

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**RE: SB 2015-06, INVENERGY THERMAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC APPLICATION TO  
CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE THE CLEAR RIVER ENERGY CENTER,  
BURRILLVILLE, RHODE ISLAND**

**Pre-filed testimony of Ralph Gentile and Marc Vatter**

**Executive Summary**

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2 The Construction Labor Market Analyzer (CLMA) is a labor market consulting group that, among other  
3 things, analyzes the demand for the skilled construction trades based on projects in the construction  
4 queue; that is, projects under construction or planned for construction during future years. Our focus is  
5 primarily on employment impacts, especially those in the building trades. We used CLMA data for a  
6 standard 1,000 megawatt combined cycle power plant, modified to reflect recent changes to the timetable  
7 for the Clear River Energy Center (CREC), to examine its direct job impacts. We did some brief work  
8 using the National Renewable Energy Laboratory’s Jobs and Economic Development Impact Model  
9 (JEDI), used by Ryan Hardy of PA Consulting and Edinaldo Tebaldi of Bryant University in their  
10 testimony for Invenergy Thermal Development LLC (“Invenergy”), to verify the reasonableness of  
11 the relationship among different types of effects on output and value added. In addition, we performed an  
12 independent analysis using the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development’s (OECD)  
13 Structural Analysis (STAN) database<sup>1</sup> and a study done for the Energy Information Administration (EIA)  
14 by R.W. Beck, Inc.<sup>2</sup>  
15 Our analysis indicates that the construction of CREC supports the Hardy and Tebaldi testimonies in terms  
16 of job creation. If anything, it suggests higher numbers of jobs. The CLMA data provide for an average  
17 of 328 jobs per year in the trades alone during the construction period. Since the trades comprise only one

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<sup>2</sup> “Updated Capital Cost Estimates for Electricity Generating Plants”, prepared by R.W. Beck for the U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Analysis, November 2010.

18 segment of construction workers, and there will be other types of workers as well employed at the site,  
19 total direct jobs on site will be higher.

20 Noting that a ramp-up in jobs associated with CREC does not occur until the close of 2018, there is a  
21 dove-tailing in demand that could lend stability to the construction trades in Rhode Island over the years  
22 2018-2020. A crucial point is that, even if markets are tight, and a skilled worker moves from one job to  
23 a CREC job, wages are likely to increase. Since benefits and related costs like worker's compensation are  
24 usually calculated as percentages of wages, accepting a job to work on CREC will lift a worker's wage  
25 and benefits.

26 We regard the value added multipliers from JEDI as reasonable for the state of Rhode Island. The output  
27 multipliers are close to the value added multipliers, so we regard them as reasonable, as well.

28 We also examine the labor-intensity of different generating technologies nationwide. In this analysis,  
29 gas-fired generation employs more workers per dollar of spending than any other generating technologies,  
30 except solar photovoltaic and hydroelectric. While local employment impacts may be of primary interest,  
31 just as Rhode Island's government is interested in the state's contribution to global emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>, it is  
32 also worth noting that natural gas compares favorably to other generating technologies in terms of  
33 employment impacts, when one accounts for impacts within and beyond the Rhode Island state line. This  
34 result does not depend on the current, low price of natural gas persisting into the future. It results from  
35 upstream employment in pipeline construction and extraction.

36 We regard Hardy and Tebaldi's estimates of the local impacts on employment and value added of CREC  
37 as reasonable. They estimate that construction and operation of CREC will create more than 605 jobs per  
38 year during 2018-2021 in Rhode Island, and 129 jobs per year thereafter, not accounting for the effects of  
39 lower electricity prices. We estimate that construction and operation of CREC would create 852 jobs per  
40 year, directly and indirectly, locally, during 2018-2021. The 852 does not include any of the secondary  
41 "induced" effects included in Hardy and Tebaldi's estimate. For the same period, we estimate impacts on  
42 value added of about \$154 million per year. This does not include any effects of lower electricity prices,

43 which *are* included in Hardy and Tebaldi's estimated \$133 million per year effect on output for  
44 2018-2021.

## 45 **1. INTRODUCTION**

46 **Q. Please state your name, business title and business address.**

47 My name is Ralph Gentile, Ph.D. I am Senior Economist for the CLMA, 2393 Alumni Drive,  
48 Lexington, KY 40517. My personal address is 108 Pine Street, Andover, MA 01810. I have  
49 been assisted in this testimony by Marc H. Vatter, Ph.D., an energy economist with extensive  
50 experience in the electrical utility industry. Marc's address is 9 Underhill Street, Nashua, NH  
51 03060.

52 **Q. On whose behalf are you testifying?**

53 Our testimony is on behalf of the Rhode Island Building and Construction Trades Council  
54 (RIBCTC) in support of the Invenergy application for a license from the Rhode Island Energy  
55 Facilities Siting Board ("EFSB" or the "Board") to construct the CREC project in Burrillville,  
56 Rhode Island.

57 **Q. Please describe your educational background and your professional experience.**

58 I (Ralph Gentile) am employed as a consultant at the CLMA. I have a Ph.D. from the University  
59 of Pennsylvania. I was an assistant professor in the Economics Department of UMass Lowell  
60 before working for 25 years as an economist at the McGraw-Hill Construction Information  
61 Group. (A detailed description of my educational background and professional experience is  
62 included as Exhibit RG-1.)

63 Marc Vatter is a consulting economist with extensive experience in the electric utility industry.  
64 (A detailed description of Marc's education and professional experience is included as Exhibit  
65 MV-1.)

66 **Q. What is the Construction Labor Market Analyzer?**

67 The CLMA is a labor market consulting group that, among other things, analyzes the demand for  
68 the skilled construction trades based on projects in the construction queue; that is, projects under  
69 construction or planned for construction during future years.

70 **Q. Can you please describe the individuals' experience with skilled construction trades and  
71 power markets?**

72 Ralph Gentile is primarily a construction economist with training in regional economics. Since  
73 his retirement from McGraw-Hill's Construction Information Group, Ralph Gentile has written  
74 and run models of job demand and wage escalation for the skilled trades using CLMA data.  
75 Those models rely on CLMA's data collection and detailed profiles of demand for the skilled  
76 construction trades by project type, key to analyzing the tightness of labor markets for the trades.

