

Information Request CLF-1-1

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide the following data:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual generation in MWh for each state, region, resource type, fuel type, power plant, or unit where available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.
- b. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual generating capacity in MW for each state, region, resource type, fuel type, power plant, or unit where available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.
- c. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions in short tons for each state, region, resource type, fuel type, power plant, or where if available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis. Please include data for the six New England states, and for all other modeled states (including New York, Maryland, and Delaware) where this data are available.
- d. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual demand for electricity in MWh for each state, region, zone, or node where available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.
- e. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual energy efficiency savings in MWh or annual savings as a percent of sales before energy efficiency for each state, region, zone, or node where available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.
- f. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual imports in MWh to New England from New York and Canada, or more finely defined regions, if available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.
- g. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual exports in MWh from New England to New York and Canada, or more finely defined regions, if available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.
- h. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual non-electric demand for natural gas in million cubic feet for each state, region, zone, node, or sector where available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.

i. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the annual non-electric energy efficiency for natural gas in avoided million cubic feet or annual savings as a percent of non-electric natural gas demand before energy efficiency for each state, region, zone, node, or sector where available, for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.

j. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form, present the assumptions for renewable portfolio standards (RPS) in MWh or percent of affected demand for electricity (i.e., sales) for each state for each year covered by each scenario in this analysis.

**Response:**

- a. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachments NEER-1-1(b)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION) and NEER-1-1(c)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION).
- b. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachment NEER-1-1(d)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION).
- c. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachments NEER-1-1(b)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION) and NEER-1-1(c)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION).
- d. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachment NEER-1-1(f).
- e. Energy efficiency savings are not available from this analysis. Black & Veatch uses the energy and demand forecasts from the ISO-NE 2015 CELT report, and any assumed energy efficiency savings would be embedded in these forecasts.
- f. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachment NEER-1-1(e) (HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION).
- g. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachment NEER-1-1(e) (HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION).
- h. This information was provided previously in Attachment NEER-1-1(j)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION). The annual non-electric demand for natural gas remained unchanged in each scenario.

- i. Non-electric energy efficiency savings are not available for this analysis. Black & Veatch's projection of non-electric demand was informed by a compilation of natural gas local distribution companies' long-term supply and demand resource plans and any assumed energy efficiency savings would be embedded in these forecasts.
- j. This information was previously provided in Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachments NEER-1-1(b)(HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION).

Information Request CLF-1-2

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed annual accounting of how CO2 emissions compare to annual emission targets under the Massachusetts Global Warming Solutions Act (GWSA) as follows:

- a. Present the Massachusetts electric sector and non-electric heating and other buildings emissions relevant to the Massachusetts Greenhouse Gas Inventory for each scenario by year throughout the modeled period.
- b. Which scenarios do not achieve GWSA compliance in 2020 given expected emissions from other sources documented in the Massachusetts Clean Energy and Climate Plan for 2020, 2015 Update (Dec. 31, 2015)?<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/eea/energy/cecp-for-2020.pdf>

**Response:**

- a-b. Specific analysis of the GWSA was not performed as part of this analysis. Given the uncertainty regarding CO2 policy in the United States, Black & Veatch chose a regional approach for the RGGI states using a carbon price projection to reflect CO2 control alternatives.

Information Request CLF-1-3

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed annual accounting of how expected CO<sub>2</sub> emissions compare to annual emission targets under other modeled states' specific climate regulations as follows:

- a. Present each modeled state's electric sector and non-electric heating and other buildings emissions relevant to state inventory systems used to evaluate emissions for compliance with state emission regulations for each scenario by year throughout the modeled period.
- b. Which scenarios do not achieve compliance with state climate regulations given expected emissions from other sources?

**Response:**

- a-b. Specific analysis of each state's specific climate regulations was not performed as part of this analysis. As stated in response to Information Request CLF 1-2, given the uncertainty regarding CO<sub>2</sub> policy in the United States, Black & Veatch chose a regional approach for the RGGI states using a carbon price projection to reflect CO<sub>2</sub> control alternatives.

