Q. Reference: Application Volume 1, 2022 Capital Budget Overview

It is stated (page 10) "... major work at the Holyrood Combustion Turbine, including the Increase Fuel and Water Treatment System Capacity project and Turbine Hot Gas Path Inspection and Overhaul project." Why is "major" work needed on the relatively new Holyrood combustion turbine?

A. Major work has been completed on the Holyrood Gas Turbine to ensure the reliable operation of the unit and the Island Interconnected System. The projects required for the reliable operation of the unit are primarily normal inspection and overhaul interventions of the gas turbine based on the operation of the unit as recommended by its original equipment manufacturer ("OEM"). Other major projects such as the expansion of the fuel storage and water treatment plant, were required due to a change in the unit's planned operation to allow the unit to operate for longer durations to ensure the reliable operation of the Island Interconnected System.

The projects planned for completion in 2022 include a combustor inspection and overhaul and the upgrade of the units control system. The combustor inspection and overhaul was an approved project as part of the 2020 Capital Budget Application, with completion planned in 2021. However, decreased operation of the unit has resulted in the deferral of this work into 2022. This project is a normal inspection and overhaul recommended by the OEM to ensure the reliable operation of the unit. The upgrade of the units control system is also planned for completion in 2022–2023. This project is required to replace obsolete components of the unit's control system, to ensure the continued reliable operation of the unit.