

Section 11 - PROJECT MANAGEMENT/EXPERIENCE

Attachment 11.3.1.2	Specific experience of the bidder for existing facilities - Phase II
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To facilitate long-term energy contracts entered into between Hydro-Québec and the participant members of NEPOOL, Hydro-Québec undertook a joint project in coordination with the New England utilities to construct the Phase II project (Phase II), the world's first multiterminal high voltage direct current system, which spans 932 miles between Radisson substation in the James Bay region of northern Québec, and Nicolet substation in the south of Québec, to Sandy Pond substation in Ayer, near Boston. Phase II was placed in service in 1990 and can deliver 1200 – 1400 MW or more to New England on a regular basis.

The Phase II transmission line is an important interconnection, because it has delivered billions of kilowatt-hours of clean, renewable electricity from the Hydro-Québec system for over a quarter century. During that period, this intertie to Hydro-Québec has operated at a high level of availability. Although the pre-Restructuring era energy contracts have expired, the Massachusetts Distribution Companies that are interconnection rights holders on the Phase II line continue to receive value from this project.