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#### Combustion Turbine (CT)

Project Briefing

September, 2014







#### Agenda

#### Presentation

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Technical/Construction Overview



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#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



#### Why do we need the CT?

- A component of our capital planning originally planned to be in place for 2015
- More power is needed in 2015 to support growing electrical demand
- Following the events of January, Hydro reassessed the timing for installation



#### What will the CT do?

- It will be used for high demand periods and emergency purposes <u>not</u> base power generation
- It will support security of electricity supply to the island for the winter 2014/2015 and beyond
  - Add 120 MW (nominal) of peaking generation capacity to the Island Generation System
  - Support forecasted load requirements in 2015
  - Support high peak winter demand periods
  - Act as back up after completion of LCP during transmission line contingencies
  - Provide blackstart capability at Holyrood until 2021



#### How does the CT work exactly?



**Combustion Turbine Electrical Power Generation** 



#### How often will the CT be in service?

- Expected to operate infrequently will not exceed 500 hours per year
- Used to meet high peak winter load
- Unit will be tested 2 hours per month
- Used as a blackstart at the Holyrood plant during emergency situations.



#### What is meant by "new unused"?

- The unit is "new unused" meaning it was not used, never installed
- It has been stored since 2008 in accordance with OEM (original equipment manufacturer's) standards



#### What was the inspection process?

- The CT was inspected by a third party independent engineer who has expertise in condition assessments of gas turbines
- Reviewed all of the maintenance records from
  when in storage
- Hydro engineers also travelled to the US to view the turbine and the Contractor's facilities



#### What is the cost?

- An EPC (engineering, procurement, construction) contract was awarded at \$99M
- The cost of the turbine generator itself (about 23M US) is only a portion of the project cost
- The total cost of the project is approximately \$119M



#### What is the cost? (cont.)

- The rest of the EPC contract includes the balance of the plant equipment and facilities:
  - fuel offloading and storage
  - civil works and underground utilities
  - demineralized water plant
  - transformers and electrical switch gear
  - building enclosure and associated systems
  - transportation; and construction facilities



#### What is the cost (cont.)

- The remainder of the costs (outside the EPC contract) include:
  - transmission lines
  - terminal station interconnection
  - internal engineering
  - project management costs



#### How will this cost impact rates?

- Capital investment does not immediately affect rates
- Impact on rates occurs when the projects are completed and Hydro applies to the PUB for the costs to be recovered
- The anticipated impacts of the CT investment (1% - 2%) will be included in the revised general rate application



#### What was the procurement process?

- Followed the Public Tender Act
- Received four proposals from vendors
- Reviewed by procurement, legal and engineering teams for commercial and technical compliance
- Conducted reference checks
- Completed due diligence review (including a review of audited financial statements)



## Did Hydro do an environmental assessment?

- Provincial environmental assessment process
- Undertook emission dispersion modeling
- Meets and exceeds all environmental standards
- No exceedance of ambient air standard
- Consultation/Community mail-out
  - Facilitated through Community Liaison Committee (CLC)



#### Other environmental considerations?

- Waste water
  - Directed to oil/water separation system
- Transformer oil spill containment
  - Concrete containment sump drain to oil/water separation system
- Fuel spill containment
  - New vertical storage tanks in lined earth dyke
  - Fuel truck offloading containment provided



#### Will it be noisy?

 Noise levels produced by the CT are not expected to increase noise levels already present at the Holyrood industrial site



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# Act as back up during transmission line contingencies •



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#### Are we ready for winter?

- Generation Availability
  - New CT in Holyrood completed in December
  - Maintenance, upgrades and testing on generation equipment on track to be completed by Nov.
  - This includes major capital work in Holyrood, Bay d'Espoir, Hardwoods, Stephenville
  - Critical Spares Strategy targeted to be finalised by November
  - Interruptible contracts with industrial customers



#### Are we ready for winter? (cont.)

- Transmission
  - Terminal station transformers
    - Sunnyside replacement
    - Western Avalon repair/refurbishment
  - Accelerated circuit breaker replacement program
- Revised severe weather preparedness protocol
- Overall expected investment this year: \$264M





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#### Scope of work

- 120 MW (nominal) Combustion Turbine Generator
- Liquid Fueled Diesel
- Balance of Plant and Building Enclosure
- Generator Step Up (GSU) Transformer
- Fuel Offloading and Storage (2.5M Litres)
- Demineralized Water Plant/Storage
- Interconnection to Holyrood Terminal Station
- Remote Operation Capability
- Black Start Capability







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#### 3D Model – CT Area







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#### Milestone schedule

Submit Environmental Registration Documentation Tender EPC Contract

Geotechnical & Topographical Surveys

Environmental Assessment Release

Start Construction

In-Service Date

April 2014 April 2014 April 2014 June 2014 June 2014

December 2014

- Fast Track Project 8 Month Schedule Conventional approach would take 18 to 24 months
- 2. Engineering, Procurement, Construction happening in parallel
- 3. Working 7 days per week for project duration.
- 4. 65,000 hours worked to date (>90% local contractor work force)



#### Progress summary

- Presently, schedule is tracking to plan. Target in-service: December 2014
- Site excavation complete
- Major foundations (CT, Tanks, GSU transformer) are complete
- Turbine, generator, and GSU transformer transported from Bay Bulls to Holyrood and placed on foundations



#### Ongoing work

- Underground utility installation
- Installation of various duct banks
- Air inlet filter house construction
- Fuel unloading station construction
- Transmission line construction
- Retaining wall construction
- CT mechanical hookup /transformer hookup
- Terminal station interconnection work



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#### PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHS



Foundation construction





#### Auxiliary transformer foundations







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#### Duct bank construction





#### Duct banks - backfilled







#### Turbine transport

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#### Arriving at Holyrood







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Aerial view







### Questions?