77 Marc Vatter's most recent work includes production cost modeling of the electric power grids in  
78 Mexico and the Midcontinent ISO using AURORA<sup>amp</sup>®. He has sponsored testimony before  
79 several regulatory commissions on rates, plant additions, etc.

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

81 Our testimony will support the socio-economic impact analysis presented by PA Consulting,  
82 whose principal, Ryan Hardy, and affiliate, Edinaldo Tebaldi, have already submitted testimony  
83 in favor of CREC, a 970 megawatt (MW) combined cycle dual fueled generation facility. It will  
84 cover the direct demand for construction workers, supervisory personnel, professionals, and

85 operating personnel, as well as the derived demand for labor in building products and other  
86 material inputs. It will discuss the effects on incomes in the local economy. Also included are  
87 comments on the labor-intensity of combined cycle natural gas electricity generating plants  
88 compared to alternative generating technologies, as well as additional (independent) estimates of  
89 the employment impacts of CREC.

90 **Q. Please provide an overview of your testimony.**

91 Our testimony addresses six topics:

- 92 1. A description of the methodology used to estimate the employment impacts of CREC;
- 93 2. a discussion of direct construction jobs with reference to CLMA estimates for full time  
94 equivalent jobs by specific trade, along with an assessment of the demands on local labor  
95 markets for tradespeople;
- 96 3. the relative importance of the induced effects of CREC on output and value added in  
97 Rhode Island;
- 98 4. an assessment of labor-intensity of construction and operation of a plant like CREC  
99 relative to other generating technologies;
- 100 5. estimates of employment impacts within and beyond the Rhode Island state line;
- 101 6. a technical appendix.

102 **2. METHODOLOGY**

103 **Q. What types of impacts do you estimate?**

104 Our focus is primarily on employment impacts, especially those in the building trades, but we do  
105 discuss other socio-economic benefits associated with CREC.

106 **Q. What tools were used to estimate these impacts?**

107 Our primary source is estimates of employment impacts in the building trades from the CLMA.  
108 PA Consulting primarily relied on the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) Jobs  
109 and Economic Development Impact Model (JEDI) to estimate employment impacts. They also  
110 used AURORAxmp®, a production cost model, and their New England capacity market model  
111 to estimate the impact of CREC on electricity prices, and used IMPLAN to examine the effects  
112 of the resulting ratepayer savings on the Rhode Island economy.

113 We use CLMA data for a standard 1,000 megawatt combined cycle power plant to elucidate the  
114 direct job impacts. We do some brief work using JEDI to verify the reasonableness of the  
115 relationship among different types of effects on output and value added.

116 In addition, we perform an independent analysis using the OECD's STAN database<sup>3</sup> and a study  
117 done for the EIA by R.W. Beck, Inc.<sup>4</sup> The OECD data contain information on value added and  
118 labor input for a large number of industrial categories, and the Beck study provides cost data for  
119 several expenditure categories and generating technologies.

120 **Q. For what geographical area are effects estimated?**

121 *Regional Definition:* The focus of the analysis is the State of Rhode Island, although parts of the  
122 Boston consolidated metropolitan area, specifically the Worcester metropolitan area, are within  
123 commuting distance. The JEDI modeling is Rhode Island-specific and accounts for the size of  
124 the state. We also examine impacts beyond the Rhode Island state line using the OECD and Beck  
125 data.

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<sup>4</sup> "Updated Capital Cost Estimates for Electricity Generating Plants", prepared by R.W. Beck for the U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Analysis, November 2010.

126 **Q. What types of effects are estimated?**

127 In the methodology used here, the employment impacts come in multiple stages. The first set of  
128 impacts is called “direct effects”; these are jobs, income, output and fiscal benefits due to “onsite  
129 labor and professional services jobs”. In terms of spending, it is money spent on labor for  
130 companies engaged in development and on-site construction and operation of power generation  
131 and transmission<sup>5</sup>. These jobs (and other effects) may be short-term, as in the case of  
132 construction jobs, or long-term, such as the operations and maintenance positions that exist  
133 throughout the life of the generation facility.

134 The second set of impacts is often called “indirect effects”.<sup>6</sup> They are jobs, income, output and  
135 fiscal effects that are created due to the initial spending to build and operate a plant, not  
136 including that which is directly spent on labor. Indirect jobs include the jobs created to provide  
137 the materials, goods, and services required by the builders and operators of CREC.

138 The third set of effects is called “induced effects”<sup>7</sup>; these are secondary impacts on jobs,  
139 earnings, output and fiscal benefits created by household spending of income earned either  
140 directly from CREC or indirectly from businesses that are impacted by CREC.

141 In the analysis, the direct, indirect and induced effects are gross of any alternative employment  
142 that might obtain, where the level of alternative employment depends on conditions in the  
143 markets for the types of labor employed through CREC.

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<sup>5</sup> Please see JEDI documentation, “Interpreting Results”, first paragraph.  
<http://www.nrel.gov/analysis/jedi/results.html>, accessed August 1, 2017.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid. second paragraph.

<sup>7</sup> Ibid. third paragraph.

144 **Q. What benchmarks did you use in assessing the reasonableness of the modeling results?**

145 We studied the JEDI model, reviewing its methodology and examining its calculations. We  
146 compared its direct construction job estimates to the craft trade profiles from the CLMA's 1,000  
147 MW combined cycle natural gas power plant example. The CLMA estimates are consistent with  
148 the direct, indirect, and induced effects estimated using JEDI. We also compared JEDI's  
149 employment impacts to those derived using the OECD and Beck data, and the latter are  
150 somewhat higher.

