



2023 IRM Application

Responses to Staff Questions

EB-2022-0026

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QUESTION 1

Reference: Staff Question 1

- 1) Rate Generator Model

Question: Please reconcile the discrepancy in the OEB Approved Rate base and OEB Approved Regulatory Taxable Income 2016 (Tab 8. STS – Tax Change, Cell H16 and H18) at ref 1) for both rate zones as per the 2016 COS Decision/ 2022 Rate Generator Model. Please update the models accordingly.

Response

The OEB Approved Rate base per the 2016 COS Decision/2022 Rate Generator is \$115,691,585. Management has reviewed and identified that a typographical error occurred when the rate base was entered into the 2023 Rate Generator Models (as \$116,141,585). Entegrus will amend this input and provide updated models. It is noted that this amendment will not impact tax sharing (which remains at nil for both rate zones).

QUESTION 2

Reference: Staff Question 2

- 1) Rate Generator Model

Question: Please clarify how 1595 Recovery Proportion is estimated in Tab 4. Billing Det. For Def-Var at ref 1) for both rate zones and provide reference to any previous filing.

Response

As noted in Section 6.3.6 of the Manager’s Summary, Entegrus – Main proposes to dispose of the residual balance based on the original allocations from the 2018 IRM rate application (EB-2017-0033). The 1595 Recovery Proportion is estimated using the % of Total kWh from “Tab 5. Allocating Def-Var Balances” of the “dec_rate order_Entegrus_IRM Model_20180322” Excel file.

As noted in Section 7.3.6 of the Manager’s Summary, Entegrus – St. Thomas proposes to dispose of the residual balance based on the original allocations from the 2019 IRM rate application (EB-2018-0024). The 1595 Recovery Proportion is estimated using the % of Total kWh from “Tab 5. Allocating Def-Var Balances” of the “Entegrus-STT_Rate Generator_20181122_updated MA” Excel file.

QUESTION 3

Reference: Staff Question 3

- 1) 2023 GA Analysis Workform – MAIN
- 2) 2023 GA Analysis Workform - STT

Question: At ref 1) Tab ‘GA 2020’ and ‘GA 2021’ and at ref 2) Tab ‘GA 2021’, the expected GA volume variance is typically a small variance. Upon reviewing Account 4707 in the RRR filing, OEB staff noted a \$0 balance. Can you confirm this and explain the variance?

Response

Entegrus manages Global Adjustment (“GA”) expenditures through a series of sub-accounts in its GL system. The GA sub-account balances roll up to GL Account 4705 in the Trial Balance. Going forward, Entegrus will remap the GA charges to Account 4707.

QUESTION 4

Reference: Staff Question 4

- 1) Rate Generator Model – MAIN
- 2) Account 1595 Analysis Workform

Question: For the Main rate zone, the residual balance in Account 1595 is \$304,481 as noted at ref 1) Tab '3. Continuity Schedule'. As part of the review, OEB staff has attached ref 2), the Account 1595 Analysis Workform to be completed for Entegrus Main. Please submit the completed workform as part of your responses.

Response

The completed 1595 Workform has been filed. As noted in Section 6.3.6 of the Manager's Summary, the residual balance is primarily due to volumetric variances with respect to customer migration from Class B to Class A in 2017.

The Unreconciled Difference of \$20,477 in the Entegrus - MAIN 1595 Workform primarily relates to a price variance due to rounding the GA rate rider.

QUESTION 5

Reference: Staff Question 5

- 1) Excel LRAMVA Workform, Tab 3 Distribution Rates

Question: Please confirm if the STEI – Sentinel rate for 2020 under EB-2020-0015 should read \$6.0223. Per the Decision and Rate Order, the rate is \$6.2233. If this was a typographical error, please update the LRAMVA Workform accordingly.

Response

A typographical error occurred when the STEI Sentinel rate was input in the Workform. The rate should have been entered as \$6.2233. Entegrus proposes that since there is no impact on the LRAMVA calculation (i.e., there was no LRAMVA claimed for the STEI Sentinel Rate Class), the LRAMVA Workform does not require update.

QUESTION 6

Reference: Staff Question 6

- 1) Excel LRAMVA Workform, Tab 5 2015-2027 LRAM

Questions:

2016

- a) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-b for the Save on Energy Retrofit program (row 276 of Tab 5 for years 2016 to 2025).
 - i. Per the note in cell C276, the savings reported covers both rate zones (Main and STEI) in the P&C report. However, the save on energy retrofit program savings have already been captured under row 268 and row 271 for STEI, and row 253 and row 256 for Main. Please confirm why an additional combined savings is reported under row 276.

2017

- b) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-c for the Save on Energy Coupon program (row 500 of Tab 5 for years 2017 to 2019).
 - i. Per the note in cell C500, the savings reported covers both rate zones (Main and STEI) in the P&C report. However, the save on energy coupon program savings have already been captured under row 441 for Main and row 475 for STEI. Please confirm why an additional combined savings is reported under row 500.
- c) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-c for the Save on Energy Retrofit program (row 510 of Tab 5 for years 2017 to 2025).
 - i. Per the note in cell C510, the savings reported covers both rate zones (Main and STEI) in the P&C report. However, the Save on Energy Retrofit program savings have already been captured under row 454 and row 457 for Main, and row 488 for STEI. Please confirm why an additional combined savings is reported under row 510.

- d) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-c for the Save on Energy Small Business Lighting program (row 513 of Tab 5 for years 2017 to 2025).
- i. Per the note in cell C513, the savings reported covers both rate zones (Main and STEI) in the P&C report. However, the Save on Energy Small Business Lighting program savings have already been captured under row 460 for Main. Please confirm why combined savings is reported under row 513.

