

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
RALPH SMITH, CPA
BEFORE THE
RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

SUEZ WATER RHODE ISLAND INC.

RATE CASE

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**ON BEHALF OF
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Exhibits:

RCS-1, Ralph Smith Background and Qualifications

RCS-2, Revenue Requirement and Adjustment Schedules

1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 **Q. What is your name, occupation, and business address?**

3 A. My name is Ralph Smith. I am a Certified Public Accountant licensed in the State
4 of Michigan and a senior regulatory consultant at the firm Larkin & Associates,
5 PLLC, Certified Public Accountants, with offices at 15728 Farmington Road,
6 Livonia, Michigan 48154.

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8 **Q. Please describe the firm Larkin & Associates, PLLC.**

9 A. Larkin & Associates, PLLC ("Larkin"), is a Certified Public Accounting and
10 Regulatory Consulting Firm. The firm performs independent regulatory consulting
11 primarily for public service/utility commission staffs and consumer interest groups
12 (public counsels, public advocates, consumer counsels, attorneys general, etc.).
13 Larkin has extensive experience in the utility regulatory field as expert witnesses in
14 over 600 regulatory proceedings, including numerous electric, water and
15 wastewater, gas and telephone utility cases.

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17 **Q. Mr. Smith, please summarize your educational background and recent work
18 experience.**

19 A. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration (Accounting
20 Major) with distinction from the University of Michigan - Dearborn, in April 1979.
21 I passed all parts of the C.P.A. examination on my first sitting in 1979, received my
22 C.P.A. license in 1981, and received a certified financial planning certificate in
23 1983. I also have a Master of Science in Taxation from Walsh College, 1981, and a

1 law degree (J.D.) cum laude from Wayne State University, 1986. In addition, I
2 have attended a variety of continuing education courses in conjunction with
3 maintaining my accountancy license. I am a licensed Certified Public Accountant
4 and attorney in the State of Michigan. Since 1981, I have been a member of the
5 Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants. I am also a member of the
6 Michigan Bar Association. I have also been a member of the American Bar
7 Association (ABA), and the ABA sections on Public Utility Law and Taxation.

8
9 **Q. Please summarize your professional experience.**

10 A. After graduating from the University of Michigan, and after a short period of
11 installing a computerized accounting system for a Southfield, Michigan realty
12 management firm, I accepted a position as an auditor with the predecessor CPA
13 firm to Larkin & Associates in July 1979. Before becoming involved in utility
14 regulation where the majority of my time for the past 38 years has been spent, I
15 performed audit, accounting, and tax work for a wide variety of businesses that
16 were clients of the firm.

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18 **Q. Have you previously testified before the Rhode Island Public Utilities
19 Commission?**

20 A. Yes. I previously testified before the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission for
21 the Providence Water rate case, Docket No. 4618.

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23 **Q. Have you previously submitted testimony before other state regulatory
24 commissions?**

1 A. Yes. I have previously submitted testimony before many other state regulatory
2 commissions, including Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California,
3 Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas,
4 Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi,
5 Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Nevada, North Carolina,
6 North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina,
7 South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington,
8 Washington D.C., West Virginia, and Canada as well as the Federal Energy
9 Regulatory Commission and various state and federal courts of law. My prior
10 testimonies have included evaluations of numerous utility rate case filings and
11 revenue requirement determinations.

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13 **Q. Have you prepared an exhibit describing your qualifications and experience?**

14 A. Yes. I have attached Exhibit No. RCS-1, which is a summary of my regulatory
15 experience and qualifications.

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17 **Q. On whose behalf are you appearing?**

18 A. Larkin & Associates, PLLC, was retained by the Division of Public Utilities and
19 Carriers ("the Division") to review the rate request of Suez Water Rhode Island Inc.
20 ("Suez Water," "SWRI" or "Company"). Accordingly, I am appearing on behalf of
21 the Division.

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23 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

1 A. I am presenting the Division's overall recommended revenue requirement for Suez
2 Water in this case. I sponsor several adjustments to the Company's proposed
3 revenue requirement. I also address the impacts on the Company of the Tax Cuts
4 and Jobs Act ("TCJA" or "2017 Tax Act") which was signed into law by President
5 Trump on December 22, 2017. Finally, I address the Company's proposal for a
6 Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") and recommend additional
7 customer safeguards related to the DSIC.

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9 **Q. Have you attached any other Exhibits or Schedules to your testimony?**

10 A. Yes. I prepared Exhibit RCS-2 which presents the revenue requirement calculation
11 for the rate year ending September 30, 2019, giving effect to all of the adjustments I
12 am recommending in this testimony. Exhibit RCS-2 contains schedules showing
13 the revenue requirement, rate base, adjusted net operating income, capital structure
14 and cost rates, and also includes schedules for each adjustment I am recommending.

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16 **Q. How will your testimony be organized?**

17 A. In Section II, I present the overall financial summary for the base rate change to be
18 effective for the rate year ended September 30, 2019, showing the revenue
19 requirement and revenue increase recommended by the Division.

20 In Section III, I discuss my proposed adjustments which impact the
21 Company's revenue requirement. Exhibit RCS-2 attached to my testimony presents
22 the Division's Accounting and Revenue Requirement Schedules.

23 I address the impacts of the TCJA on the Company in Section IV of my
24 testimony.

1 Finally, in Section V of my testimony I address the Company's proposed
2 DSIC and the additional features and safeguards being recommended to protect
3 ratepayers related to the DSIC.
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5 **II. OVERALL FINANCIAL SUMMARY – BASE RATE CHANGE**

6 **Q. What revenue increase is the Company seeking?**

7 A. The Company is requesting a general base revenue adjustment of \$1,024,856 per
8 year to support its claimed total cost of service of \$5,838,744 Overall, the increase
9 requested by the Company would be 21.29%.

10
11 **Q. What revenue requirement do you recommend for Suez Water?**

12 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule A, page 1, my recommended adjustments in
13 this case result in a recommended revenue requirement for Suez Water of \$435,303.
14 This is \$589,553 less than the \$1,024,856 base rate increase requested by Suez
15 Water in its filing.

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17 **Q. Have you presented a reconciliation of Suez Water's request and the Division's
18 recommended adjusted results?**

19 A. Yes. A reconciliation of Suez Water's requested revenue increase and the
20 Division's adjusted results is presented on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule A, page 2. The
21 estimated revenue requirement impact of each adjustment recommended by
22 Division witnesses, including myself, is shown there.

1 **III. RECOMMENDED ADJUSTMENTS**

2 **Q. Would you please discuss each of your sponsored adjustments to SWRI's**
3 **filing?**

4 A. Yes, I will address each adjustment I am sponsoring below.

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6 Unamortized Rate Case Expense

7 **Q. What is the Company proposing for rate case expense in this proceeding?**

8 A. As discussed on page 10 of the direct testimony of Company witness Katharine
9 Arp, SWRI is proposing to amortize its estimated rate case expense in this
10 proceeding of \$181,000 over a three-year period, which results in an annual
11 amortization of rate case expense of \$60,333. According to the response to data
12 request DPU 9-22, the Company has included the 13-month average balance of
13 unamortized rate case expense in rate base, net of deferred taxes. As shown on
14 Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 1, from SWRI's filing, for the rate year ending September
15 30, 2019, the Company has included in its 13-month average rate base, unamortized
16 rate case expense of \$87,383, which as noted above, is net of deferred taxes.

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18 **Q. Should unamortized rate case expense be allowed in rate year rate base?**

19 A. No. Consistent with the Commission's long-standing precedent, it is inappropriate
20 for SWRI to include unamortized rate case expense in rate year rate base.

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22 **Q. Has the Rhode Island Supreme Court affirmed the Commission's long-**
23 **standing precedent of disallowing unamortized rate case expense from a**
24 **utility's rate base?**

1 A. Yes. The Rhode Island Supreme Court has affirmed the Commission's long-
2 standing precedent of disallowing unamortized rate case expense from a utility's
3 rate base. Specifically, in *Providence Gas Company v. Malachowski*, 656 A.2d 949
4 at 953 (R.I. 1995), the Rhode Island Supreme Court affirmed the Commission's
5 long-standing precedent which prohibits unamortized rate case expense from being
6 included in rate base, and which provides for "ratepayers to pay the actual prudently
7 incurred rate case expenses over a period of time, while stockholders pay the
8 carrying costs on the unamortized balance. Such a policy is based upon a sharing of
9 costs between ratepayers and stockholders."

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11 **Q. Please explain your adjustment.**

12 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule B-1, I have removed the 13-month average
13 amount of unamortized rate case expense of \$87,383, which is net of deferred
14 income taxes, from the Company's rate base.

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16 Cash Working Capital

17 **Q. Has the Company included an allowance for cash working capital in rate year**
18 **rate base?**

19 A. Yes. As discussed on page 15 of the direct testimony of Company witness Elda
20 Gil, the Company has included an allowance for cash working capital based on
21 using the formula method, which uses 1/8 of O&M expenses to compute a cash
22 working capital allowance. The Company utilized the formula method in lieu of
23 performing a lead-lag study. As shown on Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 1, the

1 Company has included a proposed rate year cash working capital allowance of
2 \$307,171.

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4 **Q. Did the Company explain why it did not perform a lead-lag study in**
5 **determining an allowance for cash working capital?**

6 A. Yes. In its response to data request DPU 3-2, the Company stated in part:

7 Consistent with its rate cases filed in 1999, 2011 and 2013, the
8 Company used the 1/8th of operation and maintenance expenses
9 method. To prepare a detailed lead/lag study can be very costly
10 especially for a small company such as Rhode Island which can be a
11 burden for the customers with increased rate case expenses. The
12 1/8th method is an acceptable method of estimating cash working
13 capital and is widely used as a proxy.
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15 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's use of the Formula Method in its**
16 **determination of cash working capital?**

17 A. No, I do not. In my opinion, an accurate level of a utility's cash working capital can
18 best be obtained through the use of a detailed lead-lag study. However, as noted in
19 the passage above from the response to DPU 3-2, the Company has utilized the
20 1/8th formula method of determining an allowance for cash working capital in its
21 last three rate cases prior to the current proceeding, and that method has been
22 accepted by the Commission. However, the results of the formula method in this
23 proceeding need to be adjusted if the Company's request to convert from quarterly
24 to monthly billing is approved.

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26 **Q. Have you made any adjustments to SWRI's cash working capital allowance?**

1 A. Yes. I am recommending three adjustments to SWRI's proposed cash working
2 capital allowance.

3 The first such adjustment relates to tank painting amortization expense.
4 Specifically, in its response to data request DPU 9-31, the Company stated that it
5 included 1/8th of its tank painting amortization expense of \$19,812 (i.e., \$2,477) in
6 its proposed cash working capital allowance. However, since the balance of
7 deferred tank painting expense is recorded as a regulatory asset that is included in
8 rate base, the related amortization should be reflected in a manner similar to all
9 other depreciation and amortization expense and should not be included in SWRI's
10 proposed cash working capital allowance. Therefore, I have removed the \$2,477
11 from SWRI's proposed cash working capital allowance.

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13 **Q. What is your second recommended adjustment to SWRI's proposed cash**
14 **working capital allowance?**

15 A. I have reflected the impacts of my adjustments to O&M expense to SWRI's
16 proposed cash working capital allowance. Specifically, reflecting the impact of my
17 recommended adjustments to SWRI's operating expenses would reduce its proposed
18 cash working capital allowance by \$27,536.

19
20 **Q. What is your third recommended adjustment to SWRI's proposed cash**
21 **working capital allowance?**

22 A. The third adjustment I am recommending to the Company's proposed cash working
23 capital allowance relates to the Company's proposed change to its billing cycle.
24 Specifically, as discussed on pages 18-19 of the direct testimony of Company

1 witness Christopher Jacobs, the Company is proposing to switch all of its customer
2 classes from quarterly to monthly billing. On pages 11-12 of her direct testimony,
3 Company witness Gil states that all but 22 of SWRI's commercial customers are
4 currently billed on a quarterly basis.¹ Ms. Gil states that the change from quarterly
5 to monthly billing will benefit customers as more frequent bills will make
6 budgeting their payments easier versus being faced with larger quarterly bills.

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8 **Q. What has the Company stated concerning whether the conversion from**
9 **quarterly to monthly billing should reduce its cash working capital**
10 **requirement?**

11 A. In its response to data request DPU 9-50, the Company stated that:

12 If the Company performed a full lead/lag study, an adjustment would
13 have been made, however, the Company did not perform such a
14 study. Because the Company is relatively small, in order to keep
15 costs lower, the Company utilized the 1/8th method to calculate cash
16 working capital. As such it is not able to quantify the impact.
17

18 **Q. Please respond.**

19 A. The fact that SWRI did not perform a lead-lag study should not preclude an
20 adjustment to reduce its cash working capital requirement for the substantially
21 shortened utility service period between billing, and the more frequent billing cycle
22 (monthly versus quarterly), which should speed up the cash flow and thus reduce
23 the amount of the cash working capital allowance. With the conversion to monthly
24 billing, SWRI will recover cash from its customers more frequently than it has been
25 under quarterly billing, thus shareholders would be supplying less cash under

¹ On page 11 of her direct testimony, Ms. Gil states that the 22 commercial customers are currently billed on a monthly basis.

1 monthly billing than they would under quarterly billing. Because the conversion
2 from quarterly to monthly billing should substantially reduce the cash working
3 capital allowance, I recommend that SWRI's adjusted cash working capital (i.e.,
4 after the removal of tank painting amortization expense and the impacts of my
5 adjustments to O&M expense) be reduced by two-thirds to reasonably reflect the
6 impact of the Company switching from quarterly to monthly billing.

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8 **Q. Please explain the impacts of your recommended adjustments to cash working
9 capital as discussed above.**

10 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule B-2, the impacts of my recommended
11 adjustments to cash working capital as discussed above reduces the Company's
12 proposed cash working capital allowance (and rate base) by \$213,959.

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14 **Q. Do you have any other comments regarding the Company's cash working
15 capital allowance?**

16 A. Yes. If cash working capital is to be calculated using the 1/8th formula, then the
17 proper level of cash working capital reflected for ratemaking purposes should
18 ultimately be based on the pro forma O&M expenses allowed by the Commission
19 versus the \$307,171 proposed by SWRI in this proceeding.

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21 Depreciation Expense

22 **Q. Please explain your adjustment for depreciation expense.**

23 A. This adjustment reflects the impacts on depreciation expense of the new
24 depreciation rates for two plant accounts that are being recommended by Division

1 witness Roxie McCullar. Specifically, Ms. McCullar is recommending different
2 depreciation rates than proposed by SWRI for the following two plant accounts: (1)
3 Account 325 - Pumping Plant - Electric Pump, and (2) Plant Account 343 - T&D
4 Plant. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-1, this adjustment reduces
5 depreciation expense by \$9,537.

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7 **Q. Have you made an additional adjustment to depreciation expense?**

8 A. Yes. I have made an additional adjustment to depreciation expense, which relates
9 to the amortization of the Company's customer information system ("CIS").
10 Specifically, as reflected on Company Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 3, the CIS is a
11 single asset that is recorded in plant account 391CB - General Plant Computer Soft
12 Lighthouse, and has a plant balance of \$552,856. Plant account 391CB has a
13 depreciation rate of 12.5 percent, which results in annual depreciation expense of
14 \$69,107 ($\$552,856 \times 12.5\%$). There is no component for cost of removal or
15 negative net salvage in the 12.5 percent depreciation rate for this asset. As shown
16 on Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 3, however, the remaining net book value for the CIS
17 is only \$76,239 as of the beginning of the rate year, i.e., at September 30, 2018.

18 If the CIS were to continue to be depreciated at the current annual accrual
19 amount of \$69,107, depreciation would be over-charged to customers in the
20 Company's revenue requirement. Therefore, I am recommending that the
21 remaining net book value for the CIS of \$76,239 at September 30, 2018 be
22 amortized over three years, which corresponds with the rate filing cycle proposed
23 by SWRI with regard to its proposed amortization period for rate case expense.

1 As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-1, page 2, amortizing the
2 remaining net book value of the CIS at September 30, 2018 of \$76,239 over three
3 years produces an annual amortization amount of \$25,413, and reduces depreciation
4 expense by \$43,694.

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6 **Q. Please summarize the Division's adjustment to depreciation expense.**

7 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-1, page 1, the \$9,537 adjustment
8 previously discussed and the \$43,694 adjustment for amortization reduces Suez
9 Water's requested depreciation expense by \$53,231.

10
11 Wages and Salaries Expense

12 **Q. What is the Company proposing for rate year wages and salaries expense?**

13 A. As discussed on pages 4-5 of the direct testimony of Company witness Katharine
14 Arp, the Company's proposed wages and salaries expense is comprised of four
15 components. The test year in this proceeding is the 12 months ending September
16 30, 2017. For the first component, SWRI applied a projected 3 percent salary
17 increase to the 2017 hourly rate to reflect wages and salaries for 2018. In addition,
18 another salary increase of 3 percent was applied to projected hourly rates for 2018
19 to reflect wages and salaries for the rate year ending September 30, 2019. In its
20 response to data request DPU 3-9, the Company stated that salary increases are
21 granted on April 1 of each year.

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23 **Q. What are the remaining components of the Company's proposed rate year**
24 **wages and salaries?**

1 A. The Company also included amounts related to overtime and incentive
2 compensation to its proposed rate year wages and salaries. Specifically, SWRI
3 included a normalization adjustment for overtime which is based on four-year
4 historical average multiplied by the September 30, 2017 hourly rate and increased
5 by the compound wage increase to reflect rate year costs. In addition, the Company
6 reflected incentive compensation by applying a target percentage for each employee
7 based on the Company's Short-Term Incentive Plan guidelines.² Finally, the
8 Company proposed normalization adjustments for labor costs transferred and for
9 capitalized labor costs, which was based on a four-year historical average.

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11 **Q. Please explain the labor costs transferred.**

12 A. In its response to data request DPU 3-9, SWRI stated that labor transferred in is part
13 of the Company's total payroll expense and relates to charges from the Company's
14 regional office in New York for management, customer service, and finance
15 assistance.

16

17 **Q. Do you agree with SWRI's proposed rate year wages and salaries expense?**

18 A. Not entirely. I disagree with the Company's use of a four-year historical average to
19 normalize overtime expense and labor transferred in costs, as well as for
20 determining the percentage of labor costs to be capitalized. In each instance, SWRI
21 calculated its four-year average using calendar years 2014, 2015, 2016, and the 12
22 months ended September 30, 2017 (i.e., the test year).

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² The Short-Term Incentive Plan is discussed in further detail in the following section of my testimony.

1 **Q. Why do you disagree with the Company's use of that four-year historical**
2 **average for normalizing overtime expense and determining the capitalization**
3 **percentage?**

4 A. I disagree with the Company's use of that four-year historical average for
5 normalizing overtime expense and determining the capitalization percentage
6 because the four-year average includes data from 2014, which is five years removed
7 from the rate year ending September 30, 2019, and thus should be considered stale.
8 Moreover, as it relates to using a four-year historical average to determine the rate
9 year level of wages and salaries to be capitalized, the capitalized rate for 2014 was
10 abnormally low as compared to the capitalized rates associated with 2015, 2016,
11 and the 12 months ended September 30, 2017. Specifically, the 2014 labor
12 capitalization percentage was 18.86 percent whereas the labor capitalization
13 percentages for 2015, 2016, and the 12 months ended September 30, 2017 were
14 23.82 percent, 23.28 percent, and 26.16 percent, respectively. The Company's
15 inclusion of the 2014 capitalization percentage in the four-year average produces a
16 rate year capitalization percentage of 23.03 percent.

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18 **Q. What is your recommendation?**

19 A. I recommend that a three-year historical average utilizing years 2015, 2016, and the
20 12 months ended September 30, 2017 be used for (1) normalizing the level of
21 overtime expense included in the rate year, (2) normalizing the level of labor
22 transferred in costs included in the rate year, and (3) determining the level of rate
23 year wages and salaries to be capitalized.

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1 **Q. What capitalization percentage is produced from using your recommended**
2 **three-year historical average?**

3 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-2, page 2, the capitalization percentage
4 that is produced from using a three-year historical average is 24.42 percent, which
5 is more representative of SWRI's ongoing operations for the rate year ended
6 September 30, 2019.

7
8 **Q. Are you recommending another adjustment to SWRI's proposed wages and**
9 **salaries expense?**

10 A. Yes. As shown on Company Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 2A, page 1, the Company
11 has included rate year wages, incentive compensation, and overtime for a Customer
12 Service/Data Entry Technician position, which totals \$54,002. This position was
13 not filled as of the test year ended September 30, 2017. According to Exhibit 3
14 (Arp), Schedule 2A, the Company has a projected hiring date of October 1, 2018
15 for this position. However, there is no discussion related to adding this position in
16 Ms. Arp's direct testimony. Since this position has not been filled, I have removed
17 the related cost from wages and salaries.

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19 **Q. Please summarize your adjustment.**

20 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-2, my recommendation to use a three-year
21 historical average to (1) normalize the level of overtime expense included in the
22 rate year, (2) normalize the level of labor transferred in costs included in the rate
23 year, and (3) determine the level of rate year wages and salaries to be capitalized

1 coupled with removing the vacant position discussed above reduces the Company's
2 proposed rate year wages and salaries by \$48,247.