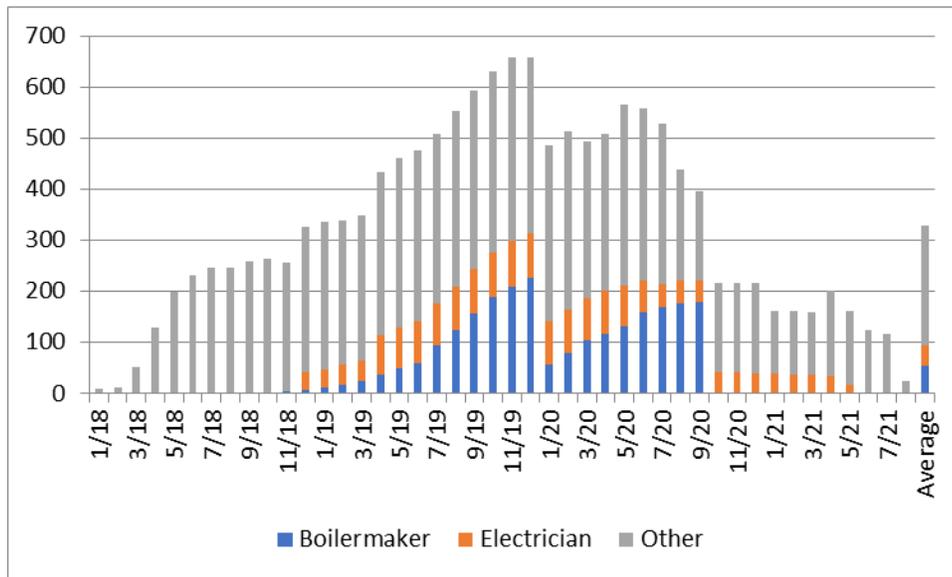
151 **3. DIRECT IMPACTS ON THE TRADES**

152 **Q. Please provide a summary of CREC's impact on local employment in the trades.**

153 Like the PA Consulting analysis, our analysis assumes 41 months of construction, beginning in  
154 January of 2018. This implies that the first 485 MW (half) of the plant will take two and a half  
155 years to construct, and the second 485 MW an additional year.

156 Our analysis indicates that the construction of the CREC supports the Hardy and Tebaldi  
157 testimonies in terms of job creation. If anything, it suggests slightly higher numbers of onsite  
158 construction jobs.

Figure 1: Direct Employment by Trade in Construction of CREC



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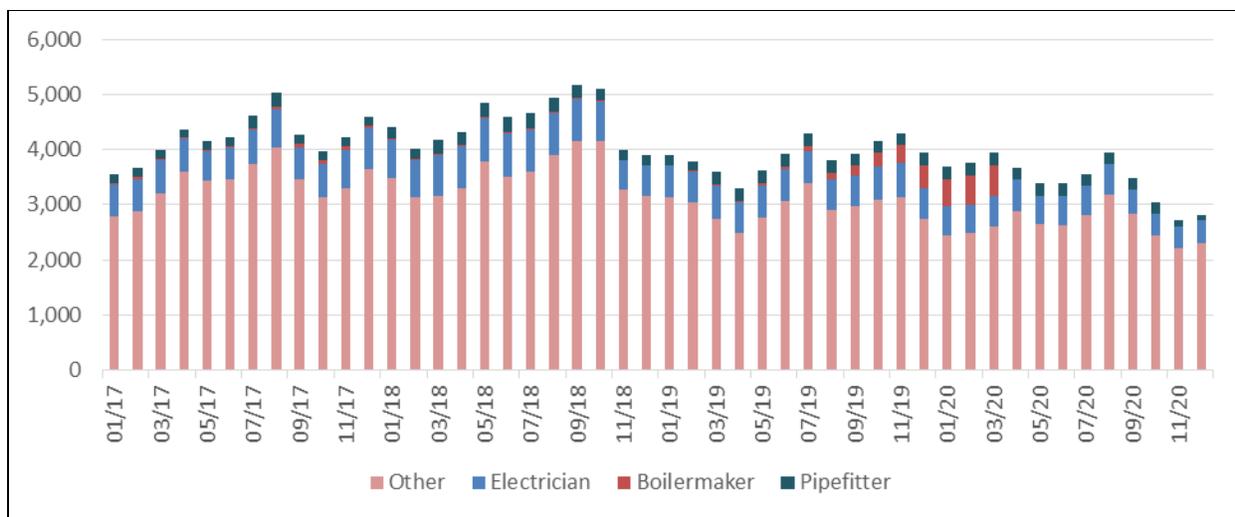
161 The CLMA estimates are for a standard 1,000 MW combined-cycle natural gas fired power plant  
 162 built according to the construction schedule. They provide for an average of 328 jobs per year  
 163 with total annual full-time equivalent jobs of 1,203, *in the trades*. (For details, please see Table 5  
 164 in Exhibit RG-2, which shows the breakdown of these jobs as per the CLMA estimates.) On  
 165 page 28, lines 12-14 of his testimony, Hardy writes “The construction and operation of CREC  
 166 alone – i.e., not including the electricity cost savings to the customer – will create an average of  
 167 more than 605 full-time jobs per year from 2018-2021...”, but this includes indirect and induced  
 168 effects that go beyond the type of direct employment described in the CLMA data, so the  
 169 estimate is reasonable in light of the CLMA data.

170 **Q. How do the jobs that will be created by the CREC fit with the prospective demand for**  
 171 **the skilled trades going forward?**

172 Recruiting skilled craft workers can become difficult in tight labor markets, and it is important to  
 173 understand the timing of demand at the local level. An examination of the Rhode Island-wide  
 174 demand for the skilled trades suggests a resetting of demand at the end of 2018. Noting that the

175 ramp-up in jobs for CREC does not occur until the close of 2018, there is a dove-tailing in  
 176 demand that could lend stability to the construction trades in Rhode Island over the years  
 177 2018-2020.

178 Figure 2: Direct Employment by Trade for Rhode Island Skilled Workers



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180 **Q. Are the jobs that will be provided by Invenergy LLC be well-paid with benefits?**

181 Actual wage and benefits for skilled trade jobs at the CREC will be subject to negotiation under  
 182 a Project Labor Agreement. However, there is information that bears on the question of  
 183 compensation.

184 The Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics provide  
 185 annual estimates of wages for individual occupations by state. For the construction trades, the  
 186 dispersion between median and upper percentile wages is large, with the higher percentiles  
 187 generally occurring in the commercial and industrial construction project types. In particular,  
 188 industrial projects require very skilled workers, since, for example, the correct installation and  
 189 testing of high voltage components and pressure vessels is extremely important. The result is  
 190 substantial wage premia for these workers.

