18 equipment and / or install, and subsequently remove, work tags,
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20 Reductions in maintenance requirements resulting from utilizing the new low
21 maintenance devices, and
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23 Reductions in clean-up costs associated with oil spills from aging equipment.
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25 However, due to the difficulty in quantifying the exact nature of the operational
26 efficiencies, no dollar value for savings is available.