Q. Reference: Holyrood Accelerated Depreciation

Please explain how the proposed Holyrood TGS Accelerated Depreciation Deferral Account will be treated in rate base. Will the account be deducted from the total accumulated depreciation included in rate base?

A. The Holyrood Thermal Generating Station ("Holyrood TGS") Accelerated Depreciation Deferral Account will not be deducted from the total accumulated depreciation included in rate base; rather, the deferral account balance will represent deferred depreciation expense to be recovered in future years. The capital asset will be fully depreciated (through accumulated depreciation) in the capital asset records and the eligible depreciation expense will be transferred to the proposed Holyrood TGS Accelerated Depreciation Deferral Account. As this amount will not yet be recovered in rates and will need to be financed by Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, the account will be included in rate base as a regulatory asset.