191 For a selected set of trades,  
 192 Table 1 presents differentials for Rhode Island workers. The crucial point is that, even if markets  
 193 are tight and a skilled worker moves from one job to another at CREC, wages are likely to  
 194 increase. Since benefits and related costs like workers compensation are usually calculated as  
 195 percentages of wages, accepting a job to work on CREC will lift a worker’s wage and benefits.

196 Table 1: Distributions of Wage Rates for Selected Trades in Rhode Island; 2016

<u>Occupational Title</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Median Hourly Wage</u>	<u>90th Percentile Hourly Wage</u>	<u>% Diff</u>
Construction Occupations	RI	24.89	38.75	56%
Carpenters	RI	24.16	37.07	53%
Cement Masons	RI	25.12	36.56	46%
Construction Laborers	RI	20.45	29.99	47%
Electricians	RI	25.54	36.72	44%
Insulation Workers	RI	37.77	48.49	28%
Painters, Construction and Maintenance	RI	19.25	24.27	26%
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	RI	28.56	47.00	65%
Sheet Metal Workers	RI	25.02	38.84	55%
Structural Iron and Steel Workers	RI	34.69	39.33	13%

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 198 **Q. What socio-economic benefits will accrue to Rhode Island in conjunction with the direct,**  
 199 **indirect and induced jobs, along with the associated increases in state incomes and output?**

200 Construction of the CREC will produce a broad range of benefits to the local community and the  
 201 state. Locally, CREC will support stable families and lift demand for housing by providing  
 202 long-term employment via its operations and maintenance jobs. By adding a major ratable to the  
 203 tax base, CREC will raise town revenues. State-wide, it will sustain demand for the skilled trades  
 204 in late 2018 when construction employment might otherwise be slipping. Also state-wide, it will  
 205 lower the cost of electricity and reduce the likelihood of outages, enhancing the attractiveness of  
 206 Rhode Island to businesses. Finally, an efficient, load-following electric generating plant like

207 CREC will make it possible to reliably fill the gaps inherent in generation from renewable  
208 sources, making it easier for the state to reduce emissions. The tax revenue associated with  
209 CREC can fund public goods such as education, drug treatment, and recreational facilities, as  
210 decided in state and local budgeting processes. Public expenditures such as these strengthen the  
211 social fabric of the community.

212 Questions associated with the economic impacts of workers residing outside the state are likely  
213 moot. On page 3, lines 5-8 of his testimony, Michael F. Sabitoni, President of the Rhode Island  
214 Building and Construction Trades Council, writes:

215 “If approved, this project will be constructed by hundreds of uniquely qualified skilled  
216 craftsmen and women from the seventeen (17) unions of the RIBCTC. Most of these  
217 workers will be from the local area. Moreover, the workers that work on this project will  
218 be deriving one-hundred percent (100%) of their household income from working on this  
219 facility.”

220 **Q. What will be the revenue impact of CREC on Rhode Island’s tax receipts?**

221 In terms of state revenues, CREC will make a significant contribution. Rhode Island derives  
222 income from taxing personal income at rates ranging from 3.75% to 5.99% and taxing corporate  
223 income at 9%. It imposes a sales tax of 7%. From these and other sources of revenue,  
224 Rhode Island will derive millions of dollars from the CREC.

225 All workers working in the State of Rhode Island owe personal income tax on their earnings at a  
226 marginal rate of 3.75%, up to an annual income of \$60,550, and 4.75% for wages between  
227 \$60,550 and \$138,300. A conservative estimate of the impact of the CREC on state revenues due  
228 to the construction trades alone can be gained by doing a few simple calculations. Based on the total  
229 1,203 full-time construction jobs in the trades, assuming a work-year of 2,080 hours, and using

230 the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile income from the 2016 Occupational Employment Survey for Rhode Island,  
231 each worker would contribute over \$3,200 to state coffers, so that total gain to the state would be  
232 nearly \$4.0 million. This estimate is for the trades alone, so adding the impacts of all additional  
233 direct, indirect and induced jobs, would create a much larger total. Specifically, jobs related to  
234 CREC would contribute state tax revenues of \$30 million during construction, including \$15  
235 million in sales taxes, \$11 million in individual income taxes, and \$2 million in corporate income  
236 taxes, using data on the Rhode Island economy from the Census Bureau and the Federal Reserve,  
237 as well as our estimated \$154 million in value added.<sup>8</sup>

#### 238 **4. RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF THE INDUCED EFFECTS**

239 **Q. Did you do any calculations using the NREL’s JEDI model, which Ryan Hardy and**  
240 **Edinaldo Tebaldi used to estimate local economic impacts of building and operating**  
241 **CREC?**

242 Yes, briefly, in order to verify the reasonableness of those calculations. We populated JEDI with  
243 data on a generic combined cycle plant similar to CREC. We wanted to verify that the  
244 multipliers used to derive induced effects were reasonable. In NREL’s definitions, this  
245 multiplier is the ratio of total effects to the sum of direct and indirect effects. We calculated the  
246 number for both output and value added<sup>9</sup>, and for expenditures on both construction and  
247 operation. We found the following multipliers.

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<sup>8</sup> See <https://www.census.gov/govs/state/> and <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/series/RINGSP>, accessed August 2, 2017.

<sup>9</sup> “Value added” is the amount by which the value of an article is increased at each stage of its production, exclusive of initial costs. When summed over the entire supply chain, it is a measure of final output.

248 Table 2: Multipliers on Direct and Indirect Effects of Construction and Operation of CREC

	<u>Output</u>	<u>Value Added</u>
Construction	1.37	1.33
Operation	1.30	1.28

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250 **Q. How do you know if these multipliers are reasonable?**

251 One way to put the multipliers for value added in perspective is to evaluate what we call the  
252 corresponding “marginal propensity to leak”. That is, the implied fraction of each dollar  
253 received in Rhode Island that is either spent out of state or saved. For the construction value  
254 added multiplier, the implied fraction is 0.25. For the operational output multiplier, the implied  
255 fraction is 0.22. We regard these as reasonable for the state of Rhode Island. The output  
256 multipliers are close to the value added multipliers, so we regard them as reasonable, as well.