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4 Incentive Compensation Expense

5 **Q. Does the Company have incentive compensation plans available to its**
6 **employees?**

7 A. Yes. In its response to data request DPU 3-3, the Company provided a copy of its
8 (1) Short-Term Incentive Plan - Plan Document January 2008 ("ST Incentive
9 Plan"), and (2) 2013 Non-Exempt Non-Union Incentive Program ("Non-Exempt,
10 Non-Union Plan"). The response to DPU 3-3 states that the ST Incentive Plan is
11 comprised of two components, including (1) employee personal goals, and (2) the
12 Company's financial results. In addition, the Non-Exempt, Non-Union Plan is
13 comprised of three components, including (1) environmental health and safety
14 activities, (2) training, and (3) performance. SWRI indicated that the ST Incentive
15 Plan relates to the incentive compensation costs included in its proposed revenue
16 requirement in the current proceeding.

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18 **Q. What is the Short-Term Incentive Plan's stated purpose?**

19 A. On page 1 of the ST Incentive Plan document, under "Purpose", it states:

20 The Short Term Incentive Plan (STIP) is an annual compensation
21 plan that supports United Water's³ business objectives by:
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- 23 • Providing an annual incentive strategy that **drives performance**
24 **towards objectives critical to creating shareholder value.**

³ As discussed on page 3 of SWRI witness Christopher Jacobson's direct testimony, in 2015, United Water Rhode Island ("UWRI") was changed to Suez Water Rhode Island.

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- Offering competitive cash compensation opportunities to all eligible employees.
- Awarding outstanding achievement among employees who can directly impact United Water's results.
- Providing cash awards for both qualitative and quantitative results.
- Providing cash compensation opportunities for making sound business decisions **that impact the Company's financial performance and the overall success of Suez.**

(Emphasis supplied)

16 **Q. Please briefly describe the ST Incentive Plan.**

17 A. As discussed on pages 1-2 of the ST Incentive Plan document, the ST Incentive
18 Plan is based on two different measures of performance, including financial and
19 personal performance. With regard to the financial performance measure, the ST
20 Incentive Plan document states:

21 Each year, Suez Environment and United Water's Compensation
22 Advisory Committee determine financial measures and target
23 performance levels that will form the basis for measuring success
24 under STIP. Each objective is assigned a weight based on the
25 employee's job/salary grade.
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27 In addition, as it relates to the personal performance measure, the ST Incentive Plan
28 document states:

29 As a part of the Performance and Development Review (PDR)
30 process, employees have specific annual objectives that support the
31 attainment of departmental or organizational objectives. These
32 objectives form the basis for the personal objective portion of the
33 STIP. Managers have the flexibility to set the weight of each
34 personal objective in accordance with the plan's guidelines.
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1 **Q. Has SWRI included incentive compensation expense related to the STIP in its**
2 **rate year cost of service?**

3 A. Yes. The response to data request DPU 3-3 states that the Company included
4 incentive compensation expense related to the STIP of \$61,479 in the rate year
5 ending September 30, 2019. Of this amount, \$29,176 is direct charged to SWRI
6 employees and \$32,304 is allocated to SWRI from Suez Water Management &
7 Services (“SWM&S”).

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9 **Q. Has SWRI identified the portion of the STIP that is associated with meeting**
10 **the Company's financial goals?**

11 A. Yes. In its response to DPU 3-3, the Company provided Attachment B, which is
12 replicated below, and which shows that on average, the portion of the STIP that is
13 based on the Company achieving its financial goals is 40 percent.

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Metric	Corporate M&S Grade 20-23	Corporate M&S Grade 13-19	Regulated & UWES M&S Grade 20-23	Regulated & UWES M&S Grade 13-19	Average
Financial Objective %	50%	30%	50%	30%	40%
Non-Financial Objective %	50%	70%	50%	70%	60%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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Source: DPU 3-3, Attachment B

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17 **Q. Has SWRI included incentive compensation expense related to long-term**
18 **incentive compensation in its rate year cost of service?**

19 A. Yes. The response to DPU 3-3 indicates that SWRI has included long-term
20 incentive compensation ("LTIP") totaling \$10,145 in its rate year cost of service.
21 This entire amount is allocated to SWRI from SWM&S.

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Q. Has SWRI identified the portion of the LTIP that is associated with meeting the Company's financial goals?

A. It appears that 100 percent of the LTIP is associated with meeting the Company's financial goals. In addition to the 40 percent average discussed above as it relates to the STIP, the response to DPU 3-3(e) referred to the direct testimony that was filed by Division witness Thomas Catlin in the Company's last rate case in Docket No. 4434. Specifically, on page 17 (lines 8-9) of his direct testimony in that prior proceeding, Mr. Catlin stated:

In addition, M&S fees include \$7,612 of LTIP payments, which are based 100 percent on achieving financial goals.

Q. Are you recommending an adjustment to the level of incentive compensation related to the STIP and LTIP that is included in the rate year cost of service?

A. Yes. I recommend that 40% of the incentive compensation related to the STIP and 100 percent of the LTIP that is included in the rate year be borne by shareholders.

Q. What is the basis for your recommendations to (1) remove 40 percent of incentive compensation related to the STIP, and (2) 100 percent of incentive compensation related to the LTIP?

A. The basis for my recommendations is that incentive compensation expense that is tied to a utility's financial performance should not be borne by ratepayers. Specifically, the portion of incentive compensation expense that is directly attributable to meeting financial performance goals is not properly recoverable from ratepayers for several reasons. First, if the financial goals are set properly,

1 achieving the necessary performance should be self-supporting. That is, measures
2 that achieve additional cost savings, improve sales, or otherwise improve the
3 financial results of the Company should provide the income necessary to fund the
4 awards. Second, the payouts for financial goal achievement can be distinguished
5 from incentive compensation that is measured for improving the quality of service,
6 efficiency, or safety goals. Finally, the incentive to improve financial performance
7 is not necessarily consistent with ratepayers' interests.

8
9 **Q. Please explain your recommended adjustment for Incentive Compensation**
10 **expense related to the STIP and LTIP.**

11 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-3, this adjustment reduces rate year O&M
12 expense by \$35,337 to reflect the removal of (1) 40 percent of incentive
13 compensation expense that on average, relates to the financial goals associated with
14 the STIP, and (2) 100 percent of incentive compensation that relates to the financial
15 goals associated with the LTIP.

16
17 **Q. Is there a related adjustment to payroll tax expense?**

18 A. Yes. As discussed below, my recommended adjustment to incentive compensation
19 expense results in a related adjustment to payroll tax expense as shown on Exhibit
20 RCS-2, Schedule C-4.

21
22 Payroll Tax Expense

23 **Q. Please explain your adjustment to payroll tax expense for the rate year.**

1 A. My recommended adjustment to SWRI's payroll tax expense is made in conjunction
2 with the adjustments that I am recommending related to (1) wages and salaries
3 expense; and (2) incentive compensation expense. Based upon those recommended
4 adjustments, as shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-4, I have reduced SWRI's
5 payroll tax expense by \$6,394.

6

7 Property Tax Expense

8 **Q. Please explain the Company's proposed adjustment to rate year property tax**
9 **expense.**

10 A. As discussed in the direct testimony of Company witness Arp, the Company
11 calculated a four-year historical average change in actual property taxes paid from
12 prior years through 2017. From this calculation, the Company determined an
13 average annual percentage of 5.75%, which SWRI applied to 2018 and to the rate
14 year ending September 30, 2019 to derive the projected property tax expense
15 amount. As shown on Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 18, the Company's proposed
16 adjustment increases property tax expense for the rate year by \$51,210.

17

18 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's proposed methodology for determining rate**
19 **year property tax expense?**

20 A. Not entirely. I agree with the use of an historical-based average methodology for
21 determining rate year property tax expense. However, as stated above with respect
22 to my recommended adjustment to wages and salaries, I disagree with the
23 Company's use of a four-year historical average since such an average includes

1 property taxes from 2014, which is five years removed from the rate year ending
2 September 30, 2019, and thus should be considered stale.

3
4 **Q. Please explain your adjustment to property tax expense.**

5 A. I have calculated rate year property tax expense in a manner similar to the Company
6 except that I have used a three-year historical average change in actual property
7 taxes paid through 2017. From this calculation, I determined an average annual
8 percentage of 4.31%, which I applied to derive the projected rate year property tax
9 expense. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-5, my recommended adjustment
10 reduces the Company's requested rate year property tax expense by \$11,082.

11
12 Transportation and Vehicle Lease Expense

13 **Q. Please explain the Company's adjustment to rate year transportation and
14 vehicle lease expense.**

15 A. As discussed on page 8 of the direct testimony of Company witness Arp, the
16 Company's proposed adjustment to transportation and vehicle lease expense
17 included the use of four-year historical averages utilizing years 2014, 2015, 2016,
18 and the test year ended September 30, 2017 to calculate rate year levels expenses
19 related to fuel, maintenance and repair, insurance, and other miscellaneous. In
20 addition, SWRI updated lease costs based on a combination of actual leased
21 vehicles and projected costs for lease replacements. As shown on Company Exhibit
22 3 (Arp), Schedule 10, the Company's proposed adjustment increases transportation
23 and vehicle lease expense by \$12,002.

1 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's proposed adjustment?**

2 A. Not entirely. I disagree with the Company's use of the four-year averages for
3 calculating the rate year expenses identified above as follows:

4 As it relates to fuel expense, the 2014 amount used in the four-year average
5 is substantially higher than in the subsequent years. In its response to data request
6 DPU 3-14, SWRI stated that the 2014 fuel expense was higher for two reasons,
7 including (1) the Company had 10 vehicles in 2014 whereas there are only seven
8 vehicles currently, and (2) fuel prices has dropped sharply since 2014.

9 As it relates to maintenance and repair expense, the test year amount was
10 significantly higher than the preceding years in the four-year average. The response
11 to DPU 3-14 stated that the reason for this is that there was an accident with one of
12 the Company's vehicles, which SWRI opted to have repaired versus replacing, thus
13 the higher maintenance and repair expense in the test year.

14 As it relates to insurance and other miscellaneous expense, the test year
15 amounts were substantially lower than the preceding years. With regard to
16 insurance expense, the response to DPU 3-14 stated that this was due to an annual
17 reserve adjustment that was booked to the general ledger. With regard to other
18 miscellaneous expense, the response to DPU 3-14 stated that SWRI has not yet
19 been billed for 2017 Rhode Island personal property tax.

20

21 **Q. What is your recommendation with regard to the calculating the rate year**
22 **amounts for fuel, maintenance and repair, insurance, and other miscellaneous**
23 **expense?**

1 A. I recommend that for each such expense, a three-year average be used to calculate
2 the rate year amounts. Specifically, for fuel expense I recommend using years
3 2015, 2016, and the test year ended September 30, 2017.

4 For maintenance and repair, insurance, and other miscellaneous expense, I
5 recommend using 2014, 2015, and 2016 for the three-year averages. As discussed
6 elsewhere in my testimony, I have recommended removing 2014 data from the
7 calculation of historical averages due to the data being stale. As shown on Exhibit
8 RCS-2, Schedule C-6, for insurance and other miscellaneous, the 2014 expense is
9 higher than the 2016 expense. Given the abnormal test year amounts for repairs
10 and maintenance, insurance, and other miscellaneous expense, using the 2014
11 through 2016 data and not using the test year amounts, provides a more reasonable
12 three-year average for calculating the rate year amounts for these expenses.

13
14 **Q. Is there another aspect of the Company's proposed expense that should be**
15 **adjusted?**

16 A. Yes. Some of the lease costs that SWRI is proposing be included in its
17 determination of rate year lease expense should be adjusted. Specifically, SWRI
18 has included monthly lease expense for two vehicles in which the leases expired in
19 2017. In addition, SWRI increased the monthly lease costs for two other vehicles
20 by nearly double what they currently are. In its response to DPU 3-14, the
21 Company stated that in both cases, it will be replacing the existing vehicles with
22 new vehicles. However, both of these existing leases do not expire until August 31,
23 2018, so the Company's proposed increases to monthly lease expense are not known
24 and measurable at this time. Therefore, I recommend that the existing monthly

1 lease payments for these two vehicles be used in the determination of rate year lease
2 expense.

3

4 **Q. Please summarize your adjustment.**

5 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-6, my recommended adjustments to (1)
6 use the three-year historical averages described above to determine rate year fuel,
7 maintenance and repair, insurance and other miscellaneous expense, and (2)
8 eliminate and/or reduce monthly lease payments for certain vehicles in the
9 determination of rate year lease expense, reduces O&M expense by \$13,592.

10

11 Management & Services ("M&S") Expense

12 **Q. Please summarize the types of services that are provided to SWRI by Suez**
13 **Water Management & Services, Inc. ("SWM&S").**

14 A. The Company provided a copy of the Agreement Between Suez Water
15 Management & Services Inc. and Suez Water Rhode Island in MFR 2.89(e).
16 Article 1 of that agreement states that SWM&S provides services in the following
17 areas to SWRI: Executive Services, Financial Planning, Accounting and Tax,
18 Treasury, Internal Audit, Information Technology, Legal, Engineering and
19 Technical Services, Procurement, Corporate Communications, Internet Services,
20 Human Resources, Regulatory Business, Revenue Management, Facilities,
21 Business Development, Environmental Health & Safety, Customer Care, General
22 and Special Services.

23

1 **Q. Please explain the Company's proposed adjustment to rate year management**
2 **& services ("M&S") expense.**

3 A. As discussed on page 10 of the direct testimony of Company witness Arp, the
4 Company's proposed rate year M&S expense was determined by applying SWRI's
5 projected wage increase of 6.09 percent to the test year amount. As shown on
6 Company Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 14, the Company's proposed adjustment results
7 in rate year M&S expense totaling \$509,952.

8

9 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's proposed methodology for determining the**
10 **rate year level of M&S expense?**

11 A. No. I do not agree with the Company's proposed methodology for determining the
12 rate year level of M&S expense. Applying the projected compound wage increase
13 of 6.09 percent to the test year amount of M&S expense produces an amount that is
14 substantially higher than the amounts for M&S expense that SWRI has historically
15 incurred since 2014.

16

17 **Q. Did SWRI provide historical levels of M&S expense incurred?**

18 A. Yes. As shown on Company Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 14A, SWRI provided the
19 historical amounts of M&S expense for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, and the test
20 year ended September 30, 2017. In addition, the response to data request DPU 9-37
21 included the Company's M&S expense from calendar 2017 as well.

22

23 **Q. How do these historical levels of M&S expense compare to the amount**
24 **proposed by the Company for the rate year ended September 30, 2019?**

1 A. The historical levels of M&S expense in all of the years noted are substantially
2 lower than the amount proposed by SWRI for the rate year. Moreover, these
3 expenses have decreased from 2016 to 2017.

4
5 **Q. Has SWRI provided actual monthly allocations of M&S expense for 2018?**

6 A. Yes. In its response to data request DPU 9-37, SWRI provided actual monthly
7 allocations of M&S for the first four months of 2018. As shown in the table below,
8 annualizing these amounts over the entire 12 months of 2018 results in M&S
9 expense of \$457,113:

Date	Amount
January 2018	\$ 43,718
February 2018	\$ 35,370
March 2018	\$ 36,346
April 2018	\$ 36,937
Subtotal	\$ 152,371
Divided by 4 Months	4
4 Month Average	\$ 38,093
Multiplied by 12 Months	12
Annualized 2018 M&S Expense	\$ 457,113
Source: DPU 9-37	

10

11 This is closer to the average historical levels of M&S expense incurred by the
12 Company for the years 2015 through 2017 than the Company's requested level of
13 \$509,952.

14

15 **Q. What is your recommendation?**

1 A. I recommend that a three-year historical average utilizing calendar years 2015,
2 2016, and 2017 be used to determine the rate year level of M&S expense.⁴ This
3 results in rate year M&S expense of \$445,215.

4
5 **Q. Please summarize your adjustment.**

6 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-7, my recommended adjustment to M&S
7 expense using a three-year historical average reduces the Company's requested
8 expense by \$64,736.

9
10 Chemical Expense

11 **Q. Please explain the Company's adjustment to rate year chemical expense.**

12 A. As discussed on pages 6-7 of the direct testimony of Company witness Arp, the
13 Company's projected chemical expense was calculated by computing the chemical
14 unit price for each chemical and multiplying it by total projected usage for the rate
15 year. Specifically, the chemical unit price was based on the Company's actual price
16 bid for 2018 adjusted for inflation. In addition, the total usage is based on projected
17 water produced multiplied by chemical usage per million gallons based on a four-
18 year average using calendar years 2014, 2015, 2016, and the test year ended
19 September 30, 2017. Finally, the Company adjusted the projected water produced
20 by the non-revenue water percentage, which the Company calculated by utilizing a
21 four-year average of non-revenue water percentages using the same periods noted

⁴ The 2014 M&S expense of \$259,208 was included in Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 14, but this amount is substantially lower than amounts incurred in each year 2015 through 2017, thus was not used in my recommended use of a three-year historical average to determine the rate year level of M&S expense.

1 above. As shown on Company Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 5, the Company's
2 proposed adjustment decreases chemical expense by \$13,942.

3

4 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's proposed methodology for calculating the**
5 **rate year level of chemical expense?**

6 A. Not entirely. I agree with the use of an historical average for calculating the rate
7 year level of chemical expense. However, similar to my recommended adjustment
8 to wages and salaries expense, I disagree with SWRI's use of a four-year historical
9 average which includes 2014 data to calculate (1) projected usage for the rate year
10 and (2) the non-water revenue percentage used in the Company's proposed
11 adjustment for billed consumption.

12

13 **Q. Did you note an error in the Company's calculation of its proposed non-**
14 **revenue water percentage?**

15 A. Yes. The Company's calculation of its proposed non-revenue water percentage,
16 which it applied to billed consumption, is shown on Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 5A.
17 Upon reviewing the electronic version of this schedule, I noted that while SWRI
18 included non-revenue water percentages for 2014, 2015, 2016, and the test year
19 ended September 30, 2017, the Company calculated its average non-revenue water
20 percentage of 3.05 percent by dividing these four percentages by three instead of
21 four, which skewed the result. If this average was calculated correctly, the non-
22 revenue water percentage would have been 2.29 percent.

23

1 **Q. What is your recommendation for calculating SWRI's rate year chemical**
2 **expense?**

3 A. I recommend that a three-year historical average utilizing calendar years 2015,
4 2016, and the test year ended September 30, 2017 be used to calculate (1) projected
5 usage for the rate year and (2) the non-water revenue percentage. This
6 methodology results in rate year chemical expense of \$46,283.

7
8 **Q. Please summarize your adjustment.**

9 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-8, my recommended adjustment to
10 chemical expense using a three-year historical average increases the Company's
11 estimated rate year chemical expense by \$1,113.

12

13 Power Expense

14 **Q. Please explain the Company's adjustment to rate year power expense.**

15 A. As discussed on pages 5-6 of the direct testimony of Company witness Arp, SWRI
16 computed purchase power costs by taking the projected total kWh usage and
17 increasing it by calculated rate year kWh for commodity and distribution using a
18 four-year average. This average was applied to the total rate year water produced to
19 determine total rate year kWh usage and was further adjusted by the non-revenue
20 water percentage discussed in the previous section of my testimony regarding
21 chemical expense. In addition, the kWh average commodity cost was calculated by
22 applying the contract price from Engie Resources, LLC, which SWRI then
23 increased by 15 percent for surcharges and taxes. Moreover, SWRI's projected rate
24 year kWh price for transmission and distribution was calculated by taking the

1 National Grid actual average rate per kWh and increasing it by 10.21 percent,
2 which Ms. Arp states is based upon the rate case filed on November 27, 2017 in
3 RIPUC Docket No. 4770. Finally, the Company adjusted Other Utilities Power by
4 using a four-year average and adjusting for inflation. As shown on Company
5 Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 4, the Company's proposed adjustment increases rate year
6 power expense by \$81,864.

7
8 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's proposed methodology for calculating the**
9 **rate year level of power expense?**

10 A. Not entirely. I agree with the use of historical averages for calculating the rate year
11 level of power expense. However, similar to other Company proposed adjustments
12 in which an average was used, I disagree with SWRI's use of a four-year historical
13 average which includes 2014 data for the reasons previously discussed. As it
14 relates to power expense, I disagree with using a four-year average to calculate (1)
15 the rate year kWh for commodity and distribution, (2) the non-water revenue
16 percentage used in the Company's proposed adjustment for billed consumption, and
17 (3) Other Utilities Power.

18
19 **Q. Do you take issue with another aspect of the Company's proposed adjustment**
20 **to power expense?**

21 A. Yes. I take issue with the Company's proposal to increase the National Grid actual
22 average rate per kWh by 10.21 percent. As noted above, Ms. Arp stated that
23 including the 10.21 percent increase was based on National Grid's rate case that was
24 filed on November 27, 2017 in RIPUC Docket No. 4770. In its response to data

1 request DPU 3-11, the Company stated that the 10.21 percent increase is based on
2 National Grid's proposed rates (based on the new federal tax law) and that the
3 Company does not know when the Commission will issue an Order in that
4 proceeding. Because the 10.21 percent increase proposed by SWRI is based on
5 National Grid's proposed rates and because that case is still pending before the
6 Commission, the amount is not known and measurable at this time and should
7 therefore be removed. As of the date of my testimony being filed, the National
8 Grid rate case is still pending before the Commission. Specifically, a settlement has
9 been filed but it has not been approved by the Commission. If the Commission
10 approves a rate increase for National Grid and the amount becomes known while
11 the Suez Water rate case is pending, it can be factored in at a later point in the Suez
12 Water rate case.

