Board Staff Interrogatories

2011 IRM3 Electricity Distribution Rates Middlesex Power Distribution Corporation – Newbury ("Middlesex Power – Newbury") EB-2010-0275

1. Ref: 2011 IRM Rate Generator Model, Sheet 4.1 Current Rates and Charges

Sheet C4.1 Current Rates & Charges General is reproduced below.

CURRENT MONTHLY RATES AND CHARGES

Residential

Monthly Rates and Charges - Delivery Component

Service Charge Service Charge Smart Meters Distribution Volumetric Rate Low Voltage Volumetric Rate Distribution Volumetric Regulatory Asset Recovery – effective until April 30, 2013 Retail Transmission Rate – Network Service Rate Retail Transmission Rate – Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	\$ \$ \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh \$/kWh	11.90 1.00 0.0120 0.0043 0.0064 0.0060 0.0054
Monthly Rates and Charges - Regulatory Component		
Wholesale Market Service Rate Rural Rate Protection Charge Standard Supply Service – Administrative Charge (if applicable)	\$/kWh \$/kWh \$	0.0052 0.0013 0.25

The descriptions for all rate classes are not identical to Middlesex Power - Newbury's current Tariff sheet:

a) If the descriptions provided are correct, please provide evidence supporting the new descriptions. If the descriptions are incorrect, please re-file sheet C4.1 with the correct descriptions and Board staff will make the necessary changes to the model. -2-

2. Ref: 2011 Transmission Service Rates ("RTSR") Adjustment Workform Sheet B1.2 – 2009 Distributor Billing Determinants is reproduced below.

2009 Distributor Billing Determinants

Enter the most recently reported RRR billing deter	minants]				
Loss Adjusted Metered kWh	Yes					
Loss Adjusted Metered kW	No					
Rate Class	Vol Metric	Metered kWh A	Metered kW B	Applicable Loss Factor C	Load Factor D = A / (B * 730)	Loss Adjusted Billed kWh E = A * C
Residential General Service Less Than 50 kW General Service 50 to 4,999 kW Street Lighting	kWh kWh kW kW	1,466,596 495,321 1,585,480 61,374	0 0 3,837 163	1.0580 1.0580 1.0580 1.0580	56.63% 51.61%	1,551,659 524,050 1,677,438 64,934
Total		3,608,771	4,000			3,818,080

- a) Please explain why the billing determinants in Columns A and B (Metered kWh and Metered kW) are not identical with the values reported in the 2009 RRR filing 2.1.5 customer demand and revenue filing.
- b) If Middlesex Power Newbury is of the view that the data included in the application is more appropriate to use, please explain why. If not, please refile Sheet B1.2 with the correct data and Board staff will make the necessary changes to the model.

3. Ref: 2011 Transmission Service Rates ("RTSR") Adjustment Workform

Sheet B1.3 – Uniform Transmission and Hydro One Sub-Transmission Rates is reproduced below.

Uniform Transmission and Hydro One Sub-Transmission Rates

			ive May 1, 2008		ive May 1, 2009		ive May 1, 2010		ive May 1, 2011
Rate Description	Vol Metric	I	Rate	F	Rate	I	Rate	F	Rate
Network Service Rate	kW	\$	2.01	\$	2.24	\$	2.65	\$	2.65
Line Connection Service Rate	kW	\$	0.50	\$	0.60	\$	0.64	\$	0.64
Transformation Connection Service Rate	kW	\$	1.38	\$	1.39	\$	1.50	\$	1.50
Both Line and Transformation Connection Service Rate	kW	\$	1.88	\$	1.99	\$	2.14	\$	2.14

Sheet C1.1 – Historical Wholesale Transmission is reproduced below.

2009 Historical Wholesale Transmission

Enter billing detail for wholesale transmission for the same reporting period as the billing determinants on sheet B1.2.

