

**47.5** A power plant upgrade project takes two years to implement and has an initial cost of \$500,000 plus an additional \$250,000 at the end of year 1 and year 2. An additional \$100,000 retainage will be paid at the end of the one-year defects & liability period following project completion. The life cycle of the upgrade is expected to be 20 years from completion and the salvage value will be \$300,000. At an interest rate of 6%, what is the annualized cost of the venture?

- A. \$83,000
- B. \$91,000
- C. \$99,000
- D. \$107,000

Draw a cash flow diagram or make a summary of cash flows. This solution treats costs as positive.

Year 0: \$500K  
 Year 1: \$250K  
 Year 2: \$250K  
 Year 3: \$100K  
 Year 20: -\$300K

The cash flows in years 1 through 3 can be expressed as an annual cost of \$100K for 3 years plus an annual cost of an additional \$150K for the first 2 years only.

Use the 6% Factor Table in the Economic Analysis section to find the present value:

$$\$500,000 + \$100,000 (P/A, 6\%, 3) + \$150,000 (P/A, 6\%, 2) - \$300,000 (P/F, 6\%, 20)$$

$$\$500,000 + \$100,000 (2.673) + \$150,000 (1.8334) - \$300,000 (.3118) = \$948,770$$

Find the equivalent annualized cost spread over 20 years at 6%:

$$\$948,770 (A/P, 6\%, 20) = \$948,770 (.0872) = \$82,733$$

Alternate Approach: Discount each cash flow back to its present value individually:

$$PV_0 = \$500,000$$

$$PV_1 = \$250,000 \left( \frac{1}{1+i} \right)^n = \$250,000 \left( \frac{1}{1.06} \right)^1 = \$235,849$$

$$PV_2 = \$250,000 \left( \frac{1}{1+i} \right)^n = \$250,000 \left( \frac{1}{1.06} \right)^2 = \$222,499$$

$$PV_3 = \$100,000 \left( \frac{1}{1+i} \right)^n = \$100,000 \left( \frac{1}{1.06} \right)^3 = \$83,962$$

$$PV_{20} = -\$300,000 \left( \frac{1}{1+i} \right)^n = -\$300,000 \left( \frac{1}{1.06} \right)^{20} = -\$93,541$$

Take the sum to find the present value:

$$PV_0 + PV_1 + PV_2 + PV_3 + PV_{20}$$

$$\$500,000 + \$235,849 + \$222,499 + \$83,962 - \$93,541 = \$948,769$$

Use the same approach as in the original solution to find the annualized cost:

$$\$948,769 (A/P, 6\%, 20) = \$948,770 (.0872) = \$82,733$$

**Answer A**

**47.6 The air horsepower produced by a fan is 6.3hp. The fan has a mechanical efficiency of 80% and the fan motor has an efficiency of 95%. The fan runs for 12 hours per day. What is annual electricity consumption for the fan?**

- A. 21,000kWh
- B. 27,000kWh
- C. 36,000kWh
- D. 54,000kWh

To find the electrical consumption, start by finding the electrical demand by dividing the air horsepower by both the fan efficiency and the motor efficiency and converting from hp to KW.

$$\dot{W} = \frac{AHP}{\eta_f \eta_m} = \frac{(6.3hp) \left( 0.7457 \frac{KW}{hp} \right)}{(0.8)(0.95)} = 6.18KW$$

Find the annual consumption by multiplying the demand by the amount of time the fan runs throughout the year.

$$Consumption = (6.18KW) \left( 12 \frac{hr}{day} \right) (365days) = 27,074kWh$$

**Answer B**