13
14 **Q. What is your recommendation for calculating SWRI's rate year power**
15 **expense?**

16 A. I recommend that a three-year historical average utilizing calendar years 2015,
17 2016, and the test year ended September 30, 2017 be used to calculate (1) the rate
18 year kWh for commodity and distribution, (2) the non-water revenue percentage
19 used in the Company's proposed adjustment for billed consumption, and (3) Other
20 Utilities Power. In addition, as discussed above, I have removed the 10.21 increase
21 that SWRI added to the National Grid actual average rate per kWh.

22
23 **Q. Please summarize your adjustment.**

1 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-9, my recommended adjustment to power
2 expense using a three-year historical average and removing the 10.21 percent
3 increase discussed above reduces O&M expense by \$22,199.

4

5 Interest Synchronization

6 **Q. Please explain your adjustment to interest synchronization.**

7 A. This adjustment modifies the Company's interest synchronization adjustment to
8 reflect my recommended rate base and the weighted cost of debt recommended by
9 Division witness Kahal. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-10, federal
10 income tax expense is increased by \$1,348 for interest synchronization.

11

12 Amortization of TCJA-Related Regulatory Liability

13 **Q. Please explain your adjustment to the amortization of the TCJA-related**
14 **Regulatory Liability.**

15 A. This adjustment is shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11 and addresses the
16 amortization of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act-related Regulatory Liability. As shown
17 on Schedule C-11, page 1, line 12, income tax is reduced by \$98,867 for the
18 amortization of the TCJA-related regulatory liability. This is a larger reduction by
19 \$65,263 compared with the \$33,604 amount of reduction that had been reflected by
20 Suez Water in its application at Company Exhibit 4 (Cagle), Schedule 5C.
21 Additional details of how the TCJA has impacted the Company and the components
22 of the TCJA-related Regulatory liability are presented in Section IV of my
23 testimony, below.

24

1 **IV. THE TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT OF 2017**

2 **Q. Please summarize some of the primary impacts of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.**

3 A. Under the TCJA, the new federal corporate income tax rate is 21%. The new lower
4 federal income tax rate will significantly reduce Suez Water's federal income tax
5 expense. The TCJA also requires that accumulated deferred income taxes be
6 revalued at the new corporate income tax rate of 21 percent. The ADIT was
7 previously accumulated on the Company's books using the former statutory federal
8 corporate income tax rate of 35 percent. This revaluation of ADIT creates excess
9 ADIT, which the Company has indicated it recorded as a Regulatory Liability in
10 account 253. The excess ADIT will need to be separated into "protected" and "non-
11 protected" components. The "protected" excess ADIT is subject to normalization
12 requirements, and therefore there is very limited regulatory commission discretion
13 as to the amortization of the "protected" excess ADIT. In contrast, the regulatory
14 commission has wide discretion as to how the "non-protected" excess ADIT should
15 be amortized.

16 Since the federal corporate income tax rate was reduced on January 1, 2018
17 and new rates for the Company in this rate case will not go into effect until some
18 later point in 2018⁵, the amount of federal income tax savings from January 1, 2018
19 through the rate effective date is being accumulated by Suez Water into a
20 Regulatory Liability account. The amount of that component of the TCJA-related
21 Regulatory Liability will also need to be addressed in this rate case.

⁵ Both Suez Water and the Division are currently assuming a rate effective date of October 1, 2018, as reflected in our respective calculations of the TCJA-related Regulatory Liability amortization.

1 The TCJA has other impacts on regulated utilities, such as Suez Water,
2 including changes to the taxation of CIAC and terminating bonus tax depreciation
3 for public utility property placed into service after September 27, 2017. However,
4 the above noted impacts related to the reduction in the federal income tax rate and
5 addressing the excess ADIT appear to be the primary ones which need to be taken
6 into account in determining the Company's revenue requirement in the current rate
7 case.

8
9 Reduction in the Federal Corporate Income Tax Rate

10 **Q. How has the Company reflected the new 21 percent federal corporate income**
11 **tax rate in the calculation of income tax expense in its application?**

12 A. On its Exhibit 3 (Gil), Schedule 21, the Company has calculated income tax
13 expense using the new 21 percent federal corporate income tax rate that became
14 effective on January 1, 2018.

15 Additionally, as reproduced on my Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule A, page 1, on
16 line 6, in calculating the amount of additional revenue needed based on the net
17 operating income deficiency, the new 21 percent federal corporate income tax rate
18 has effectively been incorporated into the gross revenue conversion factor that was
19 used by Suez Water and that is being used in the Division's calculation of the
20 revenue requirement.

21 The amortization of the Regulatory Liability related to 2018 federal income
22 tax savings from January 1, 2018 through the rate effective date is also an issue that
23 needs to be addressed in the current Suez Water rate case. I address that issue
24 below and as shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11.

1

2 Federal Income Tax Savings from January 1, 2018 through the Effective Date of
3 New Rates

4 **Q. How has the Company reflected the amount of the Regulatory Liability related**
5 **to federal income tax savings from January 1, 2018 through the effective date**
6 **of new rates?**

7 A. The Company's Exhibit 4 (Cagle), Schedule 5C contains detail that shows that the
8 Company originally estimated an amount of \$129,640 of federal income tax savings
9 from January 1 through September 30, 2018, its estimated effective date of new
10 rates. The Company has reflected that as part of its proposed TCJA-related
11 Regulatory Liability, which the Company proposes to amortize over 50 years. The
12 Company has thus proposed to reduce rate year income tax expense by \$2,593,
13 relating to its proposed 50-year amortization of this component of its TCJA-related
14 Regulatory Liability.

15

16 **Q. Has the Company identified the amount of federal income tax savings by**
17 **month, starting with January 1, 2018, using actual amounts through April**
18 **2018?**

19 A. Yes. The Company's response to DPU 9-7 shows that the Company anticipates
20 \$46,195 federal income tax savings (including the tax gross-up) through April 2018
21 and has presented that amount as a Regulatory Liability. Additionally, the
22 Company's response to DPU 9-8 presents the pre-tax net operating income that the
23 Company expects in each month of 2018 from May through December, including

1 calculations of federal income tax expense at the previous 35 percent rate and at the
2 new 21 percent rate.

3

4 **Q. Have you summarized that information on a Schedule showing the cumulative**
5 **amounts of Regulatory Liability for 2018 federal income tax savings by**
6 **month?**

7 A. Yes. Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 2, summarizes the information provided
8 by the Company in response to DPU 9-7 and 9-8 showing the regulatory liability at
9 April 30, 2018 and as estimated by the Company for each remaining month of 2018
10 through December 31, 2018. As shown there, the amount of Regulatory Liability
11 for federal income tax savings from January 1 through September 30, 2018 (without
12 the gross-up) is \$199,855 and is \$252,983 with the gross-up.

13

14 **Q. Should the Regulatory Liability for 2018 federal income tax savings be**
15 **considered in the current Suez Water rate case even if the rate case determines**
16 **that the Company had not been earning its authorized rate of return?**

17 A. Yes. The 2018 federal income tax savings has occurred because of a major change
18 in federal income tax law. The 2018 federal income tax savings can be measured
19 and should be reflected in the current rate case whether or not Suez Water had been
20 earning its previously authorized rate of return in 2018. This issue has arisen in
21 another recent utility rate case, and was resolved by amortizing the cumulative
22 federal income savings.

23

1 **Q. You mentioned that a utility may take a position that reflects for ratemaking**
2 **purposes its Regulatory Liability for 2018 income tax savings is not warranted**
3 **because they were not earning their authorized rate of return. Have you seen**
4 **a similar issue arise in another recent utility rate case?**

5 A. Yes. In a recent Hawaiian Electric Company ("HECO") rate case,⁶ an issue
6 concerning 2018 income tax savings was considered. HECO had claimed that it
7 was not earning its authorized rate of return, and thus no provision for recognizing
8 income tax savings from January 1 through the effective date of new rates was
9 warranted.

10

11 **Q. What is the current status of that issue in that case?**

12 A. A proposed settlement filed in that case that incorporates, among other things, a
13 provision to reduce interim rates to reflect the revenue requirement reduction
14 impact of amortizing over a three-year period the accumulated Daily Revenue
15 Impact of 2017 Tax Act savings from January 1, 2018 to the effective date of the
16 reduced interim rates. This provision is designed to capture and start flowing back
17 to the utility's ratepayers the impact of daily income tax savings from January 1,
18 2018 through the effective date of new rates.

19

20 **Q. What is your recommendation for the rate case treatment of the Suez Water**
21 **Regulatory Liability for 2018 federal income tax savings?**

⁶ See, Hawaii Public Utilities Commission, Docket No. 2016-0328.

1 A. The amount of this Regulatory Liability, related to the federal income tax savings
2 from January 1, 2018 through the effective date of new rates, should be reflected in
3 the current Suez Water rate case by amortizing the amount as of the effective date
4 of new rates over a reasonable period, such as the one that is being used for the
5 amortization of rate case expense.

6

7 **Q. Have you presented an illustrative calculation of how the amortization of the**
8 **Regulatory Liability related to 2018 federal income tax savings could work?**

9 A. Yes. As noted above, the Company's responses to DPU 9-7 and 9-8 can be used to
10 estimate the amount of income tax savings from January 1, 2018 through the
11 effective date of new rates in this case. Depending on the effective date for new
12 rates in this case, an amortization of that tax savings amount reflected in that
13 Regulatory Liability can be amortized over an appropriate period. As an
14 appropriate amortization period, a relatively short period such as a three-year period
15 used in a recent HECO rate case settlement noted above, and the three-year period
16 being used by Suez Water for the amortization of rate case expense, should be
17 considered. The amortization period determination could also take into
18 consideration the Company's typical rate case filing cycle, and the period being
19 used to amortize rate case expense.

20

21 **Q. Have you prepared a calculation of the recommended adjustment using**
22 **amounts available at this time?**

23 A. Yes. Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, pages 1 and 2 show the related adjustment.
24 The Company's proposed amortization of an estimated amount of 2018 federal

1 income tax savings from January 1 through September 30 for a Regulatory Liability
2 of \$129,640 amortized over 50 years for an annual amortization of \$2,593 as the
3 reduction to income tax expense, is shown on Schedule C-11, page 1, line 22.
4 Instead of that, I recommend that the updated amount of estimated federal income
5 tax savings from January 1 through September 30, 2018 of \$199,855 be amortized
6 over three years for an annual amortization of \$66,618 to reduce rate year income
7 tax expense by \$64,025, as shown on Schedule C-11, page 1, line 22.

8 This, in combination with the amortization of unprotected excess ADIT
9 (discussed below), results in a reduction to rate year income tax expense that is
10 \$65,263 larger than the Company's proposal.

11
12 Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes ("ADIT") and Excess ADIT

13 **Q. What is your current understanding of how excess federal ADIT for regulated**
14 **public utilities can be addressed?**

15 A. My current understanding is that regulated public utilities will be required to
16 identify the portions of their ADIT balances that represent "excess" ADIT based on
17 recalculations using the difference between the old federal income tax rate ("FIT")
18 (typically 35%) under which the ADIT was accumulated and the new federal
19 corporate rate of 21%. Basically, utility ADIT must be revalued at the new FIT
20 rate. All *non-property* related ADIT (accounts 190 and 283 for water utilities) will
21 be reduced. To ensure that these benefits are passed to customers, the regulator
22 should require that the reduction be deferred in a net regulatory liability. *Property*
23 related ADIT (account 282 for water utilities) will also need to be revalued at the
24 new FIT rate. IRS normalization requirements will apply to the portion of the

1 property related ADIT that relates to the use of accelerated tax depreciation
2 (including federal bonus tax depreciation).

3 Regulated public utilities (as do other business taxpayers) typically compute
4 tax depreciation using the Modified Accelerated Cost Recovery System
5 (“MACRS”), which is the current tax depreciation system in the United States.
6 Under this system, the capitalized cost (basis) of tangible property is recovered over
7 a specified life by annual deductions for depreciation. The differences between the
8 use of accelerated tax depreciation to produce depreciation deductions for federal
9 income tax purposes and the use of book depreciation (typically some form of
10 straight-line depreciation) are accounted for, and the tax impacts are accumulated as
11 ADIT for accounting and ratemaking purposes.

12 It is expected that the excess ADIT related to the use of accelerated tax
13 depreciation will result in "protected" excess ADIT balances for at least a portion of
14 the utility's property related ADIT, e.g., the ADIT recorded in account 282. That
15 "protected" ADIT will be subject to normalization requirements, which will govern
16 how it can be flowed back to ratepayers. The Tax Act specifically provides that the
17 average rate assumption method ("ARAM") must be used for the protected portion
18 of ADIT, although an alternative method is permitted if adequate records are not
19 available to compute the ARAM.

20 In contrast, the flow back of the “unprotected” portion of the excess ADIT
21 will be up to the discretion of the regulatory authority. Unprotected ADIT is not
22 subject to normalization requirements and will be revalued at the lower 21% FIT
23 rate. A regulatory liability may need to be established to ensure that the un-
24 protected excess ADITs are captured and can be passed back to customers.

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Q. Please elaborate on the normalization requirement.

A. As described above, the Tax Act reduced the federal corporate income tax rate to a flat 21%. Public utilities are required, as a condition of using MACRS (accelerated tax depreciation) to use normalization accounting under which depreciation for ratemaking purposes does not reflect the accelerated depreciation under MACRS. The normalization requirements address how the "excess" ADIT balances related to the use of accelerated tax depreciation on utility property can be flowed back. Generally, the flow-back of such "protected" excess ADIT balances must occur over the remaining life of the related utility property.

Specifically, the Tax Act provides that public utilities subject to the normalization method of accounting are not treated as applying the normalization method for any public utility property for purposes of Code Sec. 167 or Code Sec. 168 if they reduce their excess tax reserves resulting from the lower tax rate in computing their cost of service for ratemaking purposes and for purposes of reflecting operating results in their regulated books of account, more rapidly or to a greater extent than the amount the reserve would be reduced under the average rate assumption method. (Tax Act §13001(d)(1)) For this purpose, the excess tax reserve is the reserve for deferred taxes, described in Code Sec. 168(i)(9)(A)(ii) as in effect on the day before the FIT rate reductions take effect (Tax Act §13001(d)(3)(A)(i)), minus the amount that would be the balance in the reserve if the amount of the reserve were determined by assuming that the Tax Act corporate rate reductions were in effect for all prior periods. (Tax Act §13001(d)(3)(A)(ii))

1 **Q. Has the Company presented calculations purporting to identify its excess**
2 **ADIT as of December 31, 2017?**

3 A. Yes. As I have summarized on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 3, the
4 Company's response to DPU 9-1 identifies the components of the Company's ADIT
5 balance as of December 31, 2017 to be \$3,062,315 before TCJA impacts. The
6 Company's response to DPU 9-1 also identifies amounts of adjustment for restating
7 the December 31, 2017 ADIT balances at the new federal income tax rate of 21
8 percent of \$1,224,926 for the new federal income tax rate and \$325,613 for the
9 gross-up using the new 21 percent federal income tax rate. The sum of these
10 amounts is \$1,550,539, which Suez Water shows on its response to DPU 9-1 as the
11 amount of its Regulatory Liability in Account 25316.

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13 **Q. Have you prepared a Schedule using the information from Suez Water's**
14 **response to DPU 9-1 to identify and show the amounts of Excess ADIT that are**
15 **contained in the Regulatory Liability amount that Suez Water has recorded in**
16 **Account 25316?**

17 A. Yes. Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 3, uses the amounts from the Company's
18 response to DPU 9-1 to show the details of the Company's December 31, 2017
19 ADIT liability balance of \$3,062,315. Schedule C-11, page 3, also shows the
20 restated December 31, ADIT liability balance at the new 21 percent federal income
21 tax rate of \$1,837,389 and the excess ADIT liability (i.e., Regulatory Liability) of
22 \$1,224,926 by component. The gross-up on the excess ADIT Regulatory Liability
23 of \$325,613 is also shown on that Schedule.

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1 **Q. Have you also presented the Regulatory Liability components into the**
2 **categories of "protected" and "non-protected" excess ADIT?**

3 A. Yes. The Regulatory Liability components are shown in the categories of
4 "protected" and "non-protected" excess ADIT on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11,
5 page 3, in columns D and E, before the tax gross-up, and in columns F and G after
6 the tax gross-up. The total excess ADIT with the tax gross-up of \$1,550,539 is the
7 same amount calculated by Suez Water, but the breakout between “protected” and
8 “non-protected” is different, due to three items.

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10 **Q. Does it appear that the Company's response to DPU 9-1 has properly classified**
11 **all of the components of the December 31, 2017 excess ADIT between the**
12 **"protected" and "non-protected" categories?**

13 A. No. In Account 282, the Company has properly designated the excess ADIT
14 related to the use of accelerated tax depreciation, i.e., the balance in account 28203
15 ("Def FIT-MACRS") as protected. However, the other items, which are in account
16 283, do not appear to be related to the use of accelerated tax depreciation for federal
17 income tax purposes and thus do not appear to represent "protected" excess ADIT.
18 Three items in particular appear to have been misclassified as “protected” by the
19 Company. Those items are:

- 20 • account 28301 - Deferred FIT - Tank Painting,
- 21 • account 28308 - Deferred FIT - Cost of Removal, and
- 22 • account 28312 - Deferred FIT -AFUDC Equity.

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1 **Q. Please explain your concerns with the Company's classification of each of the**
2 **above-noted three items as "protected" excess ADIT.**

3 A. The Company has not demonstrated that it is using accelerated tax depreciation for
4 tank painting. That item is amortized on a straight line basis for regulatory
5 purposes. Since the tank painting does not appear to involve the use of accelerated
6 depreciation for federal income tax purposes or fall under Internal Code Sections
7 167 or 168, it does not appear to be protected. Moreover, the ADIT for that item is
8 recorded in a sub-account (28301) of account 283, which is for Other ADIT, not
9 property-related ADIT. Typically, the other ADIT that is recorded in account 283
10 is not subject to normalization requirements and is considered non-protected.

11 Similarly for the Deferred FIT for Cost of Removal that Suez Water records
12 in sub-account 28308, the federal income tax deduction for cost of removal fall
13 under Internal Code Sections 167 or 168, which involve the use of accelerated
14 depreciation for federal income tax purposes, does not appear to be protected. Cost
15 of removal is deducted for federal income tax purposes when the amounts are spent
16 and the ADIT for that item is recorded in account 283, which is for Other ADIT.
17 The excess ADIT related to cost of removal thus belongs in the “non-protected”
18 category.

19 The Deferred FIT for AFUDC Equity is a permanent book-tax difference
20 because the equity return is not capitalized or depreciated for federal income tax
21 purposes, but is for book accounting purposes. Equity AFUDC is capitalized for
22 book accounting purposes and is depreciated. However, since equity AFUDC is
23 never capitalized for federal income tax accounting purposes, it does not become
24 part of the tax basis of the asset for FIT purposes and no tax depreciation is

1 calculated on equity AFUDC. Thus, the excess ADIT related to equity AFUDC
2 does not relate to the use of accelerated tax depreciation for federal income tax
3 purposes and is therefore not properly considered "protected" or subject to tax
4 normalization requirements. The equity AFUDC item should therefore be
5 categorized as "non-protected" excess ADIT.

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7 **Q. On Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, how have you categorized the above-noted**
8 **items?**

9 A. On Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 3, I have categorized the excess ADIT
10 related to the use of accelerated tax depreciation, i.e., the Deferred FIT - MACRS,
11 as "protected" and the remaining items as "non-protected."

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13 **Q. What is your current understanding of the required regulatory treatment for**
14 **"protected" excess ADIT?**

15 A. As described above, "protected" excess ADIT must comply with normalization
16 requirements. The TCJA specifies that the average rate assumption method should
17 be used if adequate records are available; otherwise an acceptable alternative
18 method that complies with normalization requirements can be used.

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20 **Q. What software does the Company use to track the tax basis and tax**
21 **depreciation of its utility plant assets?**

22 A. The Company's response to DPU 9-2 indicates that the Company has recently
23 transitioned to PowerTax to track such information and is currently investigating

1 how and if the PowerTax software may be utilized to calculate the amortization of
2 the excess ADIT using the ARAM.

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4 **Q. Is PowerTax the software that is being used by other utilities to calculate the**
5 **amortization of excess ADIT under the ARAM?**

6 A. Yes. It appears that many utilities, particularly larger utilities, are using the
7 PowerTax software to calculate the amortization of excess ADIT under the ARAM,
8 as well as to track the tax depreciation on utility plant assets for other purposes.

