
2017/18 & 2018/19 ELECTRIC GENERAL RATE APPLICATION**Manitoba Hydro Undertaking #58**

Manitoba Hydro to provide the Board with its current estimate of the additional costs of Bipole III being on the western side of the province compared to the eastern side of Lake Winnipeg; and to review the number that it put forward at the Clean Environment Commission proceeding, and confirm that it was accurate when given. (TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT)

Response:

Manitoba Hydro has not developed an east side transmission line Bipole III cost estimate since the scope of the project was changed from an east side transmission line to a west side transmission line in 2005. Therefore, there is not a comparable east side transmission line cost estimate to compare against the current Bipole III cost estimate of \$5.04 Billion.

Manitoba Hydro did not submit a cost estimate of an east side route at the Clean Environment Commission process. The \$900 million referenced by The Boston Consulting Group in the PUB Counsel Book of Documents, Volume 6 page 132 was not provided by Manitoba Hydro and therefore, cannot be confirmed as accurate.