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- a. whether the project is on time and within budget; **According to all media, it is not. One of the major contractors is bankrupt.**
- b. the cost to ratepayers of suspending the project; **It was shelved once before and we survived.**
- c. the cost to ratepayers of terminating the project; **There is only a positive cost: saving farmland now and for the future - this is where most of the food in BC will be produced because of climate change, protecting First Nations interests, encouraging even more energy conservation, encouraging renewable alternatives - solar, wind, geothermal and the spinoff of a stimulated manufacturing industry (e.g. Denmark and wind energy equipment manufacturing)**
- d. what portfolio of generating projects and demand-side management initiatives could provide similar benefits; **I believe renewables could produce greater benefits, spread throughout the province - e.g. manufacturing components for low energy appliances in small town and villages would result in value-added benefits to the local, regional and provincial economy, and ensure those small places don't become ghost towns;** and
- e. what are expected peak capacity demand and energy demand. **Electricity consumption in BC has been flat for a decade. In fact, despite an increase in BC's population of about 500,000 over the last decade, electricity generation within BC is now producing a surplus.**

Thanks you,

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