Commitment 69] will be included in the OBRP. Under no circumstance will the ratepayer population be responsible for any default related to the OBRP."

XI. COLSTRIP

Q. Please describe the new commitment added by the Parties regarding the depreciation of Colstrip Units 3 and 4.

A. Yes, through new Commitment 76 in the Settlement, Hydro One and Avista agree to a depreciation schedule for Colstrip Units 3 and 4 that assumes a remaining useful life of those units through December 31, 2027. These units are presently on a depreciation schedule of 2034 and 2036, respectively. The undepreciated balance of $114.2 million will be recovered through (i) the unprotected Excess Deferred Federal Income Tax ("DFIT")~~/Deferral of the January April 2018 tax credit,~~ totaling $~~16.7~~10.4 million; (ii) an annual depreciation expense of approximately $4.533 million (Washington share) for a total of $45.3 million; and (iii) a regulatory asset offset by the amortization of protected Excess DFIT, i.e., over 36 years, in the amount $~~52.2~~58.5 million.

Q. Please describe the new commitment added by the Parties regarding "Montana Community Transition Fund".

A. Under new Commitment 77 in the Settlement, Hydro One and Avista commit to provide $3,000,000 in funding towards a Colstrip community transition fund. This commitment is not a cap on the amount Avista and/or Hydro One may ultimately commit to this fund.[4]

[4] This commitment, like other Settlement terms, will be funded as described in Commitment 75.