**Simple Regression**. The European Engine Company (EEC) is a multi-national manufacturer of small gasoline and diesel motors. EEC has estimated the following cost experience for a new 3.5 hp engine over a sample of 122 observations:

COST = $8,500 + $32 OUTPUT

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| Predictor | Coef | Stdev | t ratio |
| Constant | 8,500 | 5,000 | 1.7 |
| OUTPUT |  32 |  8 | 4.0 |
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| SEE = $2,500 | R2 = 75% |  = 74.8% | F statistic = 360 |

where COST is the dependent Y variable and OUTPUT is the independent X-variable.

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| A. | Fully interpret these simple regression results. |
| B. | Describe this cost category as fixed or variable based upon the simple regression results described previously |