2018

- e) Please provide the June 2019 IESO Value-Added Services Report (increment) referenced under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Heating and Cooling program to verify the adjustment to 2018 savings reported under row 712
- f) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Instant Discount program (row 714 of Tab 5 for years 2018, 2019 and 2025)
- g) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Home Assistance program (row 720 of Tab 5 for years 2018 and 2019)
- h) Please provide the Post P&C Report referenced under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy New Construction program to verify the adjustment to 2018 savings reported under row 724
- i) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Retrofit program (row 730, row 731 and row 733 of Tab 5 for years 2018 to 2025)

- j) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Small Business Lighting program (row 736 and row 737 of Tab 5 for years 2018 to 2025)
- k) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy High Performance New Construction program (row 739 of Tab 5 for years 2018 and 2019)
- l) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Business Refrigeration program (row 742 of Tab 5 for years 2021 to 2025)
- m) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the savings reported under Table 5-d for the Save on Energy Business Process and System Upgrades program (row 745 of Tab 5 for years 2018 to 2025)

2019

- n) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the true up savings reported under Table 5-e for the Save on Energy New Construction program (row 914 of Tab 5 for years 2019 to 2025)
- o) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the true up savings reported under Table 5-e for the Save on Energy Retrofit program (row 924 of Tab 5 for years 2019 to 2025). Only the verified savings of 15,446 can be tied to the P&C report.
- p) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the verified and true up savings reported under Table 5-e for the Save on Energy Small Business Lighting program (row 926 and row 927 of Tab 5 for years 2019 to 2025). Only the 2020 verified savings of 52,044 can be tied to the P&C report.

- q) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie true up savings reported under Table 5-e for the Save on Energy High Performance New Construction program (row 930 of Tab 5 for years 2019 to 2025)
- r) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the true up savings reported under Table 5-e for the Save on Energy Process & Systems Upgrade program (row 936 of Tab 5 for years 2019 to 2025)
- s) Please verify which report, tabs and cell references Entegrus is able to tie the verified and true up savings reported under Table 5-e for the Business Refrigeration Local program (row 945 and row 946 of Tab 5 for years 2019 to 2025). Only verified savings of 105,685 from 2019-2021 can be tied to the P&C report.

Response

2016

- a) The results in Row 276 are from the Participation and Cost (“P&C”) Report. The 2016 value (D276) is from Entegrus P&C/LDC Progress/AY15 and the 2020 value is from Entegrus P&C/LDC Progress/CC15. Results between 2016 and 2020 are linearly interpolated. Results after 2020 are based on the same loss of persistence seen in 2016 for the Retrofit program in the 2017 verified results report. These are “unverified” results from the P&C Report for Entegrus (as a whole) not previously captured in the 2017 Final Results reports. Results reported in rows 253, 256, 268 and 271 are from the 2017 Final Results reports for Entegrus and St. Thomas. Results for the two rate zones were reported separately in 2018.

2017

- b) Row 500, as noted in D500, refers to “unverified” results in the P&C report at LDC Progress/BB5. Persistence in 2018 and 2019 may differ from estimates, however, this does not affect the LRAMVA results considering there are no claims associated with the Residential rate class.

- c) Row 510, as noted in C10, is the “unverified” results of 961,302 for 2017. This value is from the Entegrus P&C Report/LDC Progress/BB15. The 2020 value is on that same tab at CF15. As the formulas in E510 to G510, the intermediary values between 2017 and 2020 are linearly interpolated. The values from 2021 to 2025 use the same loss of persistence as seen in the 2017 final results for that program.
- d) As noted in C513, these are “unverified” results for 2017 that tie to the P&C Report at LDC Progress/BB18 for 2017 and CF18 for persistence in 2020. Values in other years are calculated as described in c) above for the Retrofit program: linear interpolation between 2017 and 2020 and loss of persistence at the same rate as seen in the 2017 final results for 2021 and later.

2018

- e) The report has been uploaded as: “June 2019 IESO Value-Added Services Report_Entegrus Powerlines Inc.xlsx.” Please note that this value does not affect the LRAMVA claim.
- f) For questions f), g), and h) the data comes from column BD of the Entegrus P&C report. The savings were calculated in the same manner as described in response to c) above. Please note, these results do not impact the LRAMVA claim as there is no volumetric rate for the Residential rate class.
- g) See response to f) above.
- h) See response to f) above.
- i) The savings reported under Table 5-d tie to the Entegrus P&C report, already filed at LDC Progress/BD15. The other years were calculated as described above under item c) above.

- j) Row 736 is from the Entegrus P&C report, already filed at LDC Progress/BD15. The other years were calculated as described above under item c) above. Row 737 is from Entegrus' program results. Please see Q85 of the 2018 Project Data tab in the file "Entegrus 2018-2019 project details.xlsx" with persistence calculated based on loss of persistence rate seen for that program in the final 2017 verified results.
- k) The savings tie to the Entegrus P&C report at LDC Progress/BD22. The other years were calculated as described above in c) above.
- l) The savings tie to P&C report at LDC Progress/BD19. The persistence was calculated as described in c) above. There were no BRI results for Entegrus in 2017, therefore, persistence from the provincial results were used.
- m) The savings are from Entegrus' program results. Details of the projects have been uploaded on the 2018 Project Data Tab of: "Entegrus 2018-2019 project details.xlsx."

2019

- n) For questions n), o), p), q), r), and s), the details of the 2019 projects were filed as part of EB-2021-0017 on Tab 3a of the LRAMVA Workform. (File name: Entegrus_LRAMVA_20210818.xlsx.) The tab has also been reproduced in the file: "Entegrus 2018-2019 project details.xlsx."
- o) See response to n) above.
- p) See response to n) above.
- q) See response to n) above.
- r) See response to n) above.

s) See response to n) above.