Information Request CLF-1-4

**Request:**

For each scenario modeled in the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed accounting of how expected CO<sub>2</sub> emissions compare to emission targets under U.S. EPA's Clean Power Plan as follows:

- a. Present the assumptions used for the Clean Power Plan approach modeled in each scenario including a discussion of the particular compliance path modeled (rate-based vs. mass-based, etc.). Please provide detailed assumptions used to model regional trading under the Clean Power Plan.
- b. Present the forecast of Massachusetts electric sector emissions from sources required to comply with the Clean Power Plan for each scenario by year throughout the modeled period.
- c. Which scenarios do not achieve Massachusetts compliance with the Clean Power Plan in each compliance period?
- d. Present the forecast of other modeled states' electric sector emissions from sources required to comply with the Clean Power Plan for each scenario by year throughout the modeled period.
- e. Which scenarios do not achieve each modeled states' compliance with the Clean Power Plan in each compliance period?

**Response:**

- a-e. Specific, detailed analysis of the EPA's Clean Power Plan was not performed as part of this analysis. As stated in response to Information Request, CLF 1-2, given the uncertainty regarding CO<sub>2</sub> policy in the United States, Black & Veatch chose a regional approach for the RGGI states, as well as other states, using a carbon price projection to reflect CO<sub>2</sub> control alternatives.

Information Request CLF-1-5

**Request:**

For each scenario modeled in the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed accounting of how expected CO2 emissions compare to emission targets under the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) as follows:

- a. For each of the nine RGGI states and for the RGGI region as a whole present the forecast the RGGI regions' electric sector emissions from sources required to comply with RGGI for each scenario by year throughout the modeled period.
- b. Which scenarios do not achieve RGGI caps in each modeled year?
- c. Provide the RGGI electric-sector CO2 emissions caps assumed in years after 2020.

**Response:**

- a. For the RGGI region, Black & Veatch assumed a price projection for CO2 that would attempt to meet the caps prescribed by the RGGI program through 2020. Black & Veatch assumed that the RGGI program would be subsumed by a national program in the future. Emissions for the six state area of New England are provided as part of Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachment NEER-1-1(g).
- b. All cases considered for this analysis remain below the published caps from the RGGI program through 2020.
- c. Post 2020 no specific caps were assumed. Black & Veatch prescribed a price projection for CO2 to capture the uncertainty of CO2 policies beyond 2020.

Information Request CLF-1-6

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a more detailed accounting of compliance with state Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS) in all modeled scenarios and years as follows:

- a. For each New England state, for what share of total state electric demand are REC purchases required in each year in each scenario and year modeled?
- b. For Massachusetts, by how much is the share of total state electric demand for which REC purchases required grow in ever year after 2020?
- c. For New York, are the NY-SUN and Large Scale Renewables programs modeled in addition to the state's existing RPS? If so, please describe how they are modeled in detail.

**Response:**

- a. Black & Veatch models Renewable Portfolio Standards for New England at a regional versus a state level. Please see response to Information Request NEER 1-12 for a description of the modeling approach used by Black & Veatch.
- b. Beyond 2020, the share of total MA electric demand to be served by REC purchases grows by 1% each year.
- c. Black & Veatch's responses are limited to the New England area given the limited relevance of information regarding power markets outside of New England.

Information Request CLF-1-7

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed accounting of compliance with state electric energy efficiency regulations and plans including Energy Efficiency Resources Standards, utility IRPs, state energy efficiency plans, and third-party provider plans in all modeled scenarios and years as follows:

- a. Provide a description with how each New England states' and New York's electric energy efficiency regulations and plans are accounted for in modeling.
- b. For each New England state and New York, for which scenarios is compliance with the state electric energy efficiency regulations and plans not achieved in each year? Please provide a specific detailed response by year, state, and scenario to supplement the information provided in Exhibit NGJNC-3.
- c. Please provide a detailed accounting of assumptions on costs, cost levelization, and cost allocation for electric-sector energy efficiency measures for each state, year, and sector (i.e., residential, commercial, and industrial).

**Response:**

a-c. Black & Veatch used the ISO-NE 2015 CELT assumptions for energy efficiency. Further discussion of the forecast used can be found in the response to Information Request NEER-1-5.