257 **5. LABOR-INTENSITY BY GENERATING TECHNOLOGY**

258 **Q. Did you estimate employment impacts over a larger area and for different generating**  
259 **technologies?**

260 We examined the labor-intensity of different generating technologies on a national level. Table  
261 3 shows the results of an analysis originally done in 2011 by Economic Insight, Inc. for  
262 PacifiCorp, based on the OECD and Beck data. It shows dollars of spending per annual full time  
263 equivalent worker by generating technology and capital, fuel, and operations and maintenance  
264 expenditure categories.<sup>10</sup> The lower the number, the more workers are employed per dollar of  
265 spending. In this analysis, combined cycle gas-fired generation employs more workers per dollar  
266 of spending than any other generating technologies, except solar photovoltaic and hydroelectric.  
267 The effects correspond to the direct and indirect effects estimated using JEDI, with a key

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<sup>10</sup> Unfortunately, oil-fired generation is not included. On page 14, lines 14-15 of his testimony, Hardy writes that Clear River would primarily replace coal- and oil-fired generation.

268 difference: Whereas JEDI was used to estimate local impacts, these estimates apply even when  
 269 the supply chain extends out of state. By this criterion, gas-fired generation is among the most  
 270 labor-intensive of the technologies.

271 Table 3: 2016\$ of Spending on Electric Generators Per Annual Full Time Equivalent  
 272 Worker

	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Fuel</u>	<u>O&amp;M</u>	<u>Total</u>
Geothermal Binary	\$142,352		\$153,545	\$150,309
Wind	\$143,020		\$156,931	\$150,339
Solar Thermal	\$140,918		\$170,049	\$164,587
Solar PV	\$119,016		\$149,957	\$132,784
Nuclear	\$132,710	\$311,366	\$149,759	\$165,017
Coal	\$132,862	\$166,109	\$156,931	\$156,222
Coal with CCS	\$138,237	\$166,109	\$156,931	\$156,812
Natural Gas	\$139,994	\$136,906	\$156,931	\$138,577
Biomass	\$136,689	\$157,868	\$156,931	\$154,779
Hydroelectricity	\$120,565		\$156,931	\$129,233
U.S. Economy				\$121,650

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 274 **Q. If solar PV and hydro employ more workers per dollar spent, why not rely on those**  
 275 **technologies, rather than natural gas?**

276 On page 12, lines 8-11 of his testimony, Hardy explains that load-following gas-fired generation  
 277 and intermittent solar generation are more complements in production of electricity than  
 278 substitutes. Solar generation produces energy when the sun shines, and gas-fired generation fills  
 279 in the gaps between that output and load. As to hydropower, in terms of overall employment  
 280 impacts, it is superior to gas, but there are other considerations in deciding what source of power  
 281 to rely on. In particular, suitable hydro sites and transmission routes for importation of  
 282 hydropower are limited in supply.

283 **Q. Is it a problem that only direct and indirect effects, and not induced effects, are**  
284 **estimated in Table 3?**

285 No. Especially when comparing technologies, induced effects can reasonably be assumed to be  
286 similar.

287 **Q. Should the Rhode Island EFSB be interested in employment impacts outside the state?**

288 Hardy points out on page 22, lines 14-20 of his direct testimony that “[The Regional Greenhouse  
289 Gas Initiative] recognizes that greenhouse gas emissions are a global issue, and not a localized  
290 emissions issue,” and that Rhode Island was a leader in making the initiative a reality. On page  
291 38, lines 24-25, he writes, with his own emphasis: “The Resilient Rhode Island Act was enacted  
292 to help reduce overall *global* emissions regarding the *global* issue of climate change.”

293 While local employment impacts may be of primary interest, just as Rhode Island’s government  
294 is interested in the state’s contribution to global emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>, it is also worth noting that  
295 natural gas compares favorably to other generating technologies in terms of employment  
296 impacts, when one accounts for impacts within and beyond the Rhode Island state line.

297 **Q. You said that the analysis was originally done in 2011. Have you updated it in any way?**

298 We updated the price of natural gas and, insofar as it factors into the analysis, oil, as those  
299 elements are particularly relevant to the CREC project and volatile. We also replaced the Beck  
300 numbers with updated overnight capital and operations and maintenance costs for an advanced  
301 combined cycle plant from the EIA.<sup>11</sup>

302 **Q. Does the result that natural gas compares favorably to other technologies in terms of**  
303 **employment impacts depend on the current, low price of gas persisting into the future?**

304 No. We assume that the price of natural gas will be \$6.50/MMbtu, in 2016 dollars. That is the  
305 levelized price of natural gas used in electric power generation from the EIA’s *Annual Energy*

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<sup>11</sup> See “Assumptions to the Annual Energy Outlook 2017”, Table 8.2.

306 *Outlook* reference case forecast, which is often used in analysis throughout the energy industries.  
307 In that forecast, the 2017 price is \$3.61/MMbtu (2016\$), which is 59% lower than what we have  
308 assumed.

309 **Q. Why, then, does natural gas compare favorably to other technologies in terms of**  
310 **employment impacts?**

311 Gas-fired generation has large employment impacts that go beyond the generators themselves.  
312 First, natural gas pipeline construction creates a large number of jobs. Completion of the  
313 Algonquin Incremental Market (AIM) project notwithstanding, gas pipeline facilities in  
314 New England reach full loading during winter months. That CREC is being built as a dual  
315 fueled unit is in part a response to that constraint. It is reasonable to assume, then, that additional  
316 gas-fired generation will require additional pipeline capacity (and additional oil-fired generation  
317 may, as well). Some of these impacts will occur nearby. According to the Manhattan Institute,<sup>12</sup>

318 Transportation costs are high for key materials used in exploration, drilling, and the  
319 construction of gas-processing plants and pipelines. Therefore, support industries, including  
320 well support, steel, sand and gravel, concrete, trucking, and scientific and engineering  
321 services, often arise locally. Most of these support activities are not easily outsourced to  
322 foreign suppliers. (p. 5)

323 Second, advances in hydraulic fracturing for shale gas have made the process of extraction more  
324 labor-intensive.

