

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN RE: THE OFFICE OF ENERGY RESOURCES' : DOCKET NO.: 25-13-REG
(OER) BUDGET REQUESTS TO PERFORM 2026 :
RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH PROGRAM :
DEVELOPMENT :**

**THE OFFICE OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND/OR DISTRIBUTED GENERATION
BOARD'S RESPONSE TO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION'S SECOND SET OF
DATA REQUESTS**

(Issued June 16, 2025; Due June 18, 2025)

PUC 2-1

In Docket No. 25-09-REG, why did OER request to recover \$9,391 for regulatory process costs, when the actual expenses incurred related to regulatory support and billed to the 2025 REG Ceiling Price Development task were \$19,756.01?

\$9,391 was the amount allocated for the regulatory task out of the total not-to-exceed budget the DG Board had approved. OER elected not to seek approval of a revised budget from the DG Board and used its discretion to cover the additional costs due to the exceptional timing of 2025 program related efforts, re-procurement of REG consultant services and subsequent constraints on staff.

PUC 2-2

The Commission is still unclear as to the references to the landfill/brownfield adder in previous Data Responses. For clarification, is SEA refreshing the landfill/brownfield adder in the 2026 program year? If so, please explain why, and how much of the regulatory process cost is budgeted for a refresh of the landfill/brownfield adder.

SEA is not refreshing the landfill/brownfield adder in 2026. SEA did not include any costs associated with the landfill/brownfield adder in its scope for the 2026 proposed not-to-exceed budget. As the "2026 Core Scope Budget Allowance" column in the table provided in OER's supplemental response to PUC 1-1 demonstrates, there is no budget allocated to the adder subtask for 2026.

Please note the cover letter to OER's budget request inadvertently did not specify the budget approved by the DG Board as a not-to-exceed budget, and asks parties to note it as such.