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10 **Q. Please explain your current understanding of the average rate assumption**
11 **method that is specified in the Tax Act for compliance with normalization**
12 **requirements on the "protected" excess ADIT.**

13 A. The ARAM is the method under which the “protected” excess in the reserve for
14 deferred taxes is reduced over the remaining lives of the property as recorded in the
15 utility’s regulated books of account which gave rise to the reserve for deferred
16 taxes. Under this method, if timing differences for the property reverse, the amount
17 of the adjustment to the reserve for the deferred taxes is calculated by multiplying
18 (1) the ratio of the aggregate deferred taxes for the property to the aggregate timing
19 differences for the property as of the beginning of the period in question (Tax Act
20 §13001(d)(3)(B)(i)) by (2) the amount of the timing differences that reverse during
21 the period. (Tax Act §13001(d)(3)(B)(ii))

22 The reversal of timing differences generally occurs when the amount of the
23 tax depreciation taken on the asset is less than the amount of the regulatory (book)
24 depreciation taken on the asset. To ensure that the deferred tax reserve, including

1 the excess tax reserve, is reduced to zero at the end of the regulatory life of the asset
2 that generated the reserve, the amount of the timing difference which reverses
3 during a tax year is multiplied by the ratio of (1) the aggregate deferred taxes as of
4 the beginning of the period in question to (2) the aggregate timing differences for
5 the property as of the beginning of the period in question.

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7 **Q. Should SWRI be required to present an ARAM calculation in the current rate**
8 **case?**

9 A. Yes. Ideally, SWRI should present a calculation of the "protected" excess ADIT
10 amortization at least for 2018 and 2019 using the ARAM. Such calculation, subject
11 to review, should then be used for the rate year impact of the "protected" excess
12 ADIT.

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14 **Q. Does the TCJA provide for an alternative method of amortizing the**
15 **“protected” excess ADIT if sufficient information is not available to utilize the**
16 **ARAM?**

17 A. Yes. If sufficient information to utilize the ARAM is not available, the TCJA
18 provides that the amortization period for the "protected" excess ADIT should be
19 based on an alternative normalization method, such as the Reverse South Georgia
20 Method. If the alternative method is to be used, a calculation would be needed of
21 the composite depreciation rate (estimate of the remaining life of the utility
22 property) excluding the component for negative net salvage.

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1 **Q. What amortization period have you reflected for the Company's "protected"**
2 **excess ADIT?**

3 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 1, line 19, I have used 50 years
4 as a placeholder. As noted above, this should be replaced by accurate ARAM-
5 based information if Suez Water is able to provide it during the rate case.

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7 Calculation of TCJA-Related Regulatory Liability Amortization Adjustment to Rate
8 Year Income Tax Expense

9 **Q. What has SWRI proposed in its Application for excess ADIT amortization?**

10 A. SWRI has proposed an amortization of what it refers to as its "Regulatory Liability
11 TCJA" of \$33,604 as a reduction to income tax expense. This is shown on Exhibit
12 3 (Gil), Schedule 21, on line 12, in the Company's Application and is reproduced on
13 Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 1, on lines 19-23, columns A through C.

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15 **Q. How did SWRI derive that amount?**

16 A. Per details supporting the Company's Exhibit 4 (Cagle), Schedule 5C, the Company
17 started with its Regulatory Liability amount for excess ADIT at December 31, 2017
18 of \$1,550,538 and added some estimated amounts of 2018 federal income tax
19 savings for the months of January through September of \$129,640 to derive an
20 estimated Regulatory Liability amount of \$1,680,178 as of September 30, 2018,
21 which the Company is proposing to amortize over 50 years.⁷ Thus, the Company
22 made no distinction in the amortization periods to be applied for "protected" and
23 "unprotected" excess ADIT, or for the 2018 federal income tax savings through

⁷ \$1,680,178 divided by 50 years equals the \$33,604 amount of reduction to income tax expense shown on Suez Water Exhibit 3 (Gil), Schedule 21, line 12.

1 September 30. As summarized in the following table, the Company has effectively
 2 applied a 50 year amortization period for all TCJA-related regulatory liability
 3 items:

Company Proposed Reduction to Rate Year Income Tax Expense for				
TCJA Regulatory Liability				
Component	Company Proposed Regulatory Liability Amount	Company Proposed Amortization Period in Years	Company Proposed Reduction to Rate Year Income Tax Expense	
Excess ADIT (Regulatory Liability) at December 31, 2017	\$ (1,550,538)	50	\$ (31,011)	
Company estimated 2018 FIT Savings through September 2018	\$ (129,640)	50	\$ (2,593)	
Total Company proposed Regulatory Liability at 9/30/2018	\$ (1,680,178)		\$ (33,604)	
Source: SUEZ Water Exhibit 4 (Cagle), Schedule 5C				

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6 **Q. Do you agree with the Company's proposed reduction to federal income tax**
 7 **expense of \$33,604 based on a 50-year amortization for all TCJA related items**
 8 **that are being accumulated as Regulatory Liabilities?**

9 A. No. As described above, the Company should provide in the current rate case its
 10 ARAM-based amortizations for 2018 and 2019 of the "protected" excess ADIT,
 11 which it appears should consist only of the excess ADIT related to the Deferred
 12 FIT-MACRS item that Suez Water recorded in account 28203. If an alternative
 13 method needs to be used because Suez Water cannot produce ARAM calculations,
 14 the remaining depreciable life of the Company's utility property (e.g., based on a
 15 composite depreciation rate excluding the component for negative net salvage/cost
 16 of removal) could potentially be used.⁸

⁸ The alternative method is sometimes referred to by regulators as the "Reverse South Georgia Method."

1 The remainder of the excess ADIT should be considered to be "non-
2 protected" and should be amortized over a relatively short period to be determined
3 by the Commission. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 1, in part
4 because of the relatively small amount of "non-protected" excess ADIT, I have used
5 a three-year amortization period.

6 I have also used a three-year amortization period for the portion of the
7 estimated TCJA Regulatory Liability related to federal income tax savings from
8 January 1, 2018 through the September 30, 2018 (October 1, 2018) effective date of
9 new rates. As noted above, the three-year amortization period approximates the
10 rate case filing cycle; the same period is being applied to the amortization of the
11 Company's rate case expense.

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13 **Q. What amount of annual TCJA related Regulatory Liability amortization for**
14 **the rate year have you calculated?**

15 A. As shown on Exhibit RCS-2, Schedule C-11, page 1, I have calculated annual
16 TCJA related Regulatory Liability amortization of \$98,867, which reduces rate year
17 income taxes by that amount. Put another way, this amortization of the components
18 of the TCJA related Regulatory Liability reduces rate year federal income tax
19 expense by \$98,867, which is \$65,263 more of a reduction than the \$33,604
20 reduction proposed by Suez Water.

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1 **V. DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT CHARGE**

2 **Q. Is the Company proposing to establish a surcharge for the purpose of**
3 **recovering the costs associated with the replacement and rehabilitation of its**
4 **transmission and distribution ("T&D") system, which includes mains, services,**
5 **hydrants, valves and meters?**

6 A. Yes. As discussed in the direct testimony of Company witness Gary Prettyman, the
7 Company is proposing to establish a Distribution System Improvement Charge
8 ("DSIC") for the purpose of recovering the costs associated with the replacement
9 and rehabilitation of its transmission and distribution ("T&D") system.

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11 **Q. Please explain what a DSIC is?**

12 A. A DSIC is a mechanism which allows for the recovery of non-revenue producing
13 investments made to replace aging utility infrastructure between base rate case
14 proceedings. As discussed on page 2 of Mr. Prettyman's testimony, with the
15 establishment of a DSIC, utilities can recover these types of investments on a
16 timelier basis than would be the case with a rate case filing, as well as avoiding the
17 costs of a rate case.

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19 **Q. Has SWRI identified a timetable for replacing its aging infrastructure?**

20 A. Yes. On page 3 of his testimony, Mr. Prettyman stated that the Company had 154
21 miles of mains at the end of 2017, of which 0.16 miles were replaced during 2017.
22 Mr. Prettyman states that based on the 2017 level of activity, it would take SWRI
23 approximately 962 years to replace its entire system and that a DSIC would allow
24 the Company to implement a more aggressive infrastructure replacement program.

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Q. Has SWRI identified specific areas of concern within its service territory?

A. Yes. On page 3 of his testimony, Mr. Prettyman identified the following three areas of concern within its service territory: (1) the River Street, Pond Street and Winchester Street areas of South Kingston; (2) the Ocean Road and Boston Neck Road areas of Narragansett; and (3) the Bonnet Shores area of Narragansett. In each of these service areas, Mr. Prettyman states that the mains are constructed of either asbestos cement and/or galvanized iron which frequently have breaks.

Q. Please discuss the DSIC that SWRI is requesting.

A. On page 5 of his testimony, Mr. Prettyman states that the DSIC being requested should reflect qualified non-revenue producing additions that either replace or rehabilitate its infrastructure, and that qualified additions include: mains, main cleaning and lining, services, hydrants, valves, short mains and valves, meters, dead-end looping, and relocation due to government requirements.

Q. How does SWRI propose to recover the DSIC?

A. SWRI proposes to apply a surcharge to all of its customers bills that is equal to the percentage that results from dividing the DSIC revenue requirement by SWRI's projected revenues for the prospective six months. In addition, the DSIC surcharge would be applied on a "bills rendered" basis and the Commission would have 30 days to review its DSIC application. Furthermore, SWRI would include a reconciliation of the over/(under) recovery of the DSIC surcharge as part of its subsequent six month filing and an earnings test would be performed after the first

1 year of DSIC surcharges then every six months thereafter. SWRI proposes to zero
2 out the DSIC surcharge at the time of its next base rate case.

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4 **Q. Has SWRI identified any customer benefits associated with implementing a**
5 **DSIC?**

6 A. Yes. On page 4 of his testimony, Mr. Prettyman states that implementing a DSIC
7 would benefit its customers by: (1) reducing main breaks and associated overtime;
8 (2) improving water quality and fire flows; (3) lengthening time between rate cases
9 which reduces rate case expense; and (4) smaller rate increases over time thus
10 minimizing rate shock. In addition, the foregoing items would reduce operating
11 expenses over time.

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13 **Q. Has the Company quantified or reflected cost savings related to those claimed**
14 **benefits?**

15 A. It appears not.

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17 **Q. Does SWRI state whether its proposed DSIC has any customer protections?**

18 A. Yes. On page 5 of his testimony, Mr. Prettyman states the following:

19 Commissions have the ability to review the projects to ensure they
20 are appropriate and there is generally a cap on the amount of
21 increases that can happen between rate cases. DSICs in other states
22 also require that an earnings analysis be performed to determine if a
23 company is over earning; if a company is over earning, then the
24 surcharge would stop until such time as the company is in an under
25 earning position. Some states also perform an annual audit of the
26 program to review the actual projects implemented by the company.

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28 **Q. Is the Company proposing a cap on the DSIC surcharge?**

1 A. Yes. The Company is proposing a 7.5 percent cap on the proposed DSIC
2 surcharge.

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4 **Q. Should a cap be imposed on the DSIC surcharge?**

5 A. Yes, an annual cap of 2.5 percent and a cumulative cap of 7.5 percent should be
6 imposed.

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8 **Q. Has SWRI stated what would be included in the revenue requirement of the
9 proposed DSIC?**

10 A. Yes. The DSIC's rate of return would be based on what was approved in the
11 Company's last rate case and the DSIC rate base would include accumulated
12 depreciation and deferred federal income tax ("DFIT") on only qualified additions
13 plus depreciation expense. In addition, revenue taxes would be grossed-up and the
14 revenue requirement would be on a pre-tax basis.

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16 **Q. Do you agree with the establishment of the DSIC as proposed by SWRI?**

17 A. Not as proposed by SWRI. The Division is not opposed to having a DSIC for
18 SWRI, but the one proposed by SWRI is not being endorsed because it does not
19 provide for adequate review, is unbalanced in favor of investors and against
20 ratepayers, and lacks adequate customer protections.

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22 **Q. What modifications to the SWRI proposed DSIC are you presenting on behalf
23 of the Division?**

24 A. The following modifications should be made to the SWRI-proposed DSIC:

- 1 1) DSIC Eligible plant should be limited to replacement of non-revenue
2 producing transmission and distribution mains and services.
- 3 2) How Suez Water is financing its prospective replacement of utility
4 infrastructure, such as old, leak-prone transmission and distribution mains and
5 services, between rate cases should be carefully monitored. For example, if
6 such infrastructure replacement investment can be financed with short-term
7 debt or bonds between rate cases, ratepayers should not be charged with an
8 equity return. Additionally, since there would be virtually no risk of recovery
9 for the DSIC-includable projects, the return on equity applicable for the
10 surcharge should be reduced to reflect the lower risk.
- 11 3) Relationship to Base Rate Cases - At no point shall there be (i) utility plant
12 assets that are simultaneously included in base rates and a DSIC Rate
13 Component or (ii) a base rate that provides or will provide the Company with
14 recovery of revenues associated with the revenue requirement on investments
15 for which an DSIC Rate Component provides or will provide simultaneous
16 recovery (and vice versa). Calculations of utility plant in service and revenue
17 requirements in each base rate case and annual DSIC filing will include
18 appropriate adjustments to ensure these outcomes do not occur.
- 19 4) The Company shall not have a base rate case and a DSIC filing simultaneously
20 pending before the Commission.
- 21 5) Annual Cap of 2.5 percent - In each annual DSIC filing or amendment to an
22 DSIC filing, the DSIC Rate Component proposed to be collected in the
23 succeeding annual period (inclusive of the impact of any reconciliation
24 scheduled for implementation during that period) will be limited to an amount

1 that does not exceed 2.5 percent of the revenue requirement authorized in the
2 most recent base rate case.

3 6) Cumulative Cap of 7.5 percent - In each annual DSIC filing or amendment to
4 an DSIC filing, the DSIC Rate Component proposed to be collected in the
5 succeeding annual period (inclusive of the impact of any reconciliation
6 scheduled for implementation during that period) will be limited to an amount
7 that, when combined with the percentage increase(s) implemented through
8 previous DSIC filings since the most recent rate case, does not exceed 7.5
9 percent of the revenue requirement authorized in the most recent base rate case.

10 7) Reconciliation of estimated amounts used in DSIC filings - estimated amounts
11 for plant additions used in DSIC applications shall be trued-up to actual
12 amounts in the subsequent DSIC filing.

13 8) Earnings Test - The Company will not be permitted to implement a DSIC Rate
14 Component in the following circumstances:

15 (a) after a DSIC investment base reset to zero following a base rate case
16 order;

17 (b) if an annual DSIC Rate Component is already in place, to increase the
18 existing DSIC Rate Component with a subsequent calendar year's
19 incremental projected investment in DSIC Facilities; or

20 (c) if the Company's achieved return on average equity investment for
21 regulatory accounting purposes and measured on a calendar year
22 basis, exceeds the authorized return on common equity set in the
23 Company's most recent base rate case.

1 If one of these situations occurs, then the Company will still make its annual
2 DSIC filing, but only for purposes of maintaining the existing DSIC Rate
3 Component (if any) and for addressing any needed reconciliations of costs and
4 revenues from previous years.

5 9) The DSIC rate base will reflect deductions for an amount equivalent to the
6 annual depreciation expenses imbedded in the base rates for the types of plant
7 that are being addressed by the DSIC capital investment, such that there will be
8 no DSIC adjustment for a year until and unless the new capital spending for
9 non-revenue producing transmission and distribution mains and services
10 exceeds the amount of annual depreciation allowed for mains and services in
11 the Company's most recent rate case.

12 10) The DSIC will terminate after five years or until the utility has its base rates
13 reset in a base rate case, whichever occurs sooner;

14 11) The DSIC rate base will reflect a reduction for the provision for the accelerated
15 tax depreciation on the DSIC-includable plant additions, i.e., the DSIC rate
16 base will be reduced to reflect the ADIT amounts on DSIC includable plant.

17 12) As recognition of the reduction in risk related to regulatory lag and for
18 recovery of the revenue requirement associated with capital investment in
19 replacing mains and services between rate cases, the cost of capital for the
20 DSIC should be lower than the cost of capital used in the general rate case; and

21 13) The Division and Commission should have at least 120 days to review the
22 DSIC filing before rates are adjusted; and

1 14) Other reporting requirements, such as reporting on improvements in the quality
2 of service, reductions to leaks, and reductions to lost and unaccounted for
3 water, etc. should also be required.

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5 **Q. Does this complete your direct testimony?**

6 **A. Yes, it does.**

Exhibit RCS-1
QUALIFICATIONS OF RALPH C. SMITH

Accomplishments

Mr. Smith's professional credentials include being a Certified Financial Planner™ professional, a Certified Rate of Return Analyst, a licensed Certified Public Accountant and attorney. He functions as project manager on consulting projects involving utility regulation, regulatory policy and ratemaking and utility management. His involvement in public utility regulation has included project management and in-depth analyses of numerous issues involving telephone, electric, gas, and water and sewer utilities.

Mr. Smith has performed work in the field of utility regulation on behalf of industry, public service commission staffs, state attorney generals, municipalities, and consumer groups concerning regulatory matters before regulatory agencies in Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Nevada, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Washington DC, West Virginia, Canada, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and various state and federal courts of law. He has presented expert testimony in regulatory hearings on behalf of utility commission staffs and intervenors on several occasions.

Project manager in Larkin & Associates' review, on behalf of the Georgia Commission Staff, of the budget and planning activities of Georgia Power Company; supervised 13 professionals; coordinated over 200 interviews with Company budget center managers and executives; organized and edited voluminous audit report; presented testimony before the Commission. Functional areas covered included fossil plant O&M, headquarters and district operations, internal audit, legal, affiliated transactions, and responsibility reporting. All of our findings and recommendations were accepted by the Commission.

Key team member in the firm's management audit of the Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility on behalf of the Alaska Commission Staff, which assessed the effectiveness of the Utility's operations in several areas; responsible for in-depth investigation and report writing in areas involving information systems, finance and accounting, affiliated relationships and transactions, and use of outside contractors. Testified before the Alaska Commission concerning certain areas of the audit report. AWWU concurred with each of Mr. Smith's 40 plus recommendations for improvement.

Co-consultant in the analysis of the issues surrounding gas transportation performed for the law firm of Cravath, Swaine & Moore in conjunction with the case of Reynolds Metals Co. vs. the Columbia Gas System, Inc.; drafted in-depth report concerning the regulatory treatment at both state and federal levels of issues such as flexible pricing and mandatory gas transportation.

Lead consultant and expert witness in the analysis of the rate increase request of the City of Austin - Electric Utility on behalf of the residential consumers. Among the numerous ratemaking issues addressed were the economies of the Utility's employment of outside services; provided both written and oral testimony outlining recommendations and their bases. Most of Mr. Smith's recommendations were adopted by the City Council and Utility in a settlement.

Key team member performing an analysis of the rate stabilization plan submitted by the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company to the Florida PSC; performed comprehensive analysis of the Company's projections and budgets which were used as the basis for establishing rates.

Lead consultant in analyzing Southwestern Bell Telephone separations in Missouri; sponsored the complex technical analysis and calculations upon which the firm's testimony in that case was based. He has also assisted in analyzing changes in depreciation methodology for setting telephone rates.

Lead consultant in the review of gas cost recovery reconciliation applications of Michigan Gas Utilities Company, Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, and Consumers Power Company. Drafted recommendations regarding the appropriate rate of interest to be applied to any over or under collections and the proper procedures and allocation methodology to be used to distribute any refunds to customer classes.

Lead consultant in the review of Consumers Power Company's gas cost recovery refund plan. Addressed appropriate interest rate and compounding procedures and proper allocation methodology.

Project manager in the review of the request by Central Maine Power Company for an increase in rates. The major area addressed was the propriety of the Company's ratemaking attrition adjustment in relation to its corporate budgets and projections.

Project manager in an engagement designed to address the impacts of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 on gas distribution utility operations of the Northern States Power Company. Analyzed the reduction in the corporate tax rate, uncollectibles reserve, ACRS, unbilled revenues, customer advances, CIAC, and timing of TRA-related impacts associated with the Company's tax liability.

Project manager and expert witness in the determination of the impacts of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 on the operations of Connecticut Natural Gas Company on behalf of the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control - Prosecutorial Division, Connecticut Attorney General, and Connecticut Department of Consumer Counsel.

Lead Consultant for The Minnesota Department of Public Service ("DPS") to review the Minnesota Incentive Plan ("Incentive Plan") proposal presented by Northwestern Bell Telephone Company ("NWB") doing business as U S West Communications ("USWC"). Objective was to express an opinion as to whether current rates addressed by the plan were appropriate from a Minnesota intrastate revenue requirements and accounting perspective, and to assist in developing recommended modifications to NWB's proposed Plan.

Performed a variety of analytical and review tasks related to our work effort on this project. Obtained and reviewed data and performed other procedures as necessary (1) to obtain an understanding of the Company's Incentive Plan filing package as it relates to rate base, operating income, revenue requirements, and plan operation, and (2) to formulate an opinion concerning the reasonableness of current rates and of amounts included within the Company's Incentive Plan filing. These procedures included requesting and reviewing extensive discovery, visiting the Company's offices to review data, issuing follow-up information requests in many instances, telephone and on-site discussions with Company representatives, and frequent discussions with counsel and DPS Staff assigned to the project.