Information Request CLF-1-8

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 please provide a detailed accounting of compliance with gas electric energy efficiency regulations and plans including Energy Efficiency Resources Standards, utility IRPs, state energy efficiency plans, and third-party provider plans in all modeled scenarios and years as follows:

- a. Provide a description with how each New England states' and New York's gas energy efficiency regulations and plans are accounted for in modeling.
- b. For each New England state and New York, for which scenarios is compliance with the state gas energy efficiency regulations and plans not achieved in each year, if any?
- c. Please provide a detailed accounting of assumptions on costs, cost levelization, and cost allocation for electric-sector energy efficiency measures for each state, year, and sector (including residential, commercial, and industrial).

**Response:**

- a-b. As discussed in CLF-1-18, Black & Veatch did not make any assumptions regarding long-term gas energy efficiency beyond what has been stated in the long-term supply demand resource reports from the New England LDCs. The focus of Black & Veatch's analysis in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 was the New England market, and no explicit assumptions were made in regard to New York's gas energy efficiency regulations.
- c. In the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, Black & Veatch did not make any assumptions on costs, cost levelization, or cost allocation for gas-sector energy efficiency measures. Black & Veatch assumed that pipeline capacity would be incrementally added over time to satisfy LDC gas load growth. Therefore the assumed efficiency and corresponding load growth for LDCs in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 is not a relevant factor for the electric consumer benefits calculated in Exhibit NG-JNC-3. Please see CLF-1-7 (c) for the electric-sector energy efficiency discussion.

Information Request CLF-1-9

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide the specific CO<sub>2</sub> allowance prices that are used in modeling for each scenario and modeled year.
- b. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide any annual probabilities used to weight these CO<sub>2</sub> allowance prices.
- c. Provide a detailed explanation of the rationale for and source of the probabilities used to weight these CO<sub>2</sub> allowance prices.
- d. Provide a detailed explanation of the rationale for and source of any CO<sub>2</sub> allowance prices used in this analysis.

**Response:**

- a. RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> prices used in this analysis are provided in Attachment NEER-1-1(g).
- b. No probabilities were used for weighting the CO<sub>2</sub> prices.
- c. No probabilities were used for weighting the CO<sub>2</sub> prices.
- d. The analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 used regional carbon prices, including RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> prices, throughout the country to achieve the CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction targets for each region under EPA's Clean Power Plan by 2030.

Information Request CLF-1-10

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed description of the assumptions regarding existing and soon-to-be constructed pipeline capacity as follows:

- a. For each existing pipeline, provide a detailed explanation of the rationale for and source of assumptions regarding pipeline capacity in each scenario and year.
- b. For each soon-to-be constructed pipeline, provide a detailed explanation of the rationale for and source of assumptions regarding pipeline capacity in each scenario and year.

**Response:**

- a. For existing natural gas pipelines to the New England market, Black & Veatch considered both the estimates of operational capacity reported by PointLogic's Pipeline database into the region and the FERC index of customer data to define the capacities utilized in the GPCM model. For Iroquois Gas Transmission ("IGT"), Black & Veatch included only firm contracted capacity in the FERC index of customer data having receipt points outside of New England and delivery points within New England.

Pipeline System	Capacity (Bcf/d)
Algonquin Gas Transmission	1.36
Iroquois Gas Transmission	0.26
Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline	0.85
Portland Natural Gas Transmission System	0.17
Tennessee Gas Pipeline	1.41

The existing capacity to the New England market remains unchanged for each scenario in Exhibit-NG-JNC-3.

- b. For soon-to-be constructed pipelines, Black & Veatch used capacities based on each pipeline expansion project's website.

Pipeline Expansion Project	Capacity (Bcf/d)
Algonquin Incremental Market Project (AIM) <sup>1</sup>	0.34

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.spectraenergy.com/Operations/US-Natural-Gas-Operations/New-Projects-US/Algonquin-Incremental-Market-AIM-Project/>

Tennessee Connecticut Expansion <sup>2</sup>	0.07
Spectra Atlantic Bridge <sup>3</sup>	0.13

The soon-to-be constructed capacity to the New England market remains unchanged for each scenario in Exhibit-NG-JNC-3.

