

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN RE: PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT :  
2021 COST OF SERVICE STUDY : DOCKET NO. 5134**

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION'S SIXTH SET OF DATA REQUESTS  
DIRECTED TO PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT**

**Issued November 1, 2021  
A response is requested as soon as possible**

COMM 6-1 Pascoag's annual funding request for capital of \$306,200 is based on a 5-year average of 2021 through 2025. Given that 2021 is largely complete, would it be reasonable to base capital funding on a 4-year average of upcoming years 2022 through 2025?

**Response:**

I do not think it would be reasonable to adjust the capital funding on a 4-year average. Adjusting for the remaining four years would increase the annual funding. Pascoag each year reviews its capital funding and does a five-year capital budget. Pascoag believes the requested annual funding is sufficient and will budget the 5<sup>th</sup> year after 2022 through 2025 to maintain the requested funding.

Witness responsible: David G. Bebyn, CPA

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COMM 6-2 It appears from the response to COMM 4-1b. that Pascoag is no longer seeking funding for the Arborist and Utility Worker positions. As a follow up to Comm 4-1b. and 3-1b., please confirm that Pascoag is requesting funding for 16 employees in the Rate Year . Also please provide a schedule listing each employee position and salary currently being requested in the Rate Year.

**Response:**

Pascoag confirms that Pascoag is requesting funding for 16 employees in the Rate Year. The savings from the Arborist and Utility Worker positions will fund tree work performed by outside contractors. Regarding the listing of employee positions: Please see the Attachment to COMM 6-2.

Witness Responsible: David G. Bebyn, CPA

**RATE YEAR COMPENSATION  
PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT**

**Attachment to COMM 6-2**

PUD Originally filed			PUD Originally filed		
Employee Position	Count	Rate Year Compensation	Count	Rate Year Compensation	
<i>Administration and Customer Service</i>					
GM-CEO	1	\$ 151,082	1	\$ 151,082	
AGM-OPS	1	115,996	1	115,996	
MANAGER Fin & CS	1	103,306	1	103,306	
SUPERVISOR Admin.	1	84,942	1	84,942	
HR COORDINATOR	1	67,935	1	67,935	
Project Coordinator	1	53,045	1	53,045	
CSR#1	1	52,034	1	52,034	
CSR#2	1	48,289	1	48,289	
CSR#3	1	48,289	1	48,289	
<i>Operations</i>					
Foreman	1	97,987	1	97,987	
Lineman 1st class A	1	93,053	1	93,053	
Lineman 1st class A (a)	1	90,942	1	90,942	
Lineman 1st class A	1	90,942	1	90,942	
Lineman 1st class A	1	90,942	1	90,942	
Lineman 1st class B	1	78,214	1	78,214	
Arborist (b)	1	60,330			*
System Tech (e)	1	55,419	1	55,419	
Utility Worker (f)	1	35,466			*
	<u>18</u>		<u>16</u>		

\* as indicated in the response to COMM 4-1b these positions will be outsourced by private contractors to replace the tree work covered by the former employees.

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COMM 6-3 Has Pascoag been the recipient of any PPP (Paycheck Protection Program) funds?  
If yes, were these funds reflected anywhere in Pascoag's rate filing?

**Response:**

Yes. Pascoag received PPP funds before June 2020, which is in the Test Year. The funds were not recorded as revenue because before June 2020; the funds were considered a loan. The PPP Loan forgiveness was filed for during the interim year and received forgiveness during February 2021, which is also part of the interim year. Please note that this revenue would have been adjusted as a non-reoccurring normalization adjustment if the funds were considered a revenue source for the Test Year.

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