

**Board Staff Interrogatories
EB-2012-0100/EB-2012-0211**

Recovery from Residential and GS <50 kW Customers

1. Ref: EDA Evidence, Page 1, lines 12-15

The EDA supports the SME proposal to recover the SME costs from Residential and GS <50 kW customers, as “these are the end-use customer classes that utilize smart meters and the MDM/R”. Board staff notes that certain LDCs have installed smart meters for GS >50 kW customers. It is Board staff’s understanding that the MDM/R is not used for any customers billed by demand.

- a) Please confirm whether Board staff’s understanding is correct i.e. that no GS>50 kW customers are billed using the MDM/R. If this understanding is not correct, please explain the circumstances for billing any GS > 50kW through the MDM/R, how many customers would be involved and how this would affect the proposed recovery mechanism.

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2. Ref: EDA Evidence, Page 2, lines 25 to 28

The EDA states that it has consulted with its members regarding its proposal to recover SME costs, however some LDCs may wish to recover the costs in a manner different from that proposed.

- a) To what extent has the EDA consulted with its members on the issue of smart meter charge recovery?
- b) What other proposals were considered in the course of EDA’s consultations with its members?
- c) How many of EDA’s members are in agreement with the proposal as submitted?
- d) How many of EDA’s members are not in agreement with the proposal as submitted?
- e) Is the EDA aware of other proposals that may be submitted in the course of this proceeding, or is it expected that other LDCs may bring forth their own proposals through their own rate proceedings?