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<sup>2</sup> [http://www.kindermorgan.com/business/gas\\_pipelines/east/connecticut/](http://www.kindermorgan.com/business/gas_pipelines/east/connecticut/)

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.spectraenergy.com/Operations/US-Natural-Gas-Operations/New-Projects-US/Atlantic-Bridge/>

Information Request CLF-1-11

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed description of assumed LNG shipments to Everett as follows:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide LNG shipments to Everett assumed by month, year and scenario in billion cubic feet.
- b. Provide a detailed explanation of the rationale for and source for the assumptions regarding LNG shipments modeled in each scenario and year.
- c. Do the LNG shipments modeled include consideration of 2015/2016 historical LNG shipments? If so, in what way are 2015/2016 historical LNG shipments considered and included in the assumptions modeled?

**Response:**

- (a) Black & Veatch has provided in Attachment NEER-1-11(a), the Everett terminal sendout in MMcf/d for a given month. These volumes only include deliveries to Algonquin Gas Transmission, Tennessee Gas Pipeline, Boston Gas d/b/a National Grid and the Constellation Mystic Power generation facility.
- (b) Black & Veatch assumed that projected Everett LNG terminal sendout would be similar to recent historical observed send-out volumes. While the Everett terminal has a maximum daily vaporization quantity well above the assumed sendout volumes, the historical observed volumes are more reflective of the current attractiveness of the New England market as an LNG import destination market. The Everett LNG terminal sendout volumes are the same across the scenarios.
- (c) The analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 was performed in November and December of 2015. It considers historical LNG shipments only through October 2015.