Lead Consultant in the regulatory analysis of Jersey Central Power & Light Company for the Department of the Public Advocate, Division of Rate Counsel. Tasks performed included on-site review and audit of Company, identification and analysis of specific issues, preparation of data requests, testimony, and cross examination questions. Testified in Hearings.

Assisted the NARUC Committee on Management Analysis with drafting the Consultant Standards for Management Audits.

Presented training seminars covering public utility accounting, tax reform, ratemaking, affiliated transaction auditing, rate case management, and regulatory policy in Maine, Georgia, Kentucky, and Pennsylvania. Seminars were presented to commission staffs and consumer interest groups.

Previous Positions

With Larkin, Chapski and Co., the predecessor firm to Larkin & Associates, was involved primarily in utility regulatory consulting, and also in tax planning and tax research for businesses and individuals, tax return preparation and review, and independent audit, review and preparation of financial statements.

Installed computerized accounting system for a realty management firm.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Administration in Accounting, with distinction, University of Michigan, Dearborn, 1979.

Master of Science in Taxation, Walsh College, Michigan, 1981. Master's thesis dealt with investment tax credit and property tax on various assets.

Juris Doctor, cum laude, Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, Michigan, 1986. Recipient of American Jurisprudence Award for academic excellence.

Continuing education required to maintain CPA license and CFP® certificate.

Passed all parts of CPA examination in first sitting, 1979. Received CPA certificate in 1981 and Certified Financial Planning certificate in 1983. Admitted to Michigan and Federal bars in 1986.

Michigan Bar Association.

American Bar Association, sections on public utility law and taxation.

Partial list of utility cases participated in:

79-228-EL-FAC	Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (Ohio PUC)
79-231-EL-FAC	Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (Ohio PUC)
79-535-EL-AIR	East Ohio Gas Company (Ohio PUC)
80-235-EL-FAC	Ohio Edison Company (Ohio PUC)
80-240-EL-FAC	Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (Ohio PUC)
U-1933	Tucson Electric Power Company (Arizona Corp. Commission)
U-6794	Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. --16 Refunds (Michigan PSC)
81-0035TP	Southern Bell Telephone Company (Florida PSC)
81-0095TP	General Telephone Company of Florida (Florida PSC)
81-308-EL-EFC	Dayton Power & Light Co.- Fuel Adjustment Clause (Ohio PUC)
810136-EU	Gulf Power Company (Florida PSC)
GR-81-342	Northern States Power Co. -- E-002/Minnesota (Minnesota PUC)
Tr-81-208	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Missouri PSC))
U-6949	Detroit Edison Company (Michigan PSC)
8400	East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (Kentucky PSC)
18328	Alabama Gas Corporation (Alabama PSC)
18416	Alabama Power Company (Alabama PSC)
820100-EU	Florida Power Corporation (Florida PSC)
8624	Kentucky Utilities (Kentucky PSC)
8648	East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. (Kentucky PSC)
U-7236	Detroit Edison - Burlington Northern Refund (Michigan PSC)
U6633-R	Detroit Edison - MRCS Program (Michigan PSC)
U-6797-R	Consumers Power Company -MRCS Program (Michigan PSC)
U-5510-R	Consumers Power Company - Energy conservation Finance Program (Michigan PSC)
82-240E	South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (South Carolina PSC)
7350	Generic Working Capital Hearing (Michigan PSC)
RH-1-83	Westcoast Transmission Co., (National Energy Board of Canada)
820294-TP	Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co. (Florida PSC)
82-165-EL-EFC (Subfile A)	Toledo Edison Company(Ohio PUC)
82-168-EL-EFC	Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (Ohio PUC)
830012-EU	Tampa Electric Company (Florida PSC)
U-7065	The Detroit Edison Company - Fermi II (Michigan PSC)
8738	Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (Kentucky PSC)
ER-83-206	Arkansas Power & Light Company (Missouri PSC)
U-4758	The Detroit Edison Company – Refunds (Michigan PSC)
8836	Kentucky American Water Company (Kentucky PSC)
8839	Western Kentucky Gas Company (Kentucky PSC)
83-07-15	Connecticut Light & Power Co. (Connecticut DPU)
81-0485-WS	Palm Coast Utility Corporation (Florida PSC)
U-7650	Consumers Power Co. (Michigan PSC)
83-662	Continental Telephone Company of California, (Nevada PSC)
U-6488-R	Detroit Edison Co., FAC & PIPAC Reconciliation (Michigan PSC)
U-15684	Louisiana Power & Light Company (Louisiana PSC)
7395 & U-7397	Campaign Ballot Proposals (Michigan PSC)
820013-WS	Seacoast Utilities (Florida PSC)
U-7660	Detroit Edison Company (Michigan PSC)
83-1039	CP National Corporation (Nevada PSC)
U-7802	Michigan Gas Utilities Company (Michigan PSC)
83-1226	Sierra Pacific Power Company (Nevada PSC)
830465-EI	Florida Power & Light Company (Florida PSC)
U-7777	Michigan Consolidated Gas Company (Michigan PSC)
U-7779	Consumers Power Company (Michigan PSC)

U-7480-R	Michigan Consolidated Gas Company (Michigan PSC)
U-7488-R	Consumers Power Company – Gas (Michigan PSC)
U-7484-R	Michigan Gas Utilities Company (Michigan PSC)
U-7550-R	Detroit Edison Company (Michigan PSC)
U-7477-R**	Indiana & Michigan Electric Company (Michigan PSC)
18978	Continental Telephone Co. of the South Alabama (Alabama PSC)
R-842583	Duquesne Light Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-842740	Pennsylvania Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
850050-EI	Tampa Electric Company (Florida PSC)
16091	Louisiana Power & Light Company (Louisiana PSC)
19297	Continental Telephone Co. of the South Alabama (Alabama PSC)
76-18788AA	
&76-18793AA	Detroit Edison - Refund - Appeal of U-4807 (Ingham County, Michigan Circuit Court)
85-53476AA	
& 85-534785AA	Detroit Edison Refund - Appeal of U-4758 (Ingham County, Michigan Circuit Court)
U-8091/U-8239	Consumers Power Company - Gas Refunds (Michigan PSC)
TR-85-179**	United Telephone Company of Missouri (Missouri PSC)
85-212	Central Maine Power Company (Maine PSC)
ER-85646001	
& ER-85647001	New England Power Company (FERC)
850782-EI &	
850783-EI	Florida Power & Light Company (Florida PSC)
R-860378	Duquesne Light Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-850267	Pennsylvania Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
851007-WU	
& 840419-SU	Florida Cities Water Company (Florida PSC)
G-002/GR-86-160	Northern States Power Company (Minnesota PSC)
7195 (Interim)	Gulf States Utilities Company (Texas PUC)
87-01-03	Connecticut Natural Gas Company (Connecticut PUC))
87-01-02	Southern New England Telephone Company (Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control)
3673-	Georgia Power Company (Georgia PSC)
29484	Long Island Lighting Co. (New York Dept. of Public Service)
U-8924	Consumers Power Company – Gas (Michigan PSC)
Docket No. 1	Austin Electric Utility (City of Austin, Texas)
Docket E-2, Sub 527	Carolina Power & Light Company (North Carolina PUC)
870853	Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
880069**	Southern Bell Telephone Company (Florida PSC)
U-1954-88-102	Citizens Utilities Rural Company, Inc. & Citizens Utilities Company, Kingman Telephone Division (Arizona CC)
T E-1032-88-102	Illinois Bell Telephone Company (Illinois CC)
89-0033	Puget Sound Power & Light Company (Washington UTC))
U-89-2688-T	Philadelphia Electric Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-891364	Potomac Electric Power Company (District of Columbia PSC)
F.C. 889	Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, et al Plaintiffs, v. Gulf+Western, Inc. et al, defendants (Supreme Court County of Onondaga, State of New York)
Case No. 88/546	
87-11628	Duquesne Light Company, et al, plaintiffs, against Gulf+Western, Inc. et al, defendants (Court of the Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania Civil Division)
890319-EI	Florida Power & Light Company (Florida PSC)
891345-EI	Gulf Power Company (Florida PSC)
ER 8811 0912J	Jersey Central Power & Light Company (BPU)
6531	Hawaiian Electric Company (Hawaii PUCs)

R0901595	Equitable Gas Company (Pennsylvania Consumer Counsel)
90-10	Artesian Water Company (Delaware PSC)
89-12-05	Southern New England Telephone Company (Connecticut PUC)
900329-WS	Southern States Utilities, Inc. (Florida PSC)
90-12-018	Southern California Edison Company (California PUC)
90-E-1185	Long Island Lighting Company (New York DPS)
R-911966	Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
I.90-07-037, Phase II	(Investigation of OPEBs) Department of the Navy and all Other Federal Executive Agencies (California PUC)
U-1551-90-322	Southwest Gas Corporation (Arizona CC)
U-1656-91-134	Sun City Water Company (Arizona RUCO)
U-2013-91-133	Havasu Water Company (Arizona RUCO)
91-174***	Central Maine Power Company (Department of the Navy and all Other Federal Executive Agencies)
U-1551-89-102	Southwest Gas Corporation - Rebuttal and PGA Audit (Arizona Corporation Commission)
& U-1551-89-103	
Docket No. 6998	Hawaiian Electric Company (Hawaii PUC)
TC-91-040A and	Intrastate Access Charge Methodology, Pool and Rates
TC-91-040B	Local Exchange Carriers Association and South Dakota Independent Telephone Coalition
9911030-WS &	General Development Utilities - Port Malabar and
911-67-WS	West Coast Divisions (Florida PSC)
922180	The Peoples Natural Gas Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
7233 and 7243	Hawaiian Nonpension Postretirement Benefits (Hawaiian PUC)
R-00922314	
& M-920313C006	Metropolitan Edison Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R00922428	Pennsylvania American Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
E-1032-92-083 &	
U-1656-92-183	Citizens Utilities Company, Agua Fria Water Division (Arizona Corporation Commission)
92-09-19	Southern New England Telephone Company (Connecticut PUC)
E-1032-92-073	Citizens Utilities Company (Electric Division), (Arizona CC)
UE-92-1262	Puget Sound Power and Light Company (Washington UTC)
92-345	Central Maine Power Company (Maine PUC)
R-932667	Pennsylvania Gas & Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
U-93-60**	Matanuska Telephone Association, Inc. (Alaska PUC)
U-93-50**	Anchorage Telephone Utility (Alaska PUC)
U-93-64	PTI Communications (Alaska PUC)
7700	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. (Hawaii PUC)
E-1032-93-111 &	Citizens Utilities Company - Gas Division
U-1032-93-193	(Arizona Corporation Commission)
R-00932670	Pennsylvania American Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
U-1514-93-169/	Sale of Assets CC&N from Contel of the West, Inc. to
E-1032-93-169	Citizens Utilities Company (Arizona Corporation Commission)
7766	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. (Hawaii PUC)
93-2006- GA-AIR	The East Ohio Gas Company (Ohio PUC)
94-E-0334	Consolidated Edison Company (New York DPS)
94-0270	Inter-State Water Company (Illinois Commerce Commission)
94-0097	Citizens Utilities Company, Kauai Electric Division (Hawaii PUC)
PU-314-94-688	Application for Transfer of Local Exchanges (North Dakota PSC)
94-12-005-Phase I	Pacific Gas & Electric Company (California PUC)
R-953297	UGI Utilities, Inc. - Gas Division (Pennsylvania PUC)
95-03-01	Southern New England Telephone Company (Connecticut PUC)
95-0342	Consumer Illinois Water, Kankakee Water District (Illinois CC)
94-996-EL-AIR	Ohio Power Company (Ohio PUC)
95-1000-E	South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (South Carolina PSC)

Non-Docketed Staff Investigation E-1032-95-473 E-1032-95-433	Citizens Utility Company - Arizona Telephone Operations (Arizona Corporation Commission) Citizens Utility Co. - Northern Arizona Gas Division (Arizona CC) Citizens Utility Co. - Arizona Electric Division (Arizona CC) Collaborative Ratemaking Process Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania (Pennsylvania PUC)
GR-96-285 94-10-45 A.96-08-001 et al.	Missouri Gas Energy (Missouri PSC) Southern New England Telephone Company (Connecticut PUC) California Utilities' Applications to Identify Sunk Costs of Non- Nuclear Generation Assets, & Transition Costs for Electric Utility Restructuring, & Consolidated Proceedings (California PUC)
96-324 96-08-070, et al.	Bell Atlantic - Delaware, Inc. (Delaware PSC) Pacific Gas & Electric Co., Southern California Edison Co. and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (California PUC)
97-05-12 R-00973953	Connecticut Light & Power (Connecticut PUC) Application of PECO Energy Company for Approval of its Restructuring Plan Under Section 2806 of the Public Utility Code (Pennsylvania PUC)
97-65	Application of Delmarva Power & Light Co. for Application of a Cost Accounting Manual and a Code of Conduct (Delaware PSC)
16705 E-1072-97-067 Non-Docketed Staff Investigation PU-314-97-12 97-0351 97-8001	Entergy Gulf States, Inc. (Cities Steering Committee) Southwestern Telephone Co. (Arizona Corporation Commission) Delaware - Estimate Impact of Universal Services Issues (Delaware PSC) US West Communications, Inc. Cost Studies (North Dakota PSC) Consumer Illinois Water Company (Illinois CC) Investigation of Issues to be Considered as a Result of Restructuring of Electric Industry (Nevada PSC)
U-0000-94-165	Generic Docket to Consider Competition in the Provision of Retail Electric Service (Arizona Corporation Commission)
98-05-006-Phase I 9355-U 97-12-020 - Phase I U-98-56, U-98-60, U-98-65, U-98-67 (U-99-66, U-99-65, U-99-56, U-99-52) Phase II of 97-SCCC-149-GIT PU-314-97-465 Non-docketed Assistance Contract Dispute	San Diego Gas & Electric Co., Section 386 costs (California PUC) Georgia Power Company Rate Case (Georgia PUC) Pacific Gas & Electric Company (California PUC) Investigation of 1998 Intrastate Access charge filings (Alaska PUC) Investigation of 1999 Intrastate Access Charge filing (Alaska PUC) Southwestern Bell Telephone Company Cost Studies (Kansas CC) US West Universal Service Cost Model (North Dakota PSC) Bell Atlantic - Delaware, Inc., Review of New Telecomm. and Tariff Filings (Delaware PSC) City of Zeeland, MI - Water Contract with the City of Holland, MI (Before an arbitration panel)
Non-docketed Project Non-docketed Project	City of Danville, IL - Valuation of Water System (Danville, IL) Village of University Park, IL - Valuation of Water and Sewer System (Village of University Park, Illinois)

E-1032-95-417	Citizens Utility Co., Maricopa Water/Wastewater Companies et al. (Arizona Corporation Commission)
T-1051B-99-0497	Proposed Merger of the Parent Corporation of Qwest Communications Corporation, LCI International Telecom Corp., and US West Communications, Inc. (Arizona CC)
T-01051B-99-0105	US West Communications, Inc. Rate Case (Arizona CC)
A00-07-043	Pacific Gas & Electric - 2001 Attrition (California PUC)
T-01051B-99-0499	US West/Quest Broadband Asset Transfer (Arizona CC)
99-419/420	US West, Inc. Toll and Access Rebalancing (North Dakota PSC)
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98-0252	Ameritech - Illinois, Review of Alternative Regulation Plan (Illinois CUB)
00-108	Delmarva Billing System Investigation (Delaware PSC)
U-00-28	Matanuska Telephone Association (Alaska PUC)
Non-Docketed	Management Audit and Market Power Mitigation Analysis of the Merged Gas System Operation of Pacific Enterprises and Enova Corporation (California PUC)
00-11-038	Southern California Edison (California PUC)
00-11-056	Pacific Gas & Electric (California PUC)
00-10-028	The Utility Reform Network for Modification of Resolution E-3527 (California PUC)
98-479	Delmarva Power & Light Application for Approval of its Electric and Fuel Adjustments Costs (Delaware PSC)
99-457	Delaware Electric Cooperative Restructuring Filing (Delaware PSC)
99-582	Delmarva Power & Light dba Conectiv Power Delivery Analysis of Code of Conduct and Cost Accounting Manual (Delaware PSC)
99-03-04	United Illuminating Company Recovery of Stranded Costs (Connecticut OCC)
99-03-36	Connecticut Light & Power (Connecticut OCC)
Civil Action No.	
98-1117	West Penn Power Company vs. PA PUC (Pennsylvania PSC)
Case No. 12604	Upper Peninsula Power Company (Michigan AG)
Case No. 12613	Wisconsin Public Service Commission (Michigan AG)
41651	Northern Indiana Public Service Co Overearnings investigation (Indiana UCC)
13605-U	Savannah Electric & Power Company – FCR (Georgia PSC)
14000-U	Georgia Power Company Rate Case/M&S Review (Georgia PSC)
13196-U	Savannah Electric & Power Company Natural Gas Procurement and Risk Management/Hedging Proposal, Docket No. 13196-U (Georgia PSC)
Non-Docketed	Georgia Power Company & Savannah Electric & Power FPR Company Fuel Procurement Audit (Georgia PSC)
Non-Docketed	Transition Costs of Nevada Vertically Integrated Utilities (US Department of Navy)
Application No.	Post-Transition Ratemaking Mechanisms for the Electric Industry
99-01-016,	Restructuring (US Department of Navy)
Phase I	
99-02-05	Connecticut Light & Power (Connecticut OCC)
01-05-19-RE03	Yankee Gas Service Application for a Rate Increase, Phase I-2002-IERM (Connecticut OCC)
G-01551A-00-0309	Southwest Gas Corporation, Application to amend its rate Schedules (Arizona CC)
00-07-043	Pacific Gas & Electric Company Attrition & Application for a rate increase (California PUC)

97-12-020	
Phase II	Pacific Gas & Electric Company Rate Case (California PUC)
01-10-10	United Illuminating Company (Connecticut OCC)
13711-U	Georgia Power FCR (Georgia PSC)
02-001	Verizon Delaware § 271(Delaware DPA)
02-BLVT-377-AUD	Blue Valley Telephone Company Audit/General Rate Investigation (Kansas CC)
02-S&TT-390-AUD	S&T Telephone Cooperative Audit/General Rate Investigation (Kansas CC)
01-SFLT-879-AUD	Sunflower Telephone Company Inc., Audit/General Rate Investigation (Kansas CC)
01-BSTT-878-AUD	Bluestem Telephone Company, Inc. Audit/General Rate Investigation (Kansas CC)
P404, 407, 520, 413 426, 427, 430, 421/ CI-00-712	Sherburne County Rural Telephone Company, dba as Connections, Etc. (Minnesota DOC)
U-01-85	ACS of Alaska, dba as Alaska Communications Systems (ACS), Rate Case (Alaska Regulatory Commission PAS)
U-01-34	ACS of Anchorage, dba as Alaska Communications Systems (ACS), Rate Case (Alaska Regulatory Commission PAS)
U-01-83	ACS of Fairbanks, dba as Alaska Communications Systems (ACS), Rate Case (Alaska Regulatory Commission PAS)
U-01-87	ACS of the Northland, dba as Alaska Communications Systems (ACS), Rate Case (Alaska Regulatory Commission PAS)
96-324, Phase II	Verizon Delaware, Inc. UNE Rate Filing (Delaware PSC)
03-WHST-503-AUD	Wheat State Telephone Company (Kansas CC)
04-GNBT-130-AUD	Golden Belt Telephone Association (Kansas CC)
Docket 6914	Shoreham Telephone Company, Inc. (Vermont BPU)
Docket No.	
E-01345A-06-009	Arizona Public Service Company (Arizona Corporation Commission)
Case No.	
05-1278-E-PC-PW-42T	Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company both d/b/a American Electric Power (West Virginia PSC)
Docket No. 04-0113	Hawaiian Electric Company (Hawaii PUC)
Case No. U-14347	Consumers Energy Company (Michigan PSC)
Case No. 05-725-EL-UNC	Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (PUC of Ohio)
Docket No. 21229-U	Savannah Electric & Power Company (Georgia PSC)
Docket No. 19142-U	Georgia Power Company (Georgia PSC)
Docket No.	
03-07-01RE01	Connecticut Light & Power Company (CT DPUC)
Docket No. 19042-U	Savannah Electric & Power Company (Georgia PSC)
Docket No. 2004-178-E	South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (South Carolina PSC)
Docket No. 03-07-02	Connecticut Light & Power Company (CT DPUC)
Docket No. EX02060363,	
Phases I&II	Rockland Electric Company (NJ BPU)
Docket No. U-00-88	ENSTAR Natural Gas Company and Alaska Pipeline Company (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
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Docket No. 05-SCNT-1048-AUD	South Central Telephone Company (Kansas CC)
Docket No. 05-TRCT-607-KSF	Tri-County Telephone Company (Kansas CC)
Docket No. 05-KOKT-060-AUD	Kan Okla Telephone Company (Kansas CC)
Docket No. 2002-747	Northland Telephone Company of Maine (Maine PUC)