325 As is not true of conventional oil and gas wells, shale energy output declines steeply during  
326 the first few years of production. As a result, operators must be continually drilling new  
327 wells. If the market price is strong, the large initial output generates high rates of return and

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<sup>12</sup> Considine, T.J., Watson, R.W., and Considine, N.B. The Economic Opportunities of Shale Energy Development. *Energy Policy and the Environment* No. 9, Manhattan Institute, May 2011.

328 continuous incentives to keep drilling. This is one reason that regional economies with shale  
329 plays are enjoying a boom in job creation, tax revenues, and income growth. (p. 1)

330 This is not to say that hydraulic fracturing is without environmental risks, but the focus of our  
331 testimony is on employment.<sup>13</sup> Upstream labor-intensity, not accounted for in Hardy and  
332 Tebaldi's estimates, will rise over time as shale gas replaces conventional gas.

333 ...the labor-intensive aspects of shale gas development accelerate over time and can persist for  
334 decades, if the reserves in place are large enough. (p. 5)

335 **Q. Did you use these sources to estimate the employment impacts of CREC?**

336 Yes. Table 6, included as Exhibit MV-2, shows nationwide employment impacts based on the  
337 OECD and Beck data by OECD industrial category. We assume a plant factor of 65%. We have  
338 endeavored to report impacts on the same temporal basis as Hardy and Tebaldi, but the "annual"  
339 impacts of operations on employment in pipeline transport should be interpreted loosely, as most  
340 of that employment occurs in the construction, rather than operations, of the pipelines.

341 **Q. In light of the estimates in Table 6, do you regard Hardy's estimates of the local  
342 employment impacts of CREC as reasonable?**

343 Yes, we do. On page 5, lines 18-21 of his testimony, Tebaldi reports estimates that construction  
344 and operation of CREC will create more than 605 jobs per year during 2018-2021, and 129 jobs  
345 per year in operations thereafter. These numbers include direct, indirect, and induced effects, but  
346 not the effects of lower electricity prices. Using the OECD and Beck data, suppose that, in  
347 construction, one counts a fourth of electrical and optical equipment and electrical machinery  
348 and apparatus not elsewhere classified, and all of fabricated metal products, except machinery  
349 and equipment, construction, and finance, insurance, real estate and business services as local.

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<sup>13</sup> The Environmental Protection Agency's final report on the impacts of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water resources is available at <https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/hfstudy/recordisplay.cfm?deid=332990>, accessed August 2, 2017.

350 Then, the estimates in Table 6 imply that construction and operation of CREC would create 852  
351 jobs per year, directly and indirectly, locally, during 2018-2021. The 852 does not include any  
352 of the induced effects in Hardy and Tebaldi’s estimate of 605.

353 This result comports with the assessment of The Rhode Island Statewide Planning Program:

354 “...the magnitude of the employment, earnings, and economic output benefits described  
355 by Invenenergy are reasonable, or even low, and consistent with a finding of positive  
356 economic impact for the state.”<sup>14</sup>

357 Suppose, in operation, one counts half of electrical and optical equipment and electrical  
358 machinery and apparatus not elsewhere classified, three fourths of sale, maintenance and repair  
359 of motor vehicles and motorcycles - retail sale of automotive fuel, transport and storage, and  
360 computer and related activities, and all of electricity, gas, and water supply as local. Then, the  
361 estimates in Table 6 imply that operation of CREC after 2021 would create 89 jobs per year,  
362 which also does not include any of the induced effects included in Hardy and Tebaldi’s estimate  
363 of 129.

364 **Q. Did you calculate corresponding estimates of value added?**

365 Yes. Using the OECD and Beck data by industry and capital expenditure category,  
366 corresponding direct and indirect local impacts of construction and operations are about  
367 \$116 million per year for 2018-2021. Applying the multiplier 1.33 from Table 2 gives total  
368 (direct, indirect, and induced) impacts on value added of about \$154 million. This does not  
369 include any effects of lower electricity prices, which are included in Hardy and Tebaldi’s  
370 estimated \$133 million per year effect on output for 2018-2021 on page 28, line 21 of Hardy’s  
371 direct testimony. Table 4 summarizes local impacts on employment during the construction  
372 years from the different sources.

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<sup>14</sup> See Tebaldi’s testimony, page 7, lines 8-10.

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Table 4: Impacts on Annual FTE in Rhode Island 2018-2021

<u>Source</u>	<u>Direct</u>	<u>Direct and Indirect</u>	<u>Direct, Indirect, and Induced</u>	<u>Lower Electricity Prices</u>
CLMA	328			
OECD/Beck		852		
JEDI			605	
IMPLAN				75

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375 **Q. How do your results depend on your assumptions about construction lead time?**

376 The base case assumption is that the first half of CREC would be built and commence operations  
377 in 29 months, and the second half would require an additional 12 months. According to Table  
378 8.2 of the EIA’s “Assumptions to the Annual Energy Outlook 2017”, lead time for a 429 MW  
379 advanced combined cycle plant is 36 months. Accordingly, we might alternatively assume that  
380 the 970 MW CREC facility would require 53 months to construct. If so, construction and  
381 operation of CREC would create 619 jobs per year, directly and indirectly, locally, during  
382 2018-2022, and about \$112 million per year in value added, compared to which Hardy and  
383 Tebaldi’s estimates are still reasonable. Allowing longer lead time also implies that there would  
384 be less pressure to fill construction jobs with workers from out of state, and that the jobs filled by  
385 Rhode Islanders would be longer in duration.

386 **Q. How were the OECD and Beck data used to make these estimates?**

387 Please see the technical appendix.

388 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

389 Yes, it does.

390 **7. TECHNICAL APPENDIX**

391 **Q. How are dollars per job calculated in the Economic Insight analysis?**

392 The following discussion accompanies the analysis.

393 We begin with costs of capital, fuel, and O&M used to produce electric power by generating  
394 technology, from the Energy Information Administration (EIA) and other sources. We would  
395 like to estimate the total labor associated with production of that power and divide the costs by  
396 the labor to estimate the jobs associated with spending on the different technologies. We have a  
397 good idea which industries contribute labor to production of electric power for each generating  
398 technology, but we do not know how much labor each industry contributes, or the sum of those  
399 contributions. We describe a method here that uses data on value added and employment from  
400 the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), together with estimated  
401 costs from a study<sup>15</sup> done by R.W. Beck for EIA, to approximate the sum of those contributions  
402 and, therefore, dollars of spending per job.

