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E.L.K. Energy Inc. (E.L.K.)
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Question #1

Reference: AMPCO#1, AMPCO #3, AMPCO#17, SEC #14

AMPCO seeks to better understand E.L.K.'s staffing related to Regulatory Affairs & the rationale for establishing the new Manager of Finance & Regulatory Affairs position.

- a) Please explain why the Director, Finance & Regulatory Affairs position was not backfilled to cover the maternity leave instead of creating a new Manager position.
- b) The response to SEC #14 indicates the Director, Finance & Regulatory Affairs position is vacant effective April 2012 and being reviewed. Please explain the scope of the review being conducted and the potential options being considered.
- c) Please confirm the funding for the Manager & Director positions are included in the 2012 budget.

Question #2

Reference: AMPCO #8

The response to AMPCO #8 indicates the work in 2012 for account #1940 is for 3 truck grounds, various hand tools as required, cable grips, linkit gun and ground mats not purchased in 2011 and therefore budgeted in 2012.

- a) Please confirm if the above items were purchased in 2012.

Question #3

Reference: AMPCO #20

E.L.K. indicates in its response to AMPCO #20 that it does not believe the revised 2012 cost allocation study constitutes a significant improvement over the 2006 cost allocation informational filing.

- a) Please explain more fully why E.L.K. does not view the revised cost allocation study is a significant improvement over 2006.

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- b) What improvements does E.L.K. suggest be made to the study that would result in significant improvements.
- c) Please comment on the modelling experience of E.L.K.'s staff in 2012 compared to 2006.

Question #4

Reference: EnWin #24

E.L.K. indicates it does not have live monitoring of outages and other meter events through the ODS after regular business hours.

- a) Please confirm when & how E.L.K. is informed of outages and how it responds to and manages outages after regular business hours.