Information Request CLF-1-12

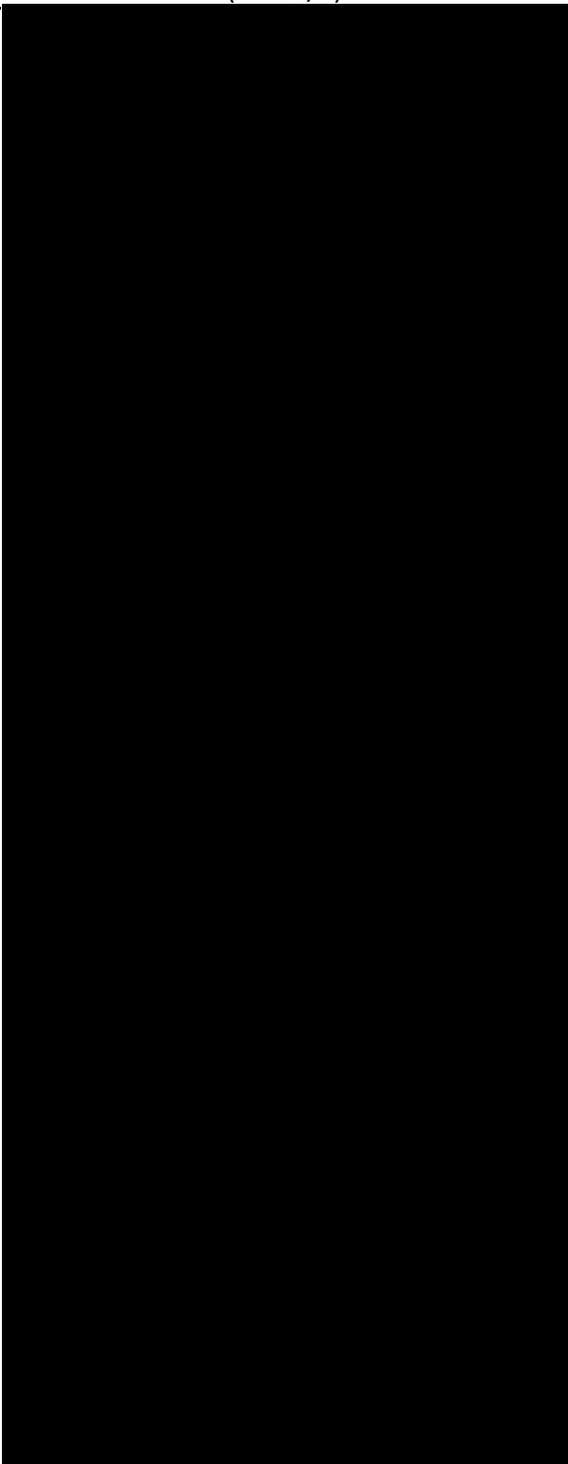
**Request:**

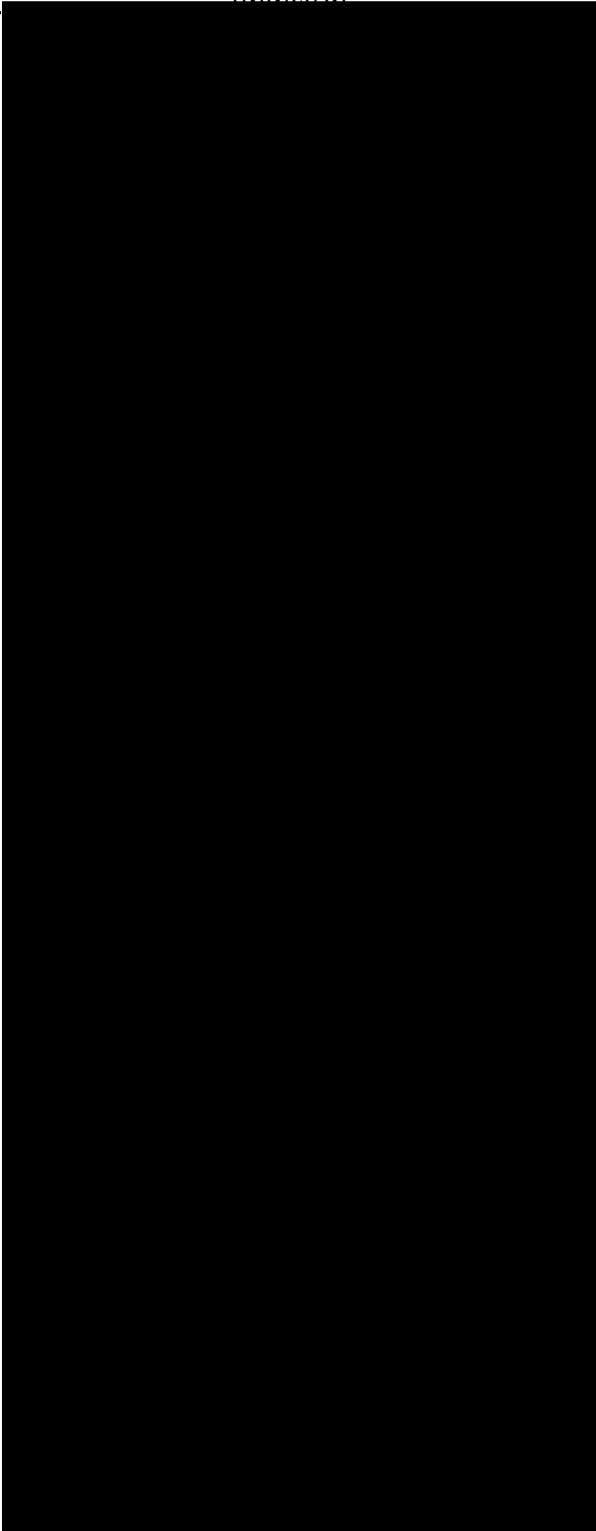
For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed description of assumed LNG storage and vaporization as follows:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide LNG storage and vaporization by facility, month, year and scenario. Please address storage owned and/or operated by the following types of entities: local distribution companies (LDCs); pipeline owners/developers; electric generators; gas and electric utilities; state agencies; any other potential owners or operators of storage and vaporization.
- b. Provide a detailed explanation of the rationale for and source for the assumptions regarding the LNG storage, liquefaction, and vaporization modeled in each scenario and year.

**Response:**

- a. For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, Black & Veatch has provided the LNG peak shaving storage activity related to the ANE project in Attachment CLF-1-12(a) (HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION). Black & Veatch modeled the ANE related LNG project at Acushnet as it provides a winter peaking supply to the ANE pipeline solution to serve power generation. Black & Veatch did not model individual LNG storage facilities within New England, as these facilities are typically and primarily utilized to serve local distribution customers. Black & Veatch did assume that additional pipeline capacity would be built to serve LDC load growth, which would serve a similar role to LNG storage during the peak winter months.
- b. For the proposed LNG storage and vaporization facility for ANE at Acushnet, Black & Veatch utilized the information provided in ANE RFP response for modeling purposes.

