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the forensic engineer

\$7,000,000 JUDGMENT DEFECTIVE HYDRO JUDGMENT

The Forensic Division of Brosz and Associates is pleased to announce the successful conclusion of an investigation and long trial involving a faulty rewind of a large hydro generator at a pulp and paper mill.

An internationally known rewind company rewound the generator. Eight months later, the unit caught fire. Brosz and Associates provided initial investigation and loss control for insurers. Thereafter, Brosz and Associates provided the law firm of McInnes Cooper Robertson of Halifax, Nova Scotia, with the necessary forensic engineering expertise and testimony in the subrogation action.

The lengthy trial culminated in a judgment of \$5,000,000.00 for property damage and business interruption, plus \$2,000,000.00 interest against the Rewind Company.

Brosz and Associates has had a number of interesting investigations and cases, as follows:

- 1.0 Fatal house fire involving the incoming electrical service.
House fire involving a baseboard heater.
House fire involving a fluorescent fixture.
- 2.0 Two heat tracing cable fires involving an oil drilling rig and a historic building.
- 3.0 Three bus duct failures including six fatalities.
- 4.0 750kV power transformer/bushing failures.
- 5.0 Seven transformer failures.
- 6.0 Gas-fired bakery oven explosion.
- 7.0 Chemical storage tank explosion.
- 8.0 Injury while working on energized circuit breaker.
- 9.0 Automatic circuit recloser explosion and injury/Product liability action against manufacturer.

In addition, Brosz and Associates was instrumental in saving or recovering the following:

- Arbitration action between insurers involving issues of electrical arcing vs. fire on a \$1,600,000.00 electrical switchgear and cable loss. Brosz and Associates expert services resulted in savings to our client insurers of **\$700,000.00**.
- Hurricane damage to a utility power system and substation – Initial insured loss estimate was \$55,000,000.00. Brosz and Associates Loss Control Service assisted in saving our client insurers **\$45,000,000.00**.
- Client defendant insured contractor was named in a \$100,000,000.00 office building fire liability case. Brosz and Associates Forensic Services resulted in action/claim being withdrawn.

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