



2020 IRM Application

Responses to Staff Questions

Forgone Revenue Model

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EXCEL FILE ATTACHMENTS

- A. Entegrus – Main Forgone Revenue Model

QUESTION 1

Ref: COVID-19 Forgone Revenue Rate Rider Model, Tab 9 – Bill Impacts

Please update the typical Residential consumption from the current 700 kWh entered to 750 kWh.

Response

Entegrus has included the Residential consumption to 750 kWh in submitted Excel file named "Entegrus_ForgoneRevenueModel_20200918.xlsx".

QUESTION 2

Ref: COVID-19 Forgone Revenue Rate Rider Model, Tab 3 – Billing Determinants

For the General Service <50 kW rate class, the monthly average customer numbers entered by Entegrus Powerlines is 5,304. To assess the reasonability of this forecast, OEB staff referenced the 2019 customer numbers data filed as part of RRR 2.1.2 for the Main rate zone. The number of customers filed in the RRR is 3,944.

Similarly, for the General Service 50 to 4,999 kW rate class, the monthly average number of customers entered is 901. The 2019 customer numbers filed as part of 2.1.1 for the Main rate zone is 422.

- a) Please provide an explanation for the higher number of customers entered in the model.
- b) Please confirm that the numbers entered do not include the St. Thomas rate zone.
- c) If any changes are required, please make them to the updated model as provided in Staff-Question-1.

Response

- a) Upon review, Entegrus has found a formula error in its data collection and has updated the Forgone revenue model with revised the data. These customer counts better align with the previously submitted RRR numbers above.
- b) Confirmed.
- c) Entegrus has included the above customer count updates in the submitted Excel file named “Entegrus_ForgoneRevenueModel_20200918.xlsx”.

QUESTION 3

Ref: COVID-19 Forgone Revenue Rate Rider Model, Tab 3 – Billing Determinants

For the Sentinel Lighting rate class, the total kW entered for the 6-month recovery period of November 2020 to April 2021 by Entegrus Powerlines is 1,149. To assess the reasonability of this forecast, OEB staff referenced the 2019 data filed as part of RRR 2.1.5 for the Main rate zone. The figure reported in the 2019 RRR is 1,053, which is an annual number.

- a) Please explain why the two numbers are relatively close, given that one is to represent 6-months of data and one is an annualized number.
- b) Please explain why there is no consumption input for the embedded rate class.
- c) If any changes are required, please make them to the updated model as provided in Staff-Question-1.

Response

- a) Upon review in preparation for the Forgone Revenue calculation, Entegrus noted an inadvertent calculation error in the data used for its RRR 2.1.5 volumetric data submission of Sentinel Lights' kW. The error has been corrected and the kW consumption utilized in the Forgone Revenue model is correct.
- b) Entegrus' Embedded Distribution rate class is designed to collect distribution revenue via only the monthly fixed charge and does not have an approved volumetric distribution charge. Therefore, Entegrus has not included consumption data for the Embedded Distribution rate class since it will not impact the calculation of forgone revenue.
- c) Not applicable.