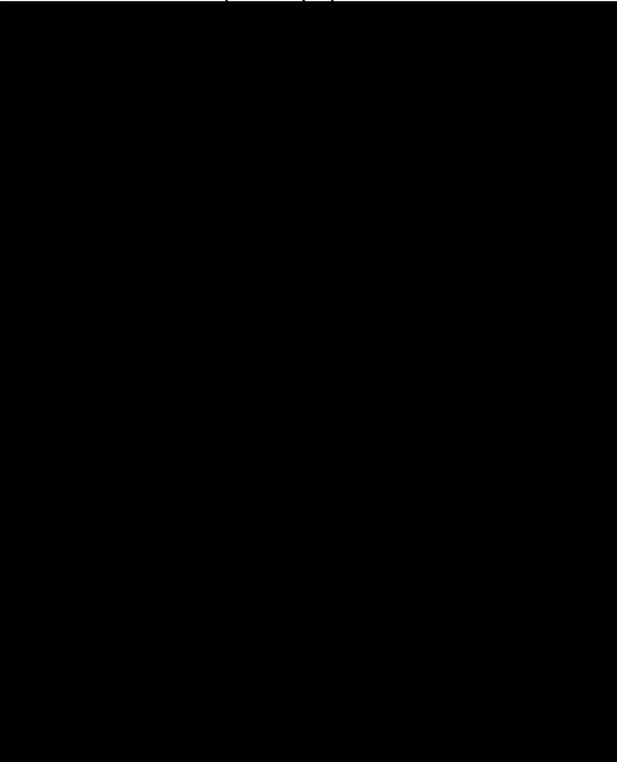
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Column	A	B
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74	Jun-2027	
75	Jul-2027	
76	Aug-2027	

Column	A	B
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78	Oct-2027	
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112	Aug-2030	
113	Sep-2030	
114	Oct-2030	
115	Nov-2030	

Column	A	B
Line #	Month-Year	Net Injection (+)/New Withdrawal (-) (MMcf/d)
116	Dec-2030	[REDACTED]
117	Jan-2031	
118	Feb-2031	
119	Mar-2031	
120	Apr-2031	
121	May-2031	
122	Jun-2031	
123	Jul-2031	
124	Aug-2031	
125	Sep-2031	
126	Oct-2031	
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154	Feb-2034	

Column	A	B
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193	May-2037	

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211	Nov-2038	
212	Dec-2038	

Information Request CLF-1-13

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please present the natural gas prices created as outputs and/or used as inputs for each of the models used (including ProMOD and GPCM) as follows:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide these natural gas prices at the finest level of geographical and temporal resolution available for each region or delivery site for which natural gas prices were differentiated in this analysis.
- b. Were daily natural gas prices modeled by or used in the Black and Veatch models used in this analysis? If so, provide these daily natural gas prices as daily values for each region or delivery site for which natural gas prices were differentiated in this analysis.
- c. Do the daily, monthly, or annual natural gas prices modeled include consideration of 2015/2016 natural gas prices? If so, in what way are 2015/2016 natural gas prices considered and included in the assumptions modeled? Please include a specific discussing of temporal resolution.

**Response:**

- a-b. The relevant regional monthly average gas prices utilized to the analysis have been previously provided and are a part of Exhibit NEER-1-3 and Attachment NEER-1-3(a).
- c. The analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 was performed in November and December of 2015. It considers historical gas prices through October 2015.

Information Request CLF-1-14

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please present the wholesale electricity prices created as outputs and/or used as inputs for each of the models used (including ProMOD and GPCM) as follows:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide these wholesale electricity prices at the finest level of geographical and temporal resolution available for each region or delivery site for which wholesale electricity prices were differentiated in this analysis.
- b. Were daily wholesale electricity prices modeled by or used in the Black and Veatch models used in this analysis? If so, provide these daily wholesale electricity prices as daily values for each region or delivery site for which wholesale electricity prices were differentiated in this analysis.
- c. Do the daily, monthly, or annual wholesale electricity prices modeled include consideration of 2015/2016 natural gas prices? If so, in what way are 2015/2016 natural gas prices considered and included in the assumptions modeled? Please include a specific discussing of temporal resolution.

**Response:**

- a-b. Monthly electric prices have been previously provided and are a part of Exhibit NEER-1-1 and Attachment NEER-1-1(a).
- c. The analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 was performed in November and December of 2015. It considers historical gas prices through October 2015.