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	N	etwork		Line Co	onnec	tion	Line Tra	Total Line				
Month	Units Billed	Units Billed Rate Amount			Units Billed Rate Amount				Amount	Amount		
January	683	\$2.01	\$ 1,373		\$-		683	\$1.38	\$ 943	\$	943	
February	639	\$2.01	\$ 1,284		\$-		639	\$1.38	\$ 882	\$	882	
March	569	\$2.01	\$ 1,144		\$-		569	\$1.38	\$ 785	\$	785	
April	573	\$2.01	\$ 1,152		\$-		573	\$1.38	\$ 791	\$	791	
May	535	\$2.05	\$ 1,095		\$-		535	\$1.38	\$ 739	\$	739	
June	756	\$2.24	\$ 1,693		\$-		756	\$1.39	\$ 1,051	\$	1,051	
July	685	\$2.24	\$ 1,534		\$-		685	\$1.39	\$ 952	\$	952	
August	738	\$2.24	\$ 1,653		\$-		738	\$1.39	\$ 1,026	\$	1,026	
September	563	\$2.24	\$ 1,261		\$-		563	\$1.39	\$ 783	\$	783	
October	497	\$2.24	\$ 1,113		\$-		497	\$1.39	\$ 691	\$	691	
November	562	\$2.24	\$ 1,259		\$-		562	\$1.39	\$ 781	\$	781	
December	634	\$2.24	\$ 1,420		\$-		634	\$1.39	\$ 881	\$	881	
Total	7,434	\$2.15	\$15,982	-	\$-	\$ -	7,434	\$1.39	\$10,304	\$	10,304	

a) Please explain the discrepancies between the Line Connection Service Rate recorded on Sheet B1.3 and those shown on Sheet C1.1. If the data is incorrect, please re-file sheet C1.1 with the correct data and Board staff will make the necessary changes to the model.

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4. Ref: 2011 Deferral and Variance Account Adjustment Workform

Sheet B1.3 Rate Class and Billing Determinants

Rate Class and Billing Determinants

					2009 Audi	ited RRR			
Rate	Group	Rate Class	Fixed Metric	Vol Metric	Metered kWh	Metered kW	E	Billed kWh for Non-RPP customers	1590 Recovery Share Proportion 1
R	ES	Residential	Customer	kWh	1,466,596			270,655	44.5%
GSI	LT50	General Service Less Than 50 kW	Customer	kWh	495,321			28,834	15.8%
GSC	GT50	General Service 50 to 4,999 kW	Customer	kW	1,585,480	3,837		489,640	38.7%
5	SL	Street Lighting	Connection	kW	61,374	163			1.1%

- a) Please explain why the billing determinants for the Metered kWh and Metered kW (Columns J & K) are not identical with the value reported in the 2009 RRR filing 2.1.5 customer demand and revenue filing.
- b) If the data provided is correct, please provide evidence supporting the data. If the data is incorrect, please re-file sheet B1.3 with the correct data and Board staff will make the necessary changes to the model.

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5. Ref: 2011 IRM Smart Meter Rate Calculation Workform

Below is Sheet 5 of the Smart Meter Rate Calculation Workform:

Sheet 5. PILs

PILs Calculation

		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		2011	Later
INCOME TAX	Αu	dited Actual	Aud	lited Actual	Aι	dited Actual	A	udited Actual		Forecasted		Forecasted	Forecasted
Net Income	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	623.10	\$	1,096.66	\$	-	\$ -
Amortization	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,085.53	\$	2,171.05	\$	-	\$ -
CCA - Smart Meters	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	-\$	1,302.63	-\$	2,501.05	-\$	2,300.97	\$ -
CCA - Computers	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
CCA - Other Equipment	\$	-	\$	-	\$		\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$
Change in taxable income	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	405.99	\$	766.66	-\$	2,300.97	\$ -
Tax Rate (3. LDC Assumptions and Data)		36.12%		36.12%		33.50%		33.00%		31.00%		28.25%	26.25%
Income Taxes Payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	133.98	\$	237.67	-\$	650.02	\$ -

a) Please explain why there is no input under "2011 Forecasted" Net Income (Cell H8) and Amortization (Cell H9). If this is an omission, please provide the correct inputs and refile the Smart Meter Rate Calculation model.