Docket No. 2003-34	Sidney Telephone Company (Maine PUC)
Docket No. 2003-35	Maine Telephone Company (Maine PUC)
Docket No. 2003-36	China Telephone Company (Maine PUC)
Docket No. 2003-37	Standish Telephone Company (Maine PUC)
Docket Nos. U-04-022, U-04-023	Anchorage Water and Wastewater Utility (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
Case 05-116-U/06-055-U	Entergy Arkansas, Inc. EFC (Arkansas Public Service Commission)
Case 04-137-U	Southwest Power Pool RTO (Arkansas Public Service Commission)
Case No. 7109/7160	Vermont Gas Systems (Department of Public Service)
Case No. ER-2006-0315	Empire District Electric Company (Missouri PSC)
Case No. ER-2006-0314	Kansas City Power & Light Company (Missouri PSC)
Docket No. U-05-043,44	Golden Heart Utilities/College Park Utilities (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
A-122250F5000	Equitable Resources, Inc. and The Peoples Natural Gas Company, d/b/a Dominion Peoples (Pennsylvania PUC)
E-01345A-05-0816	Arizona Public Service Company (Arizona CC)
Docket No. 05-304	Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delaware PSC)
05-806-EL-UNC	Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (Ohio PUC)
U-06-45	Anchorage Water Utility (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
03-93-EL-ATA,	
06-1068-EL-UNC	Duke Energy Ohio (Ohio PUC)
PUE-2006-00065	Appalachian Power Company (Virginia Corporation Commission)
G-04204A-06-0463 et. al	UNS Gas, Inc. (Arizona CC)
U-06-134	Chugach Electric Association, Inc. (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
Docket No. 2006-0386	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc (Hawaii PUC)
E-01933A-07-0402	Tucson Electric Power Company (Arizona CC)
G-01551A-07-0504	Southwest Gas Corporation (Arizona CC)
Docket No.UE-072300	Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (Washington UTC)
PUE-2008-00009	Virginia-American Water Company (Virginia SCC)
PUE-2008-00046	Appalachian Power Company (Virginia SCC)
E-01345A-08-0172	Arizona Public Service Company (Arizona CC)
A-2008-2063737	Babcock & Brown Infrastructure Fund North America, LP. and The Peoples Natural Gas Company, d/b/a Dominion Peoples (Pennsylvania PUC)
08-1783-G-42T	Hope Gas, Inc., dba Dominion Hope (West Virginia PSC)
08-1761-G-PC	Hope Gas, Inc., dba Dominion Hope, Dominion Resources, Inc., and Peoples Hope Gas Companies (West Virginia PSC)
Docket No. 2008-0083	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. (Hawaii PUC)
Docket No. 2008-0266	Young Brothers, Limited (Hawaii PUC)
G-04024A-08-0571	UNS Gas, Inc. (Arizona CC)
Docket No. 09-29	Tidewater Utilities, Inc. (Delaware PSC)
Docket No. UE-090704	Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (Washington UTC)
09-0878-G-42T	Mountaineer Gas Company (West Virginia PSC)
2009-UA-0014	Mississippi Power Company (Mississippi PSC)
Docket No. 09-0319	Illinois-American Water Company (Illinois CC)
Docket No. 09-414	Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delaware PSC)
R-2009-2132019	Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc. (Pennsylvania PUC)
Docket Nos. U-09-069, U-09-070	ENSTAR Natural Gas Company (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
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09-872-EL-FAC & 09-873-EL-FAC	Financial Audits of the FAC of the Columbus Southern Power Company and the Ohio Power Company - Audit I (Ohio PUC)

2010-00036	Kentucky-American Water Company (Kentucky PSC)
E-04100A-09-0496	Southwest Transmission Cooperative, IHnc. (Arizona CC)
E-01773A-09-0472	Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (Arizona CC)
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R-2010-2166210,	
R-2010-2166212, &	
R-2010-2166214	Pennsylvania-American Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
PSC Docket No. 09-0602	Central Illinois Light Company D/B/A AmerenCILCO; Central Illinois Public Service Company D/B/A AmerenCIPS; Illinois Power Company D/B/A AmerenIP (Illinois CC)
10-0713-E-PC	Allegheny Power and FirstEnergy Corp. (West Virginia PSC)
Docket No. 31958	Georgia Power Company (Georgia PSC)
Docket No. 10-0467	Commonwealth Edison Company (Illinois CC)
PSC Docket No. 10-237	Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delaware PSC)
U-10-51	Cook Inlet Natural Gas Storage Alaska, LLC (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
10-0699-E-42T	Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (West Virginia PSC)
10-0920-W-42T	West Virginia-American Water Company (West Virginia PSC)
A.10-07-007	California-American Water Company (California PUC)
A-2010-2210326	TWP Acquisition (Pennsylvania PUC)
09-1012-EL-FAC	Financial, Management, and Performance Audit of the FAC for Dayton Power and Light – Audit 1 (Ohio PUC)
10-268-EL FAC et al.	Financial Audit of the FAC of the Columbus Southern Power Company and the Ohio Power Company – Audit II (Ohio PUC)
Docket No. 2010-0080	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. (Hawaii PUC)
G-01551A-10-0458	Southwest Gas Corporation (Arizona CC)
10-KCPE-415-RTS	Kansas City Power & Light Company – Remand (Kansas CC)
PUE-2011-00037	Virginia Appalachian Power Company (Commonwealth of Virginia SCC)
R-2011-2232243	Pennsylvania-American Water (Pennsylvania PUC)
U-11-100	Power Purchase Agreement between Chugach Association, Inc. and Fire Island Wind, LLC (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
A.10-12-005	San Diego Gas & Electric Company (California PUC)
PSC Docket No. 11-207	Artesian Water Company, Inc. (Delaware PSC)
Cause No. 44022	Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission)
PSC Docket No. 10-247	Management Audit of Tidewater Utilities, Inc. Affiliate Transactions (Delaware Public Service Commission)
G-04204A-11-0158	UNS Gas, Inc. (Arizona Corporation Commission)
E-01345A-11-0224	Arizona Public Service Company (Arizona CC)
UE-111048 & UE-111049	Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission)
Docket No. 11-0721	Commonwealth Edison Company (Illinois CC)
11AL-947E	Public Service Company of Colorado (Colorado PSC)
U-11-77 & U-11-78	Golden Heart Utilities, Inc. and College Utilities Corporation (The Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
Docket No. 11-0767	Illinois-American Water Company (Illinois CC)
PSC Docket No. 11-397	Tidewater Utilities, Inc. (Delaware PSC)
Cause No. 44075	Indiana Michigan Power Company (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission)
Docket No. 12-0001	Ameren Illinois Company (Illinois CC)
11-5730-EL-FAC	Financial, Management, and Performance Audit of the FAC for Dayton Power and Light – Audit 2 (Ohio PUC)
PSC Docket No. 11-528	Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delaware PSC)
11-281-EL-FAC et al.	Financial Audit of the FAC of the Columbus Southern Power Company and the Ohio Power Company – Audit III (Ohio PUC)

Cause No. 43114-IGCC-4S1	Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission)
Docket No. 12-0293	Ameren Illinois Company (Illinois CC)
Docket No. 12-0321	Commonwealth Edison Company (Illinois CC)
12-02019 & 12-04005	Southwest Gas Corporation (Public Utilities Commission of Nevada)
Docket No. 2012-218-E	South Carolina Electric & Gas (South Carolina PSC)
Docket No. E-72, Sub 479	Dominion North Carolina Power (North Carolina Utilities Commission)
12-0511 & 12-0512	North Shore Gas Company and The Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company (Illinois CC)
E-01933A-12-0291	Tucson Electric Power Company (Arizona CC)
Case No. 9311	Potomac Electric Power Company (Maryland PSC)
Cause No. 43114-IGCC-10	Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission)
Docket No. 36498	Georgia Power Company (Georgia PSC)
Case No. 9316	Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc. (Maryland PSC)
Docket No. 13-0192	Ameren Illinois Company (Illinois CC)
12-1649-W-42T	West Virginia-American Water Company (West Virginia PSC)
E-04204A-12-0504	UNS Electric, Inc. (Arizona CC)
PUE-2013-00020	Virginia and Electric Power Company (Virginia SCC)
R-2013-2355276	Pennsylvania-American Water Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
Formal Case No. 1103	Potomac Electric Power Company (District of Columbia PSC)
U-13-007	Chugach Electric Association, Inc. (The Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
12-2881-EL-FAC	Financial, Management, and Performance Audit of the FAC for Dayton Power and Light – Audit 3 (Ohio PUC)
Docket No. 36989	Georgia Power Company (Georgia PSC)
Cause No. 43114-IGCC-11	Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission)
UM 1633	Investigation into Treatment of Pension Costs in Utility Rates (Oregon PUC)
13-1892-EL FAC	Financial Audit of the FAC and AER of the Ohio Power Company – Audit I (Ohio PUC)
E-04230A-14-0011 & E-01933A-14-0011	Reorganization of UNS Energy Corporation with Fortis, Inc. (Arizona CC)
14-255-EL RDR	Regulatory Compliance Audit of the 2013 DIR of Ohio Power Company (Ohio PUC)
U-14-001	Chugach Electric Association, Inc. (The Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
U-14-002	Alaska Power Company (The Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
PUE-2014-00026	Virginia Appalachian Power Company (Commonwealth of Virginia SCC)
14-0117-EL-FAC	Financial, Management, and Performance Audit of the FAC and Purchased Power Rider for Dayton Power and Light – Audit 1 (Ohio PUC)
14-0702-E-42T	Monongahela Power Company and The Potomac Edison Company (West Virginia PSC)
Formal Case No. 1119	Merger of Exelon Corporation, Pepco Holdings, Inc., Potomac Electric Power Company, Exelon Energy Delivery Company, LLC, and New Special Purpose Entity, LLC (District of Columbia PSC)
R-2014-2428742	West Penn Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-2014-2428743	Pennsylvania Electric Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-2014-2428744	Pennsylvania Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-2014-2428745	Metropolitan Edison Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
Cause No. 43114-IGCC-12/13	Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. (Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission)
14-1152-E-42T	Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (West Virginia PSC)
WS-01303A-14-0010	EPCOR Water Arizona, Inc. (Arizona CC)
2014-000396	Kentucky Power Company (Kentucky PSC)
15-03-45 [^]	Iberdrola, S.A. Et Al, and UIL Holdings Corporation merger (Connecticut PURA)
A.14-11-003	San Diego Gas & Electric Company (California PUC)
U-14-111	ENSTAR Natural Gas Company (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)

2015-UN-049	Atmos Energy Corporation (Mississippi PSC)
15-0003-G-42T	Mountaineer Gas Company (West Virginia PSC)
PUE-2015-00027	Virginia Electric and Power Company (Commonwealth of Virginia SCC)
Docket No. 2015-0022	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., Maui Electric Company Limited, and NextEra Energy, Inc. (Hawaii PUC)
15-0676-W-42T	West Virginia-American Water Company (West Virginia PSC)
15-07-38 ^{^^}	Iberdrola, S.A. Et Al, and UIL Holdings Corporation merger (Connecticut PURA)
15-26 ^{^^}	Iberdrola, S.A. Et Al, and UIL Holdings Corporation merger (Massachusetts DPU)
15-042-EL-FAC	Management/Performance and Financial Audit of the FAC and Purchased Power Rider for Dayton Power and Light (Ohio PUC)
2015-UN-0080	Mississippi Power Company (Mississippi PSC)
Docket No. 15-00042	B&W Pipeline, LLC (Tennessee Regulatory Authority)
WR-2015-0301/SR-2015-0302	Missouri American Water Company (Missouri PSC)
U-15-089, U-15-091, & U-15-092	Golden Heart Utilities, Inc. and College Utilities Corporation (The Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
Docket No. 16-00001	Kingsport Power Company d/b/a AEP Appalachian Power (Tennessee Regulatory Authority)
PUE-2015-00097	Virginia-American Water Company (Commonwealth of Virginia SCC)
15-1854-EL-RDR	Management/Performance and Financial Audit of the Alternative Energy Recovery Rider of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Ohio PUC)
P-15-014	PTE Pipeline LLC (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
P-15-020	Swanson River Oil Pipeline, LLC (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
Docket No. 40161	Georgia Power Company – Integrated Resource Plan (Georgia PSC)
Formal Case No. 1137	Washington Gas Light Company (District of Columbia PSC)
160021-EI, et al.	Florida Power Company (Florida PSC)
R-2016-2537349	Metropolitan Edison Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-2016-2537352	Pennsylvania Electric Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-2016-2537355	Pennsylvania Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
R-2016-2537359	West Penn Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
16-0717-G-390P	Hope Gas, Inc., dba Dominion Hope (West Virginia PSC)
15-1256-G-390P	
(Reopening)/16-0922-G-390P	Mountaineer Gas Company (West Virginia PSC)
16-0550-W-P	West Virginia-American Water Company (West Virginia PSC)
CEPR-AP-2015-0001	Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (Puerto Rico Energy Commission)
E-01345A-16-0036	Arizona Public Service Company (Arizona CC)
Docket No. 4618	Providence Water Supply Board (Rhode Island PUC)
Docket No. 46238	Joint Report and Application of Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC and NextEra Energy Inc. (Texas State Office of Administrative Hearings; Texas PUC)
U-16-066	ENSTAR Natural Gas Company (Regulatory Commission of Alaska)
Case No. 2016-00370	Kentucky Utilities Company (Kentucky PSC)
Case No. 2016-00371	Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Kentucky PSC)
P-2015-2508942	Metropolitan Edison Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
P-2015-2508936	Pennsylvania Electric Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
P-2015-2508931	Pennsylvania Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
P-2015-2508948	West Penn Power Company (Pennsylvania PUC)
E-04204A-15-0142*	UNS Electric, Inc. (Arizona CC)
E-01933A-15-0322*	Tucson Electric Power Company (Arizona CC)
UE-170033 & UG-170034*	Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (Washington UTC)
Case No. U-18239	Consumers Energy Company (Michigan PSC)
Case No. U-18248	DTE Electric Company (Michigan PSC)

Case No. 9449	Merger of AltaGas Ltd. and WGL Holdings (Maryland PSC)
Formal Case No. 1142	Merger of AltaGas Ltd. and WGL Holdings (District of Columbia PSC)
Case No. 2017-00179	Kentucky Power Company (Kentucky PSC)
Docket No. 29849	Georgia Power Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4, VCM 17 (Georgia PSC)
Docket No. 2017-AD-112	Mississippi Power Company (Mississippi PSC)
Docket No. D2017.9.79	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana PSC)
SW-01428A-17-0058 et al	Liberty Utilities (Litchfield Park Water & Sewer) Corp. (Arizona CC)

* Testimony filed, examination not completed

** Issues stipulated

*** Company withdrew case

^ Testimony filed, case withdrawn after proposed decision issued

^^ Issues stipulated before testimony was filed

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Revenue Requirement and Adjustment Schedules
Accompanying the Direct Testimony of Ralph Smith

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Suez Water Rhode Island, Inc.
 Calculation of Revenue Deficiency (Sufficiency)

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Line No.	Description	Reference	Per Company (A)	Per Division (B)	Difference (C)
1	Adjusted rate base	B	\$ 20,542,519	\$ 20,241,177	\$ (301,342)
2	Rate of return	D	7.82%	6.98%	
3	Net operating income required		\$ 1,606,425	\$ 1,412,834	\$ (193,591)
4	Adjusted net operating income	C	\$ 810,371	\$ 1,074,714	\$ 264,343
5	Net operating income deficiency		\$ 796,054	\$ 338,120	\$ (457,934)
6	Gross revenue conversion factor	A-1	1.287424	1.287424	
7	Revenue deficiency		\$ 1,024,859	\$ 435,303	\$ (589,556)
8	Rounding		\$ (3)		
9	Revenue deficiency		\$ 1,024,856	\$ 435,303	\$ (589,553)
Notes and Source					
10	Operating Revenue at Current Rates	C	\$ 4,813,887	\$ 4,813,887	
11	Percentage Increase	L9 / L10	21.29%	9.04%	

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Revenue Requirement Reconciliation
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Line No.	Description	Schedule Reference	Component	Division Adjustments (A)	Division Multiplier (B)	Division Revenue Requirement Amount (C)
	Rate Base	D	ROR Difference		-0.8400%	
		A-1	GRCF		x 1.287424	
1	Rate Base per Suez's Filing	B		\$ 20,542,519	-1.081%	\$ (222,154)
	Effect of Division Adjustments to Rate Base	D	Rate of Return		6.980%	
		A-1	GRCF		x 1.287424	
2	Unamortized Rate Case Expense	B-1		\$ (87,383)	8.99%	\$ (7,852)
3	Cash Working Capital	B-2		\$ (213,959)	8.99%	\$ (19,227)
4	Total Division Rate Base Adjustments			<u>\$ (301,342)</u>		
5	Division Adjusted Original Cost Rate Base	B		<u>\$ 20,241,177</u>		
	Net Operating Income					
	Effect of Division Adjustments on NOI					
			Pre-Tax Operating Income Amount	Net Operating Income Amount Sch C.1	Division GRCF Sch. A-1	
6	Depreciation Expense	C-1	\$ 53,231	\$ 42,053	1.287424	\$ (54,140)
7	Wages and Salaries Expense	C-2	\$ 48,247	\$ 38,115	1.287424	\$ (49,070)
8	Incentive Compensation Expense	C-3	\$ 35,337	\$ 27,916	1.287424	\$ (35,940)
9	Payroll Tax Expense	C-4	\$ 6,394	\$ 5,051	1.287424	\$ (6,503)
10	Property Tax Expense	C-5	\$ 11,082	\$ 8,755	1.287424	\$ (11,272)
11	Transportation & Vehicle Lease Expense	C-6	\$ 13,592	\$ 10,738	1.287424	\$ (13,824)
12	Management & Services Expense	C-7	\$ 64,736	\$ 51,141	1.287424	\$ (65,841)
13	Chemical Expense	C-8	\$ (1,113)	\$ (879)	1.287424	\$ 1,131
14	Power Expense	C-9	\$ 22,199	\$ 17,537	1.287424	\$ (22,578)
15	Interest Synchronization	C-10	\$ -	\$ (1,348)	1.287424	\$ 1,735
16	Federal Income Tax Expense	C-11	\$ -	\$ 65,263	1.287424	\$ (84,022)
17	Total Division Adjustments to Operating Income	C.1	<u>\$ 253,706</u>	<u>\$ 264,343</u>		
18	Net Operating Income per Company Filing	C		<u>\$ 810,371</u>		
19	Division Adjusted Net Operating Income	C		<u>\$ 1,074,714</u>		
	Gross Revenue Conversion Factor Difference:					
20	Per Division	A-1			1.287424	
21	Per Company	A-1			1.287424	
22	Difference				<u>0.000000</u>	
23	Company Adjusted NOI Deficiency	A			\$ 796,054	
24	GRCF Difference					\$ -
25	DIVISION REVENUE REQUIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS ABOVE					<u>\$ (589,557)</u>
26	Company Requested Base Rate Revenues	A				<u>\$ 1,024,859</u>
27	Reconciled Revenue Requirement					<u>\$ 435,302</u>
28	Revenue Requirement Calculated on Schedule A	A				<u>\$ 435,303</u>
29	Difference from Above					<u>\$ (1)</u>

Notes and Source

Pre-tax return computed using Gross Revenue Conversion Factor

Suez Water Rhode Island, Inc.
Gross Revenue Conversion Factor

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Line No.	Description	Company Proposed Amounts (A)	Division Proposed (B)	Difference (C) = (B) - (A)
1	Gross Revenue	1.000000	1.000000	-
	<u>Rate Applicable to O&M Expenses</u>			
2	PSC Assessment	0.43%	0.43%	-
3	Gross Receipts Tax	1.25%	1.25%	-
		1.68%	1.68%	-
4	Taxable Income	98.32%	98.32%	-
5	Federal Income Taxes	21% 20.65%	20.65%	-
6	Net of Tax	77.67%	77.67%	-
7	Gross Revenue Conversion Factor	1.287424	1.287424	-

Notes and Source

Col. A: Response to DPU 2-3

Components of Revenue Requirement Increase

	Percent (D)	Amount (E)
8	77.67%	\$ 338,119
9	0.43%	\$ 1,861
10	1.25%	\$ 5,441
11	20.65%	\$ 89,881
12	100.00%	\$ 435,303
13		\$ 435,303

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Line No.	Description	Company Proposed (A)	Division Adjustments (B)	Division Proposed (C)
1	Utility Plant in Service	\$ 36,073,465	\$ -	\$ 36,073,465
2	Accumulated Depreciation	\$ (8,362,574)	\$ -	\$ (8,362,574)
3	Net Utility Plant in Service	\$ 27,710,891	\$ -	\$ 27,710,891
4	Materials and Supplies	\$ 202,236	\$ -	\$ 202,236
5	Cash Working Capital (CWC)	\$ 307,171	\$ (213,959)	\$ 93,212
6	Def'd Tank Painting (net of Def'd Tax)	\$ 58,682	\$ -	\$ 58,682
7	Def'd Rate Case (net of Def'd Tax)	\$ 87,383	\$ (87,383)	\$ -
8	Total Additions to Rate Base	\$ 655,472	\$ (301,342)	\$ 354,130
9	CIAC	\$ (3,560,845)	\$ -	\$ (3,560,845)
10	Def'd Income Tax	\$ (1,866,387)	\$ -	\$ (1,866,387)
11	Regulatory Liability - Tax rate change	\$ (1,663,377)	\$ -	\$ (1,663,377)
12	Unamortized ITC	\$ (66,926)	\$ -	\$ (66,926)
13	Unfunded FAS 106 (net of Def'd Tax)	\$ (666,309)	\$ -	\$ (666,309)
14	Total Deductions from Rate Base	\$ (7,823,844)	\$ -	\$ (7,823,844)
15	Total Rate Base	\$ 20,542,519	\$ (301,342)	\$ 20,241,177