403 We calculate dollars per unit of labor used to produce a “final” good as a weighted average of  
404 dollars per unit of labor in the industries that contribute intermediate goods. The method has two  
405 significant limitations. The first is that available data do not conform precisely to the cost  
406 streams (e.g. fuel costs of natural gas-fired generators) whose employment effects we would like  
407 to estimate. The adaptation is to use data for industries that overlap with those cost streams, or  
408 for industries where labor employs similar skills and physical capital. Industries that compete  
409 for labor with those feeding into generation using a technology of interest are good candidates.  
410 The second limitation is that we assume that value added per unit of labor employed in each

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<sup>15</sup> “Updated Capital Cost Estimates for Electricity Generating Plants”, prepared by R.W. Beck for the U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Analysis, November 2010.

411 industry is the same when producing intermediate goods used for electric power as when  
 412 industry output is used to produce other goods.

413 The OECD STAN database provides valued added, employment, and labor compensation,  
 414 among other data, for a large number of industrial categories. Using these, we have constructed  
 415 data on value added per unit of labor for the industrial categories relevant to generation of  
 416 electric power. We express cost per unit of labor contributed to production of one unit of a  
 417 “final” good (e.g. natural gas delivered to a combined cycle generator) as a weighted average of  
 418 value added per unit of labor employed producing each intermediate good (e.g. pipeline transport  
 419 of natural gas):

$$420 \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{P_i Q_i}{L_i} a_i = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N P_i Q_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N L_i} \quad (1)$$

$$421 \quad \sum_{i=1}^N a_i = 1 \quad (2)$$

422  
 423 where there are  $N$  intermediate goods;  $a_i$  is the weight assigned to Intermediate Good  $i$ ;  $P_i$  is  
 424 its price *net of costs for preceding intermediate goods used to produce*  $Q_i$  units;  $L_i$  is the labor  
 425 contributed to produce  $Q_i$ ; and  $P_i Q_i / L_i$ , then, is value added per unit of labor. Value added  
 426 over all intermediate goods equals cost of the final good,  $C \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N P_i Q_i$ .

427 For example,  $C$  could be fuel costs for electric power produced using natural gas, one of the  
 428  $P_i Q_i$ s could be the value added to production of that power from pipeline transport, and the  
 429 corresponding  $L_i$  the labor contributed to transport the gas. From the OECD STAN database,  
 430 we have value added per unit of labor,  $P_i Q_i / L_i$ , for “land transport - transport via pipelines”,

431 and we have a forecast of costs for fuel from the EIA, the value for  $C$ . Thus, we have all but  
 432 one of the data needed to quantify the weight we assign to value added per unit of labor for  
 433 Intermediate Good  $i$ :

$$434 \quad a_i = \frac{1}{N} \left( \frac{L_i}{P_i Q_i} / \frac{L}{C} \right) = \frac{L_i}{L} \frac{C}{N \times P_i Q_i} \quad (3)$$

435 where  $L$  is the sum of all labor contributed;  $\sum_{i=1}^N L_i = L$ .  $L$  is the datum we do not know before  
 436 the fact, but we choose it to satisfy (2). In calculating this weighted average, dollars per unit of  
 437 labor,  $P_i Q_i / L_i$ , are weighted in direct relation to units of labor per dollar. Plugging (3) into (1)  
 438 gives

$$439 \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{P_i Q_i}{L_i} a_i &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{P_i Q_i}{L_i} \frac{L_i}{L} \frac{C}{N \times P_i Q_i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{C}{LN} = N \times \frac{C}{NL} \\ &= \frac{C}{L} \end{aligned}$$

440  $C/L$  is dollars of spending per unit of labor used to produce the final good, and multiplying it by  
 441 the number of units of labor that constitute a “job” gives dollars per job.

442 Once the  $a_i$ ’s and  $L$  are known, employment impacts by industry can be derived using  $L_i = L a_i$ .  
 443 Value added is given by multiplying employment impacts by the weighted average of spending  
 444 per job across expenditure categories from the Beck study.

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Forecasted skilled trade wage escalation rates for companies planning multi-year projects.

Analyzed and updated market prospects for petroleum, natural gas and commodity chemicals.

Senior Economist (1993-2014)

Research & Analytics Group, McGraw-Hill Construction

Wrote and maintained econometric models to forecast construction.

Produced detailed quarterly forecasts and special studies.

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Areas of Research:

*Large Project Forecasts* – methodology for using Dodge Reports information to forecast construction projects (\$5+ million) to start.

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- Wage Escalation Rates for the Skilled Construction Trades – Some Practical Issues and Modeling Considerations. ICERES Research Symposium, July 21, 2016.
- Improving Construction Demand Analytics. A Presentation. National Institute of Building Sciences, Washington, DC (December 12-13, 2013).
- Transportation Infrastructure: Gearing Up for Change. *A McGraw-Hill Construction Special Report*: Principal in multiple author study. McGraw-Hill Construction Research and Analytics, (October 2009).
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  - Used xmp to model expansion and operation of wholesale power grid for independent generators
  - Estimated Herfindahl-Hirschman indices of market concentration
  - Forecasted hourly loads and prices for power
  - Developed methodology and forecasted prices for clean energy certificates,
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- Used xmp to model electric resource planning in the Pacific Northwest
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- Assessed application to install pollution controls on coal plant; testified before the MPSC
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- Analyzed issues regarding pricing and royalties in geothermal and natural gas leases in California and Texas;
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- Projects in energy conservation and pollution control

**Industry Economist**, Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, OR, May 1994 - June 1997

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  - Helped prepare inputs to and interpreted and applied results of Power Marketing Decision Analysis Model (PMDAM) to rate design and to planning and evaluation of generation and conservation resources
  - Prepared and conducted public meetings on analysis and its implications for rate design
  - Fielded and incorporated comments from a variety of participants
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**Public Utilities Specialist**, Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, OR, September 1988 - May 1994