Information Request CLF-1-15

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3 please provide a detailed description of the assumptions used to model ISO-NE's Winter Reliability program as follows:

- a. What specific assumptions and methodology are used to represent the Winter Reliability program in ProMOD? In this description please address whether and in what way dual-fuel units are assumed to be subject to air quality constraints, and how and in what way the model selects the fuel used in a given dual fuel unit in a particular scenario and year?
- b. What specific assumptions and methodology are used to represent the Winter Reliability program in GPCM? In this description please address whether and in what way dual-fuel units are assumed to be subject to air quality constraints, and how and in what way the model selects the fuel used in a given dual fuel unit in a particular scenario and year?

**Response:**

a-b. Due to the upcoming phase out of ISO-NE's Winter Reliability program, Black & Veatch did not use any assumptions from ISO-NE's Winter Reliability program.

Information Request CLF-1-16

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed description of the assumptions used to model ISO-NE's Pay for Performance program as follows:

- a. What specific assumptions and methodology are used to represent the Pay for Performance program in ProMOD? In this description please address how fines are modeled by scenario and year.
- b. What specific assumptions and methodology are used to represent the Pay for Performance program in GPCM? In this description please address how fines are modeled by scenario and year.

**Response:**

- a. The Pay for Performance program is not explicitly modeled within the production cost model ProMod, which focuses on energy and operating reserve markets. The Pay for Performance model is a capacity payment based performance model where generators receive payments, or pay penalties, for assumed performance under scarcity conditions in the energy market. Without having the benefit of how the Pay for Performance program is performing with respect to generator availability improvement, Black & Veatch used industry average forced outage rates. From a modeling perspective Black & Veatch has assumed that these generators will perform as expected under scarcity conditions.
- b. The Pay for Performance program was not explicitly modeled in GPCM.

Information Request CLF-1-17

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed description of the specific methodology used to forecast electric load growth as follows:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide hourly, monthly, and annual electric demand by sector (including electricity demand from residential, commercial, industrial, and transportation) for each year analyzed for each state in New England and New York, both inclusive and exclusive of electric-sector energy efficiency in MWh.
- b. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide the specific assumptions made regarding future electric peak load and annual electric demand as a result of changes in vehicle electrification for each year analyzed.
- c. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide the specific assumptions made regarding future electric peak load and annual electric demand as a result of increased electrification of heating (i.e., from new incremental heat pump units) and water heating (i.e., from new incremental electric water heating units) for each year analyzed.
- d. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide the specific assumptions made regarding in future winter peak demand for electricity by each sector for each state for each year analyzed.

**Response:**

- a-d. Black & Veatch used the ISO-NE 2015 CELT forecast for electric load growth. More information regarding the electric load forecast has been previously provided in Exhibits NEER-1-1 and NEER-1-5, with monthly and annual demand by zone provided in Attachment NEER-1-1(f).

Information Request CLF-1-18

**Request:**

For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, please provide a detailed description of the specific methodology used to forecast end-use natural gas demand in the residential, commercial, industrial, and transportation sectors as follows:

- a. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide hourly, monthly, and annual end-use natural gas demand by sector (including demand from residential, commercial, industrial, and transportation) for each year analyzed for each state in New England, both inclusive and exclusive of end-use energy efficiency in billion cubic feet.
- b. In machine-readable, spreadsheet form provide the specific assumptions made regarding in future winter peak demand for end-use natural gas by each sector for each state for each year analyzed.

**Response:**

- a. For the analysis reported in Exhibit NG-JNC-3, Black & Veatch's forecast of end use natural gas demand is based in part on the latest long-term supply and demand resource plans developed by the New England LDCs and Energy Information Administration ("EIA") consumption and Form 176 data, which provides annual customer counts, gas sales and transported quantities. For residential and commercial demand beyond the LDC forecasts, Black & Veatch projected customer counts based on population growth expectations, observed historical customer growth and potential oil to gas conversions. Customer counts and gas use per customer were then applied to project gas consumption. For industrial demand, Black & Veatch assumed that it would remain relatively flat over the analysis period.

Black & Veatch did not make any assumptions regarding end-use energy efficiency beyond what is stated in the long-term supply and demand resource plans developed by the New England LDCs.

- b. Black & Veatch has provided in Attachment CLF 1-18(a) (HIGHLY SENSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION), the projected monthly gas demand by sector used in the analysis. The monthly profile was developed using EIA historical consumption data.

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