Notes and Source

Col.A: Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 1, page 1 of 5 from the Company's filing

Line No.	Description	Division Adjustments	Unamortized Rate Case Expense	Cash Working Capital
			B-1	B-2
1	Utility Plant in Service	\$ -		
2	Accumulated Depreciation	\$ -		
3	Net Utility Plant in Service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4	Materials and Supplies	\$ -		
5	Cash Working Capital (CWC)	\$ (213,959)		\$ (213,959)
6	Def'd Tank Painting (net of Def'd Tax)	\$ -		
7	Def'd Rate Case (net of Def'd Tax)	\$ (87,383)	\$ (87,383)	
8		\$ (301,342)	\$ (87,383)	\$ (213,959)
9	CIAC			
10	Def'd Income Tax	\$ -		
11	Regulatory Liability - Tax rate change	\$ -		
12	Unamortized ITC	\$ -		
13	Unfunded FAS 106 (net of Def'd Tax)	\$ -		
14		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
15	Total Rate Base	\$ (301,342)	\$ (87,383)	\$ (213,959)

Line No.	Description	Per Company (A)	Division Adjustments (B)	Division Proposed (C)	Division Revenue Requirement Change (D)	Revenue Requirement Impact (E)
1	Operating Revenues	\$ 4,813,887	\$ -	\$ 4,813,887	\$ 435,303	\$ 5,249,190
2	Operating Expenses:					
3	Operating and Maintenance Expenses	\$ 2,510,506	\$ (182,999)	\$ 2,327,507	\$ 1,861	\$ 2,329,368
4	Depreciation and Amortization	\$ 905,502	\$ (53,231)	\$ 852,271		\$ 852,271
5	Taxes Other Than Income	\$ 536,842	\$ (17,476)	\$ 519,366	\$ 5,441	\$ 524,807
6	Federal Income Taxes	\$ 50,666	\$ (10,637)	\$ 40,029	\$ 89,881	\$ 129,910
7	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 4,003,516	\$ (264,343)	\$ 3,739,173	\$ 97,184	\$ 3,836,356
7	Operating Income	\$ 810,371	\$ 264,343	\$ 1,074,714	\$ 338,119	\$ 1,412,834
8	Rate Base	\$ 20,542,519	\$ (301,342)	\$ 20,241,177		\$ 20,241,177
9	Earned Rate of Return	3.94%		5.31%		6.98%

Notes and Source

Col.A: Exhibit 1 (Gil), Schedule 1 from the Company's filing

Line No.	Description	Division Adjustments	Depreciation Expense	Wages and Salaries	Incentive Compensation Expense	Payroll Tax Expense	Property Tax Expense	Transportation & Vehicle Expense	Management & Services Expense	Chemical Expense	Power Expense
		C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-5	C-6	C-7	C-8	C-9	
1	Operating Revenues	\$ -									
2	Operating Expenses:	\$ (182,999)	\$ (48,247)	\$ (35,337)	\$ (6,394)	\$ (11,082)	\$ (13,592)	\$ (64,736)	\$ 1,113	\$ (22,199)	
3	Operating and Maintenance Expenses	\$ (53,231)	\$ (53,231)								
4	Depreciation and Amortization	\$ (17,476)	\$ (53,231)	\$ (35,337)	\$ (6,394)	\$ (11,082)	\$ (13,592)	\$ (64,736)	\$ 1,113	\$ (22,199)	
5	Taxes Other Than Income	\$ (253,706)	\$ (48,247)	\$ (35,337)	\$ (6,394)	\$ (11,082)	\$ (13,592)	\$ (64,736)	\$ 1,113	\$ (22,199)	
6	Pre-Tax Operating Expenses	\$ 253,706	\$ 48,247	\$ 35,337	\$ 6,394	\$ 11,082	\$ 13,592	\$ 64,736	\$ (1,113)	\$ 22,199	
7	Federal Income Taxes	\$ (10,637)	\$ 10,132	\$ 7,421	\$ 1,343	\$ 2,327	\$ 2,854	\$ 13,595	\$ (234)	\$ 4,662	
8	Total Operating Expenses	\$ (264,343)	\$ (42,053)	\$ (27,916)	\$ (5,051)	\$ (8,755)	\$ (10,738)	\$ (51,141)	\$ 879	\$ (17,537)	
9	Operating Income	\$ 264,343	\$ 38,115	\$ 27,916	\$ 5,051	\$ 8,755	\$ 10,738	\$ 51,141	\$ (879)	\$ 17,537	

Notes and Source
 Line 15: Federal Income Tax Rate 21.00%

Line No.	Description	Interest Synchronization C-10	Federal Income Tax Expense C-11
1	Operating Revenues		
Operating Expenses:			
2	Operating and Maintenance Expenses		
3	Depreciation and Amortization		
4	Taxes Other Than Income	-	-
5	Pre-Tax Operating Expenses	-	-
6	Pre-Tax Operating Income	-	-
7	Federal Income Taxes	1,348	(65,263)
8	Total Operating Expenses	1,348	(65,263)
9	Operating Income	(1,348)	65,263

Notes and Source

Line 15: Federal Income Tax Rate 21.00%

Suez Water Rhode Island, Inc.
Capital Structure and Cost Rates
Rate Year Ending September 30, 2019

Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Percent (B)	Cost Rate (C)	Weighted Cost (D)
Per Company					
1	Long Term Debt	\$ 943,645,843	45.81%	4.65%	2.13%
2	Common Equity	\$ 1,116,396,205	54.19%	10.50%	5.69%
3	Total Capital Structure	\$ 2,060,042,048	100.00%		7.82%
Per Division					
4	Long-Term Debt	\$ 943,645,843	45.57%	4.65%	2.12%
5	Short-Term Debt	\$ 10,847,000	0.52%	2.65%	0.01%
6	Common Equity	\$ 1,116,396,205	53.91%	9.00%	4.85%
7	Total Capital Structure	\$ 2,070,889,048	100.00%		6.98%
8	Difference				<u><u>-0.840%</u></u>
9	Weighted Cost of Debt				<u><u>2.13%</u></u>

Notes and Source

Lines 1-3: Exhibit HW-1, Schedule 1 from the Company's filing

Lines 4-7: Cost rates and Return on Equity as recommended by Division witness Matt Kahal

Suez Water Rhode Island, Inc. Exhibit RCS-2
Unamortized Rate Case Expense Schedule B-1
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Line No.	Description	Amount	Reference
1	Adjustment to Remove Unamortized Rate Case Expense	\$ <u><u>(87,383)</u></u>	A

Notes and Source

A: Amount from Exhibit, Schedule 1, page 1 from SWRI's filing

Line No.	Description	Reference	Expense Amount (A)	Cash Working Capital 12.5% (B)
1	Cash Working Capital Per Company	Exh. 4 (Gil), Sch. 1		\$ 307,171
2	Exclude Tank Painting Amortization	DPU 9-31	\$ (19,812)	\$ (2,477)
3	Wages and Salaries Expense	Sch. C-2	\$ (48,247)	\$ (6,031)
4	Incentive Compensation Expense	Sch. C-3	\$ (35,337)	\$ (4,417)
5	Payroll Tax Expense	Sch. C-4	\$ (6,394)	\$ (799)
6	Property Tax Expense	Sch. C-5	\$ (11,082)	\$ (1,385)
7	Transportation & Vehicle Lease Expense	Sch. C-6	\$ (13,592)	\$ (1,699)
8	Management & Services Expense	Sch. C-7	\$ (64,736)	\$ (8,092)
9	Chemical Expense	Sch. C-8	\$ 1,113	\$ 139
10	Power Expense	Sch. C-9	\$ (22,199)	\$ (2,775)
11	Adjustment to Cash Working Capital			<u>\$ (27,536)</u>
12	Adjusted Cash Working Capital Per Division			\$ 279,635
13	Adjustment to Remove 2/3 of CWC to Reflect Change from Quarterly to Monthly Billing			\$ (186,423)
14	Cash Working Capital Per Division			<u>\$ 93,212</u>
15	Total Adjustment to Cash Working Capital			<u>\$ (213,959)</u>

Notes and Source:

SWRI's cash working capital calculated using the 1/8th formula

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Line No.	Plant Account	Account Description	Per Company										Per Division			
			Depr Rate Actual (A)	Depr Rate Proposed (B)	Plant In Service 9/30/2017 (C)	Accum Deprac 9/30/2017 (D)	Plant In Service (E)	Accumulated Depreciation (F)	Depreciation Expense (G)	Derived Depreciation Rate (H) = G/E	Difference (I) = H - B	Depr Rate Recommendation (J)	Plant In Service (K)	Depreciation Expense (L) = J x K	Difference (M) = L - G	
																Rate Year Average 12m
1	301	Intangible Plant-Organizat			\$ 51,107	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,107	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-	8.63%	\$ 51,107	\$ -	\$ -
2	303	Intangible Plant-Miscellan			\$ 231,444	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 231,444	\$ -	\$ 8,094	8.63%	-	8.63%	\$ 93,794	\$ 8,094	\$ -
3	310	Source Of Supply-Land And			\$ 27,717	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27,717	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-	2.20%	\$ 27,717	\$ -	\$ -
4	311	Source Of Supply-Structures	2.00%	2.20%	\$ 105,260	\$ 23,707	\$ 26,970	\$ 105,260	\$ 26,970	\$ 2,316	2.20%	-	2.20%	\$ 105,260	\$ 2,316	\$ -
5	314	Source Of Supply-Well And	2.00%	3.98%	\$ 567,394	\$ 136,242	\$ 158,881	\$ 567,394	\$ 158,881	\$ 22,582	3.98%	-	3.98%	\$ 567,394	\$ 22,582	\$ -
6	316	Source Of Supply-Supply Ma	1.25%	2.87%	\$ 58,771	\$ 17,420	\$ 18,998	\$ 58,771	\$ 18,998	\$ 1,687	2.87%	-	2.87%	\$ 58,771	\$ 1,687	\$ -
7	317	Source Of Supply-Other Wat		1.94%	\$ 1,601	\$ (192)	\$ (177)	\$ 1,601	\$ (177)	\$ 31	1.94%	-	1.94%	\$ 1,601	\$ 31	\$ -
8	320	Pumping Plant-Structures An		2.20%	\$ 5,601	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,601	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-0.01%	2.20%	\$ 708,032	\$ -	\$ -
9	321	Pumping Plant-Structures An	4.00%	1.90%	\$ 679,636	\$ 194,569	\$ 197,474	\$ 679,636	\$ 197,474	\$ 15,530	2.19%	-0.01%	1.73%	\$ 1,600,025	\$ 27,680	\$ (2,656)
10	325	Pumping Plant-Electric Pum	4.00%	2.05%	\$ 1,611,761	\$ 1,191,318	\$ 1,123,831	\$ 1,611,761	\$ 1,123,831	\$ 30,337	1.90%	-	1.73%	\$ 1,600,025	\$ 27,680	\$ (2,656)
11	328	Pumping Plant-Other Pumpin	4.00%	2.05%	\$ 108,877	\$ 64,900	\$ 62,661	\$ 108,877	\$ 62,661	\$ 2,081	2.05%	-	2.05%	\$ 101,513	\$ 2,081	\$ -
12	331	Water Treat Plant-Structure	2.00%	2.30%	\$ 18,475	\$ 11,652	\$ 9,437	\$ 18,475	\$ 9,437	\$ 217	2.30%	-	2.30%	\$ 9,437	\$ 217	\$ -
13	332	Water Treat Plant-Water Tr	5.00%	2.08%	\$ 543,625	\$ 370,469	\$ 340,028	\$ 543,625	\$ 340,028	\$ 10,227	2.08%	-	2.08%	\$ 492,038	\$ 10,227	\$ -
14	340	T&D Plant-Land And Land Ri			\$ 1,862	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,862	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	-		\$ 1,862	\$ -	\$ -
15	341	T&D Plant-Structures And In	3.00%	1.66%	\$ 139,985	\$ 43,648	\$ 49,009	\$ 139,985	\$ 49,009	\$ 2,324	1.66%	-	1.66%	\$ 139,985	\$ 2,324	\$ -
16	342	T&D Plant-Structures And In	1.33%	2.93%	\$ 4,323,023	\$ 294,599	\$ 394,559	\$ 4,323,023	\$ 394,559	\$ 221,084	2.93%	-	2.93%	\$ 7,545,523	\$ 221,084	\$ -
17	343	T&D Plant-Transmission And	1.25%	1.29%	\$ 12,986,532	\$ 3,416,833	\$ 3,403,519	\$ 12,986,532	\$ 3,403,519	\$ 173,878	1.28%	-0.01%	1.23%	\$ 13,577,008	\$ 166,997	\$ (6,880)
18	345	T&D Plant-Services	2.00%	1.76%	\$ 4,019,094	\$ 1,273,515	\$ 1,385,386	\$ 4,019,094	\$ 1,385,386	\$ 75,235	1.76%	-	1.76%	\$ 4,281,555	\$ 75,235	\$ -
19	346	T&D Plant-Meters	3.00%	2.56%	\$ 3,017,840	\$ 932,659	\$ 1,030,909	\$ 3,017,840	\$ 1,030,909	\$ 89,036	2.55%	-0.01%	2.56%	\$ 3,493,702	\$ 89,036	\$ -
20	348	T&D Plant-Hydrants	2.00%	1.73%	\$ 1,094,287	\$ 435,787	\$ 465,906	\$ 1,094,287	\$ 465,906	\$ 19,561	1.73%	-	1.73%	\$ 1,131,653	\$ 19,561	\$ -
21	390	General Plant-Structures An	5.00%	1.45%	\$ 237,438	\$ 99,197	\$ 66,280	\$ 237,438	\$ 66,280	\$ 2,802	1.45%	-	1.45%	\$ 193,272	\$ 2,802	\$ -
22	390L	General Plant-Leasehold improvements	12.50%	12.50%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,875	\$ -	\$ 31,875	\$ 26,250	12.50%	-	12.50%	\$ 210,000	\$ 26,250	\$ -
23	391	General Plant-Office Furni	10.00%	12.58%	\$ 62,632	\$ (138,061)	\$ (170,895)	\$ 62,632	\$ (170,895)	\$ 7,614	12.46%	-0.12%	12.58%	\$ 61,084	\$ 7,614	\$ -
24	391H	General Plant-Computer Hardware	20.02%	20.02%	\$ 103,713	\$ 48,180	\$ 68,933	\$ 103,713	\$ 68,933	\$ 20,763	20.02%	-	20.02%	\$ 103,713	\$ 20,763	\$ -
25	391S	General Plant-Computer Software	10.00%	25.66%	\$ 304,063	\$ 12,553	\$ 96,937	\$ 304,063	\$ 96,937	\$ 106,676	25.52%	-0.14%	25.66%	\$ 417,991	\$ 106,676	\$ -
26	391CB	General Plant-Computer Soft Lighthouse	12.50%	12.50%	\$ 552,856	\$ 407,511	\$ 511,171	\$ 552,856	\$ 511,171	\$ 69,107	12.50%	-	12.50%	\$ 552,856	\$ 69,107	\$ -
27	392	General Plant-Transportati	2.50%	12.87%	\$ 3,451	\$ 525	\$ 833	\$ 3,451	\$ 833	\$ 444	12.87%	-	12.87%	\$ 3,451	\$ 444	\$ -
28	394	General Plant-Tools, Shop	10.00%	2.33%	\$ 89,648	\$ 67,167	\$ 59,878	\$ 89,648	\$ 59,878	\$ 2,017	2.32%	-0.01%	2.33%	\$ 86,792	\$ 2,017	\$ -
29	396	General Plant-Power Operat	10.00%	4.33%	\$ 15,685	\$ 12,287	\$ 14,195	\$ 15,685	\$ 14,195	\$ 679	4.33%	-	4.33%	\$ 15,685	\$ 679	\$ -
30	397	General Plant-Communicatio	5.00%	10.05%	\$ 330,683	\$ 81,104	\$ 114,954	\$ 330,683	\$ 114,954	\$ 35,566	10.01%	-0.04%	10.05%	\$ 355,365	\$ 35,566	\$ -
31	398	General Plant-Miscellaneou	2.00%	5.80%	\$ 79,677	\$ 18,076	\$ 21,980	\$ 79,677	\$ 21,980	\$ 4,621	5.80%	-	5.80%	\$ 79,677	\$ 4,621	\$ -
32		Accumulated Amortization of CIAC			\$ (915,177)	\$ -	\$ (980,847)	\$ (915,177)	\$ (980,847)	\$ (45,258)				\$ -	\$ (45,258)	\$ -
33		Total			\$ 31,373,738	\$ 8,100,486	\$ 8,362,574	\$ 31,373,738	\$ 8,362,574	\$ 905,502				\$ 36,073,465	\$ 895,965	\$ (9,537)
34		Adjustment to Plant Account 391CB - see page 2														\$ (43,694)
35		Total Division Adjustment to Depreciation Expense														\$ (53,231)

Notes and Source:
Columns A-G: Exhibit 4, Schedule 3 from the Company's filing
Column J: Division witness Roxie McCullar

Calculated composite depreciation rate
Annual Depreciation / Plant

2.51%

2.48%

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Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Remaining Net Book Value at 9/30/2018 (Beginning of Rate Year)	\$ 76,239	A
2	Amortization Period (Years)	3	
3	Amortization Expense	\$ 25,413	
4	Depreciation Expense Per Company (Plant Account 391CB)	\$ 69,107	B
5	Division Adjustment to Depreciation Expense	\$ (43,694)	

Notes and Source

A: Amount from column E, line 18 below, using data from Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 3, Plant Account 391CB

Date	CIS Plant Amount (B)	Accumulated Depreciation (C)	Depreciation Expense (D)	Net Plant In Service (E)
6 9/30/2017	\$ 552,856	\$ (407,511)		\$ 145,345
7 10/31/2017	\$ 552,856	\$ (413,269)	\$ 5,758	\$ 139,587
8 11/30/2017	\$ 552,856	\$ (419,028)	\$ 5,759	\$ 133,828
9 12/31/2017	\$ 552,856	\$ (424,787)	\$ 5,759	\$ 128,069
10 1/31/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (430,546)	\$ 5,759	\$ 122,310
11 2/28/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (436,305)	\$ 5,759	\$ 116,551
12 3/31/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (442,064)	\$ 5,759	\$ 110,792
13 4/30/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (447,823)	\$ 5,759	\$ 105,033
14 5/31/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (453,582)	\$ 5,759	\$ 99,274
15 6/30/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (459,341)	\$ 5,759	\$ 93,515
16 7/31/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (465,100)	\$ 5,759	\$ 87,756
17 8/31/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (470,859)	\$ 5,759	\$ 81,997
18 9/30/2018	\$ 552,856	\$ (476,617)	\$ 5,759	\$ 76,239

B: Page 1, Column L, Line 26

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Line No.	Description	Per Company (A)	Per Division (B)	Division Adjustment (C)
1	Rate Year Payroll Expense Per Company	\$ 837,587	\$ 791,158	\$ (46,429)
2	Capitalization Percentage	23.03%	24.42%	
3	Less: Capitalized Payroll Expense	\$ (192,879)	\$ (193,205)	\$ (325)
4	Labor Transferred In	\$ 10,023	\$ 8,531	\$ (1,492)
5	Total Rate Year O&M Payroll Expense	\$ 654,731	\$ 606,484	\$ (48,247)

Notes and Source

Col. A: Amounts from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 2A from SWRI's filing

Col. B: Division recommended Rate Year payroll expense calculated below (see page 2, line 6 for capitalization percentage):

Job Title	FLSA (D)	Projected 2019 Base Salary (E)	Incentive Compensation Target % (F)	Incentive Compensation (G)	Overtime* (H)	Total Rate Year Payroll Expense (I)
6 Mgr Rhode Island	Exempt	\$ 118,294	15%	\$ 17,744	\$ -	\$ 136,038
7 Foreman	Exempt	\$ 72,260	10%	\$ 7,226	\$ -	\$ 79,486
8 Supv Customer Contact&Billing	Exempt	\$ 74,263	10%	\$ 7,426	\$ -	\$ 81,689
9 Superintendent	Exempt	\$ 98,536	5%	\$ 4,927	\$ -	\$ 103,463
10 Chief Operator	Non-exempt	\$ 69,179	3%	\$ 2,075	\$ 11,999	\$ 83,254
11 Meter Reader	Non-exempt	\$ 54,394	3%	\$ 1,632	\$ 9,435	\$ 65,461
12 Sr Cust Serv Rep	Non-exempt	\$ 54,019	3%	\$ 1,621	\$ 9,370	\$ 65,010
13 Sr Cust Serv Rep	Non-exempt	\$ 51,107	3%	\$ 1,533	\$ 8,864	\$ 61,504
14 Service Person	Non-exempt	\$ 50,290	3%	\$ 1,509	\$ 8,723	\$ 60,522
15 Service Person	Non-exempt	\$ 45,480	3%	\$ 1,364	\$ 7,888	\$ 54,732
16 Customer service/data entry tech	Non-exempt	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
17 Total Payroll Expense		\$ 687,822		\$ 47,057	\$ 56,279	\$ 791,158