- Conducted research on marginal costs of generating and marketing hydropower on the West Coast
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Macroeconomic Risk and Residential Rate Design	International Association for Energy Economics (IAEE) Working Paper No. 15-208; under review	<a href="http://ssrn.com/abstract=2596258">http://ssrn.com/abstract=2596258</a>
Social Discounting with Diminishing Returns on Investment	Under review	<a href="http://ssrn.com/abstract=1078502">http://ssrn.com/abstract=1078502</a>
The Impact of International Trade on Electric Loads in Mexico	IAEE Working Paper No. 17-301; non-technical version published in IAEE Energy Forum	<a href="http://ssrn.com/abstract=2928817">http://ssrn.com/abstract=2928817</a> <a href="https://www.iaee.org/en/publications/newsletterdl.aspx?id=406">https://www.iaee.org/en/publications/newsletterdl.aspx?id=406</a>
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**Founded and Managed** “Micro Lunch” seminar, Brown University, 2001-2002

**Role of Expert Witness** in Lewis & Clark Law School’s mock personal-injury litigation, 1996

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Table 5: Direct Employment by Trade in Construction of CREC

Craft	1/18	2/18	3/18	4/18	5/18	6/18	7/18	8/18	9/18	10/18	11/18	12/18	1/19	2/19	3/19	4/19	5/19	6/19	7/19	8/19	9/19	10/19	11/19
Boilermaker	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	5	8	12	15	22	29	34	51	67	83	98	108
Boilermaker Welder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	6	9	15	21	26	42	57	74	91	102
Carpenter (Scaffold Builder)	0	0	0	0	16	32	32	32	32	32	31	31	30	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21
Concrete Finisher / Cement Mason	0	0	17	52	69	69	68	66	65	62	60	58	56	52	50	46	44	42	37	34	31	29	27
Craft Helper	0	0	0	0	17	35	36	38	39	40	41	41	43	43	44	44	45	45	46	46	46	45	46
Electrician	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	36	39	41	77	80	81	84	86	87	87	88
Instrumentation Technician	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	8	8	16	17	17	18	18	18	18	19
Insulator	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	7	9	10
Ironworker (Reinforcing)	0	0	20	60	80	78	75	68	63	55	48	42	36	21	19	14	13	11	0	0	0	0	0
Ironworker / Welder (Structural)	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	18	35	38	38	40	41	42	42	43	43	43	42	41	40	39	38
Laborer	4	5	6	6	6	7	8	9	9	10	10	11	11	12	12	12	12	12	13	12	12	12	12
Lineman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Millwright	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	13	16	19	29	36	43	50	55	60	65
Operator (Heavy Crane)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	11	11	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Operator (Heavy Equipment)	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Painter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	3	3	5	7	9	11	13
Pipefitter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	15	16	16	31	32	33	34	35	36	36	36
Pipefitter / Combo Welder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	16	17	18	34	35	36	37	38	39	39	39
Sheet Metal Worker	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	6	7	8	9	10	10	13	13	14	15	16
Sum	11	12	50	125	196	228	242	243	255	261	255	325	335	339	348	435	461	478	511	553	595	633	660

Exhibit RG-2

Table 5: Direct Employment by Trade in Construction of CREC (continued)

Craft	12/19	1/20	2/20	3/20	4/20	5/20	6/20	7/20	8/20	9/20	10/20	11/20	12/20	1/21	2/21	3/21	4/21	5/21	6/21	7/21	8/21	Average
Boilermaker	116	31	43	55	62	68	81	85	88	89	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Boilermaker Welder	111	25	36	49	56	64	79	84	88	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Carpenter (Scaffold Builder)	19	19	17	16	16	14	13	13	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	5	5	4	4	4	4	23
Concrete Finisher / Cement Mason	17	16	14	13	12	11	9	9	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
Craft Helper	45	44	44	43	43	41	41	41	22	22	21	21	21	20	20	19	19	18	18	17	0	34
Electrician	87	87	86	84	83	80	63	45	44	43	42	41	41	39	38	37	35	17	0	0	0	36
Instrumentation Technician	19	19	19	19	19	18	18	18	17	10	10	9	9	9	9	9	8	8	8	8	8	8
Insulator	13	15	17	23	25	26	18	10	11	13	15	16	17	18	19	19	19	10	0	0	0	1
Ironworker (Reinforcing)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Ironworker / Welder (Structural)	21	21	20	19	19	19	17	17	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Laborer	11	11	10	10	9	9	8	8	8	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	10
Lineman	0	0	0	0	0	50	55	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	55	60	56	0	0
Millwright	69	71	76	34	36	37	40	41	42	44	45	45	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Operator (Heavy Crane)	12	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Operator (Heavy Equipment)	8	8	7	7	7	7	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	0	0	0	8
Painter	18	22	27	32	33	34	23	11	12	16	20	21	23	26	27	27	27	14	0	0	0	2
Pipefitter	37	36	36	36	36	36	35	35	34	19	18	18	18	18	17	17	17	16	16	16	15	15
Pipefitter / Combo Welder	39	39	39	38	38	37	37	36	20	20	20	19	19	18	18	18	17	17	16	15	0	16
Sheet Metal Worker	17	17	18	8	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Sum	660	488	515	493	509	568	560	531	439	397	216	216	216	162	160	159	203	164	126	119	24	328

Table 6: Nationwide Employment Impacts of CREC  
(annual full time equivalent worker)

<u>OECD Industrial Category</u>	<u>Construction</u> (Total)	<u>Operation</u> (Annual)
C11 Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas and related services	0	549
C24X Chemicals excluding pharmaceuticals	0	10
C28 Fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	183	0
C30T33 Electrical and optical equipment	478	21
C31 Electrical machinery and apparatus, n.e.c.	3,238	20
C40T41 ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER SUPPLY	0	5
C45 CONSTRUCTION	1,013	0
C50 Sale, maintenance and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles - retail sale of automotive fuel	0	27
C60T63 Transport and storage	0	28
C60 Land transport - transport via pipelines	0	1,103
C65T74 FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES	1,193	0
C65 Financial intermediation, except insurance and pension funding	550	0
C71 Renting of machinery and equipment	283	0
C72 Computer and related activities	0	19
MLTECH Medium-low technology manufactures	143	0
<b>Sum</b>	<b>7,082</b>	<b>1,783</b>