

Post Hearing Data Request No. 1-4

Request:

If the costs associated with the Renewable Energy Growth Program are not entirely encompassed within the Renewable Energy Growth Program filing, please indicate which are incremental under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-13.

Response:

All costs incremental to the Renewable Energy Growth Program under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-13 are included in the 2018 Renewable Energy Growth Program factor filing in Docket No. 4847, as detailed on Schedule NG-2, page 6, Lines 1 - 4. Regarding the incremental labor resources shown on Line 3 and Footnote (A) of Schedule NG-2, page 6, the Company intends to remove the estimated cost beginning September 1, 2018 associated with all FTE (non-contractor) positions except for the estimated administrative costs associated with the Company's participation in the ISO-New England Forward Capacity Market on behalf of eligible Renewable Energy Growth Program projects, as provided for in the Renewable Energy Growth Program Cost Recovery Provision. The Company would remove these estimated costs once the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) renders a decision on the Company's compliance filing in Docket No. 4770, in which the Company proposed to transfer recovery of incremental Renewable Energy Growth Program employees from the Renewable Energy Growth Program factors to base distribution rates effective September 1, 2018. Upon approval of the compliance filing in Docket No. 4770, the Company will submit a supplemental filing in Docket No. 4847 incorporating the PUC's rulings on the estimated Renewable Energy Growth Program costs and the factors proposed in Docket No. 4847.