Description	Amount	Reference
18 Total Rate Year Payroll Expense Per SWRI	\$ 791,158	Line 17
19 Labor Transferred In Percentage (page 2)	1.08%	Page 2, Line 8
20 Labor Transferred In Per Division	\$ 8,531	L18 x L19

* Rate Year Overtime

	Year	Hours	Overtime	Hourly Rate
21	2015	1,450	\$ 54,323	\$ 37.46
22	2016	1,426	\$ 51,907	\$ 36.40
23	9/30/2017	1,460	\$ 53,580	\$ 36.71
24	3-Year Hours Average x Test Year Hourly Rate	1,445	\$ 53,048	
25	Overtime with Compound Salary Increase of 6.09%		\$ 56,279	

Job Title	Projected 2019 Base Salary Reflecting 3% Increase	Overtime Allocation as a Percentage of Base Pay	Rate Year Overtime with 3% Increase
26 Chief Operator	\$ 69,179	21.32%	\$ 11,999
27 Meter Reader	\$ 54,394	16.76%	\$ 9,435
28 Sr Cust Serv Rep	\$ 54,019	16.65%	\$ 9,370
29 Sr Cust Serv Rep	\$ 51,107	15.75%	\$ 8,864
30 Service Person	\$ 50,290	15.50%	\$ 8,723
31 Service Person	\$ 45,480	14.02%	\$ 7,888
32 Customer service/data entry tech	\$ -		\$ -
33 Total	\$ 324,469	100.00%	\$ 56,279

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Line No.	Description	Test Year Ended			3-Year Average
		2015 (A)	2016 (B)	9/30/2017 (C)	
1	Gross Payroll Expense	\$ 684,882	\$ 707,293	\$ 682,794	\$ 691,656
2	Less: Capitalized Portion	\$ (163,142)	\$ (164,632)	\$ (178,651)	\$ (168,808)
3	Net Payroll Expense	\$ 521,741	\$ 542,661	\$ 504,143	\$ 522,848
4	Expense Rate	<u>76.18%</u>	<u>76.72%</u>	<u>73.84%</u>	<u>75.58%</u>
5	Capitalized	<u>\$ (163,142)</u>	<u>\$ (164,632)</u>	<u>\$ (178,651)</u>	<u>\$ (126,606)</u>
6	Capitalized Rate	<u>23.82%</u>	<u>23.28%</u>	<u>26.16%</u>	<u>24.42%</u>
7	Transferred in	\$ 8,414	\$ 6,341	\$ 7,578	\$ 7,444
8	Transferred in Rate	<u>1.23%</u>	<u>0.90%</u>	<u>1.11%</u>	<u>1.08%</u>

Notes and Source

Amounts above from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 2B from SWRI's filing

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Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Adjustment to Incentive Compensation Expense	\$ (35,337)	A

Notes and Source

A: Division recommended adjustment to incentive compensation calculated below using data from the response to DPU 3-3:

Description	Account	O&M Short-Term Incentive Plan Amount		O&M Long-Term Incentive Plan Amount		Division Adjustment (D)
		(B)	(C)	(B)	(C)	
2 Supv Lbr-T&D Maint Sup & Eng	50100670	\$ 5,700				
3 Supv Lbr-A&G Ops Salaries	50100920	\$ 23,476				
4 Corporate Shared Services Fees	90850923	\$ 32,304	\$ 10,745			
5 Total		\$ 61,480	\$ 10,745			\$ -
6 Division Recommended Disallowance Percentage		40.00%	100.00%			
7 Amount of Disallowed Incentive Compensation Expense		\$ (24,592)	\$ (10,745)			\$ (35,337)

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Line No.	Description	Reference	Payroll Related Adjustment (A)	FICA Tax* 6.20% (B)	Medicare Tax 1.45% (C)	Payroll Tax Expense Adjustment (D)
1	Division Adjustment to Wages and Salaries Expense	A	\$ (48,247)	\$ (2,991)	\$ (700)	\$ (3,691)
2	Division Adjustment to Incentive Compensation Expense	B	\$ (35,337)	\$ (2,191)	\$ (512)	\$ (2,703)
3	Total of Division Adjustments Listed Above		\$ (83,584)	\$ (5,182)	\$ (1,212)	\$ (6,394)

Notes and Source

- A: See Schedule C-2
- B: See Schedule C-3

* The maximum amount of wages in 2018 subject to the 6.20% Social Security tax is \$128,400. To the extent that the salaries of certain individuals included in the adjustments listed are above the threshold of \$128,400, it will be necessary to modify this adjustment to Payroll Tax expense.

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Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Rate Year Property Tax Expense per Division	\$ 398,640	A
2	Rate Year Property Tax Expense per SWRI	\$ 409,722	B
3	Adjustment to Property Tax Expense	\$ (11,082)	

Notes and Source:

A: Amount from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 18 from SWRI's filing

B: Using the data from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 18, Division recommendation based on using a 3-year average which is calculated below:

Description	Amount (B)	Change (C)	Percentage Change (D)
4 2014 Actual Property Tax Expense	\$ 322,959		
5 2015 Actual Property Tax Expense	\$ 334,442	\$ 11,483	3.56%
6 2016 Actual Property Tax Expense	\$ 343,043	\$ 8,601	2.57%
7 2017 Actual Property Tax Expense	\$ 366,378	\$ 23,335	6.80%
8 3 Year Average Increase in Property Tax Expense			<u>4.31%</u>
9 2018 Projected Property Tax Expense	\$ 382,168		
10 2019 Projected Property Tax Expense	\$ 398,640		

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Line No.	Description	Rate Year Amount Per Company (A)	Rate Year Amount Per Division (B)	Division Adjustment (C)	Division Rate Year Amount Reference
1	Leases	\$ 34,362	\$ 26,981	\$ (7,381)	Page 2
2	Fuel	\$ 20,569	\$ 17,785	\$ (2,784)	Line 16
3	Maintenance & Repair	\$ 11,313	\$ 6,480	\$ (4,834)	Line 22
4	Insurance	\$ 6,291	\$ 5,368	\$ (922)	Line 28
5	Depreciation	\$ 1,643	\$ 1,643	\$ -	
6	Other - Registration, Plates, Tolls, Mileage, Etc.	\$ 5,811	\$ 5,222	\$ (589)	Line 34
7	Total Costs	\$ 79,989	\$ 63,479	\$ (16,510)	
8	Capitalization Percentage	23.03%	24.42%		Sch. C-2
9	Less: Capitalized Portion	\$ (18,420)	\$ (15,502)	\$ 2,918	
10	Net Transportation & Vehicles Expense	\$ 61,569	\$ 47,977	\$ (13,592)	

Notes and Source:

Amounts below from Exhibit 2 (Arp) Schedule 10A from SWRI's filing

	Description	Rate Year Per Division
	Fuel	
11	2015 Fuel Costs	\$ 17,337
12	2016 Fuel Costs	\$ 17,732
13	Test Year Ended 9/30/2017 Fuel Costs	\$ 15,403
14	3 Year Average Fuel Costs	\$ 16,824
15	Inflation Rate	5.714%
16	Inflation Adjusted 3 Year Average Fuel Costs	\$ 17,785
	Maintenance & Repair	
17	2014 Maintenance & Repair Expense	\$ 3,753
18	2015 Maintenance & Repair Expense	\$ 5,522
19	2016 Maintenance & Repair Expense	\$ 9,113
20	3-Year Average Maintenance & Repair Expense	\$ 6,129
21	Inflation Rate	5.714%
22	Inflation Adjusted Maintenance & Repair Expense	\$ 6,480
	Insurance	
23	2014 Insurance Expense	\$ 4,907
24	2015 Insurance Expense	\$ 6,055
25	2016 Insurance Expense	\$ 4,273
26	3-Year Average Insurance Expense	\$ 5,078
27	Inflation Rate	5.714%
28	Inflation Adjusted Insurance Expense	\$ 5,368
	Other Miscellaneous	
29	2014 Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 4,770
30	2015 Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 5,882
31	2016 Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 4,167
32	3-Year Average Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 4,940
33	Inflation Rate	5.714%
34	Inflation Adjusted Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 5,222

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Line No.	Vehicle (A)	Lease Number (B)	Lease Start Date (C)	Lease End Date (D)	Rate Year Monthly Lease Amount (E)	Rate Year Annual Lease Amount (F)	
Per SWRI							
1	002	1430	9/1/2011	8/30/2017	\$ 13	\$ 156	
2	026	110105	11/1/2011	10/31/2017	\$ 13	\$ 156	
3	027	110196	9/1/2012	8/31/2018	\$ 750	\$ 9,000	
4	024	110197	9/1/2012	8/31/2018	\$ 520	\$ 6,240	
5	JACOBS	110364	5/1/2014	4/30/2020	\$ 465	\$ 5,574	
6	JACOBS	110527	4/1/2016	3/31/2022	\$ 512	\$ 6,146	
7	JACOBS	86251	5/1/2014	4/30/2020	\$ 591	\$ 7,090	
8	Total Annual Costs						<u>\$ 34,362</u>
Per Division							
9	002	1430	9/1/2011	8/30/2017	\$ -	\$ -	
10	026	110105	11/1/2011	10/31/2017	\$ -	\$ -	
11	027	110196	9/1/2012	8/31/2018	\$ 386	\$ 4,628	
12	024	110197	9/1/2012	8/31/2018	\$ 295	\$ 3,543	
13	JACOBS	110364	5/1/2014	4/30/2020	\$ 465	\$ 5,574	
14	JACOBS	110527	4/1/2016	3/31/2022	\$ 512	\$ 6,146	
15	JACOBS	86251	5/1/2014	4/30/2020	\$ 591	\$ 7,090	
16	Total Annual Costs						<u>\$ 26,981</u>
17	Division Adjustment to Vehicle Lease Expense						<u>\$ (7,381)</u>

Notes and Source

Amounts above from Exhibit 2 (Arp) Schedule 10B from SWRI's filing

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Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Rate Year Management & Services Expense Per Company	\$ 509,952	A
2	Rate Year Management & Services Expense Per Division	\$ 445,215	B
3	Adjustment to Management & Services Expense	<u>\$ (64,736)</u>	L2 - L1

Notes and Source:

A: Amount from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 14A from SWRI's filing

B: Division recommended Rate Year level of Management & Services Expense calculated below using data from Exhibit 3 (Arp) Schedule 14A (except where noted)

Description	2015 (B)	2016 (C)	2017* (D)	3-Year Average (D)
4 Management & Services Expense	\$ 410,381	\$ 463,490	\$ 461,774	\$ 445,215

* Calendar year 2017 amount from the response to DPU 9-37

Suez Water Rhode Island, Inc.
Chemical Expense

Rate Year Ending September 30, 2019

Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Rate Year Chemical Expense Per SWRI	\$ 45,171	A
2	Rate Year Chemical Expense Per Division	\$ 46,283	B
3	Adjustment to Chemical Expense	\$ 1,113	L2 - L1

Notes and Source

A: Amount from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 5 from SWRI's filing

B: Division recommended Rate Year Chemical Expense calculated below using data from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 5A:

Description	UOM	Usage	Projected Water Production (MG) [a]	Average Usage Per MG [b]	Chemical Unit Price	Total Cost
4 Lime	lbs	105,373	931	113.12	\$ 0.1916	\$ 20,192
5 Sodium Hypochloride	gals	9,831	931	10.55	\$ 1.5310	\$ 15,051
6 Zinc Orthophosphate (Klenphos K-10)	lbs	18,625	931	20.00	\$ 0.5928	\$ 11,040
7 Total						\$ 46,283

[a] Calculation of Projected Water Production (MG)

Description (MG)	Amount
8 Billed Consumption (MG)	912
9 Non-revenue water %	2.06%
10 Total Production Subject to Chemical Treatment (MG)	931

Reference
Exh. 2 (Gil), Sch. 2
Line 14
L9 x L10

Date	Non-Water Rev%
2015	3.99%
2016	1.76%
9/30/2017	0.44%
3-Year Avg.	2.06%

[b] Calculation of Average Usage Per MG

Description	Lime	Sodium Hypochloride	Zinc Orthophosphate (Klenphos K-10)
15 Year Ended 12/31/2015	104.55	9.04	16.13
16 Year Ended 12/31/2016	114.58	10.84	21.08
17 Test Year Ended 9/30/2017	120.25	11.78	22.79
18 3-Year Average of Usage Per MG	113.12	10.55	20.00

Suez Water Rhode Island, Inc.
Power Expense

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Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Rate Year Power Expense Per SWRI	\$ 363,086	A
2	Rate Year Power Expense Per Division	\$ 340,887	B
3	Adjustment to Power Expense	<u>\$ (22,199)</u>	L2 - L1

Notes and Source

A: Amount from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 4 from SWRI's filing

B: Division recommended Rate Year Power Expense calculated below using data from Exhibit 3 (Arp), Schedule 4A:

Description	kWh	Projected Water Production (MG) [a]	kWh 3 Yr. Avg. Usage [b]	kWh Avg. Cost	Total Cost
4 Commodity (Engie Resources, LLC)	1,630,963	931	1,751	\$ 0.0850	\$ 138,632
5 Distribution (National Grid)	1,630,963	931	1,751	\$ 0.1067	\$ 174,024
6 Total Rate Year - Account 50610					\$ 312,656
7 Other Utilities - Power Account 50620					\$ 28,231 Line 24
8 Total Rate Year Power Expense Per Division					<u>\$ 340,887</u>

[a] Calculation of Projected Water Production (MG)

	Amount	Reference
9 Billed Consumption (MG)	912	Exh. 2 (Gil), Sch. 2
10 Non-revenue water %	2.06%	Line 15
11 Total Production Subject to Chemical Treatment (MG)	<u>931</u>	L9 x L10

	Date	Non-Water Rev%
12	2015	3.99%
13	2016	1.76%
14	9/30/2017	0.44%
15	3-Year Avg.	<u>2.06%</u>

[b] Calculation of kWh Average Usage

	Date	Amount
16 Commodity & Distribution	12/31/2015	1,747
17 Commodity & Distribution	12/31/2016	1,810
18 Commodity & Distribution	9/30/2017	1,696
19	3-Year Avg.	<u>1,751</u>

Calculation of Other Utilities Power

	Date	Amount
20	2015	\$ 31,106
21	2016	\$ 18,623
22	9/30/2017	\$ 30,386
23	3-Year Avg.	<u>\$ 26,705</u>
24	Inflation Factor 5.714%	<u>\$ 28,231</u>

Rate Year Ending September 30, 2019

Line No.	Description	Amount (A)	Reference
1	Adjusted Rate Base, per Division	\$ 20,241,177	Schedule B
2	Weighted Cost of Debt, per Division	<u>2.13%</u>	Per Division - Schedule D
3	Going-Level Interest Deduction for Tax Purposes	\$ 431,137	L1 x L2
4	Interest Deduction per Company	<u>\$ 437,556</u>	Note A
5	Decrease in Deductible Interest	\$ (6,419)	L3 - L4
6	Federal Income Tax Rate	<u>21.00%</u>	
7	Increase to Federal Income Tax Expense	<u>\$ 1,348</u>	L8 x L9

Notes and Source:

A: Amount from Exhibit 4 (Gil), Schedule 21 from SWRI's filing

SUEZ Water Rhode Island, Inc.
Federal Income Tax Expense
To reflect Federal Income expense based upon Rate Year changes in taxable income at present and proposed rates

Rate Year Ending September 30, 2019

Line No.	Description	Rate Year Per Company		Rate Year Per Division	
		Present Rates (A)	Proposed Rates (B)	Present Rates (D)	Proposed Rates (E)
1	Revenues	\$ 4,813,887	\$ 5,838,744	\$ 4,813,887	\$ 5,249,190
2	Operating Expenses:				
3	Operation and Maintenance	\$ 2,510,506	\$ 2,514,887	\$ 2,327,507	\$ 2,329,368
4	Depreciation and Amortization	\$ 905,502	\$ 905,502	\$ 852,271	\$ 852,271
5	Taxes other than income	\$ 536,842	\$ 549,653	\$ 519,366	\$ 524,807
6	Operating Expenses Before Income Taxes	\$ 3,952,850	\$ 3,970,042	\$ 3,699,144	\$ 3,706,446
7	Operating Income Before Income Taxes	\$ 861,037	\$ 1,868,701	\$ 1,114,743	\$ 1,542,744
8	Interest Expense	\$ 437,556 [a]	\$ 437,556 [a]	\$ 431,137	\$ 431,137
9	Federal Taxable Income	\$ 423,481	\$ 1,431,146	\$ 683,606	\$ 1,111,607
10	Federal Income Tax Rate	21%	21%	21%	21%
11	Federal Income Tax	\$ 88,931	\$ 300,541	\$ 143,557	\$ 233,437
12	Amortization of Reg Liability TCJA [b]	\$ (33,604)	\$ (33,604)	\$ (98,867)	\$ (98,867)
13	Amortization of ITC	\$ (4,662)	\$ (4,662)	\$ (4,662)	\$ (4,662)
14	Total Federal Income tax	\$ 50,666	\$ 262,275	\$ 40,028	\$ 129,908
Notes and Source					
Cols. A&B: Amounts from Exhibit 3 (GII), Schedule 21					
15	[a] Interest Expense	\$ 20,542,518	\$ 20,542,518	\$ 20,241,177	\$ 20,241,177
16	Rate Base	2.13%	2.13%	2.13%	2.13%
17	Weighted Cost of Debt	\$ 437,556	\$ 437,556	\$ 431,137	\$ 431,137
18	Interest Expense				
[b] TCJA Regulatory Liability and Amortization					
		Per Company		Per Division	
		Regulatory Liability Amount (A)	Amortization Period in Years (B)	Regulatory Liability Amount (D)	Amortization Period in Years (E)
19	"Protected" Excess ADIT	\$ (1,601,632)	50	\$ (1,546,589)	50
20	"Unprotected" Excess ADIT	\$ 51,092	50	\$ (3,951)	3
21	Subtotal Excess ADIT	\$ (1,550,539)		\$ (1,550,539)	
22	2018 Federal Income Tax Savings Through 9/30/2018	\$ (129,640)	50	\$ (199,855)	3
23	Total	\$ (1,680,180)		\$ (1,750,395)	
				Annual Amortization (F)	Division Adjustment (G)=F-C
				\$ (32,033)	\$ (30,932)
				\$ 1,022	\$ (1,317)
				\$ (31,011)	\$ (32,249)
				\$ (2,593)	\$ (66,618)
				\$ (33,604)	\$ (98,867)
					\$ (65,263)

[c] The Company's proposed 50-year amortization is currently being used as a placeholder, and should be updated to reflect more accurate information.

SUEZ Water Rhode Island, Inc.
 Federal Income Tax Savings in 2018 from Reduction in Federal Income Tax
 Rate from 35 Percent to 21 Percent

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Line No.	Description	Regulatory Liability Per Company			Cumulative Regulatory Liability (D)	Amortization of Estimated 9/30/2018 Balance at Rate Effective Date (E)		Cumulative Federal Income Tax Savings (F)	Amortization of Estimated 9/30/2018 Balance at Rate Effective Date (G)
		Federal Income Tax Savings (A)	Gross-Up (B)	Regulatory Liability (C)=A+B		Estimated 9/30/2018 Balance at Rate Effective Date (E)	Cumulative Federal Income Tax Savings (F)		
1	January Through April 30, 2018	\$ 36,494	\$ 9,701	\$ 46,195	\$ 46,195		\$ 36,494		
2	May 31, 2018	\$ 16,480	\$ 4,381	\$ 20,861	\$ 67,056		\$ 52,974		
3	June 30, 2018	\$ 29,968	\$ 7,966	\$ 37,934	\$ 104,990		\$ 82,942		
4	July 31, 2018	\$ 40,061	\$ 10,649	\$ 50,711	\$ 155,701		\$ 123,003		
5	August 31, 2018	\$ 44,935	\$ 11,945	\$ 56,880	\$ 212,581		\$ 167,938		
6	September 30, 2018	\$ 31,917	\$ 8,484	\$ 40,402	\$ 252,983	\$ (84,328)	\$ 199,855	\$ (66,618)	
7	October 31, 2018	\$ 11,174	\$ 2,970	\$ 14,144	\$ 267,127		\$ 211,029		
8	November 30, 2018	\$ 7,890	\$ 2,097	\$ 9,988	\$ 277,115		\$ 218,919		
9	December 31, 2018	\$ 9,860	\$ 2,621	\$ 12,481	\$ 289,596		\$ 228,779		
10	Totals	\$ 228,779	\$ 60,814	\$ 289,596					

Notes and Source

Line 1: Company's response to DPU 9-7 Attachment

Lines 2-9: Company's response to DPU 9-8 Attachment

Line 6, Col. E: Illustration shows amortization of cumulative September 30, 2018 balance over three years, based on an estimated effective date for new rates set in this case of October 1, 2018. The three-year period used for this amortization corresponds with the Company's proposed three-year amortization period for rate case expense.

Col. F: Cumulative federal income tax savings from Column A

