

**EB-2012-0459 : Written Responses to Questions provided in advance of
January 2014 Technical Conference
Panel #3 (Volumes/O&M Forecasts)**

Board Staff Written Questions

- Nothing for the Volumes/O&M Forecasts panel

VECC Written Questions

- Nothing for the Volumes/O&M Forecasts panel

Energy Probe Written Questions

- Questions 9, 11 and 12 to be addressed orally by the Volumes/O&M Forecasts panel
- Response to questions 8 and 10 on the following page

SEC Written Questions

- Questions 36 and 38 to 43 to be addressed by Undertaking

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Energy Probe Technical Conference Question # 10

Ref: I.C24.EGDI.EP.27 & Exhibit C2, Tab 1, Schedule 2

Given that the most recent year of actual data now available is for 2013, please update Table 10 in Exhibit C2, Tab 1, Schedule 2 to reflect the forecasts that would result from the methodologies shown for each region.

Response:

Although 2013 actual data are available, they cannot be included in the calculations as the forecast methodology employs a 2-year hold out period (i.e., to forecast 2014, actuals to 2012 are used). However, for purposes of this request:

<u>For Technical Conference Response only</u>			
	2014 Proposed Degree Day Methodology Actuals to 2013	Environment Canada Degree Days*	Gas Supply Degree Days*
Central	50% 10-yr MA & 50% 20-yr Trend	3,583	3,546
Eastern	de Bever with Trend	4,289	4,257
Niagara	10-year Moving Average	3,414	3,376
<i>*Forecasts are generated one year ahead for purposes of the response only.</i>			

Table 10 at Exhibit C2, Tab 1, Schedule 2 summarizes the Company's proposed methodologies for the Customized IR period, and the resulting forecasts for 2014. If we were to update the ranking analysis with the latest actual data for all three regions using the same process detailed in the schedule indicated, the results confirm that no change is warranted to the methodologies selected. The inclusion of 2013 actual data continues to uphold the performance of the proposed methodologies.

As 2013 actual data are not included in the calculations for the 2014 forecast, forecasts contained in Table 10 at Exhibit C2, Tab 1, Schedule 2 are similarly unchanged.