



# 2023 IRM Application

## Responses to Staff Questions

EB-2022-0026

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## QUESTION 1

### Reference: Staff Question 1

- 1) 1595 Analysis Workform

**Question:** OEB staff notes that at ref 1) tab '1595 2018', forecasted vs billed consumption variance to be 117,874,559 kWh (cell I99). Can Entegrus explain the driver of this variance for the GS 50 to 4,999 kW rate class?



### Response

The 2018 forecasted volumes for the Global Adjustment ("GA") Rate Rider were based on the 2016 billed GA volumes. As noted in Section 6.3.6 of the Manager's Summary, there was a significant customer migration from Class B to Class A in 2017 (17 customers in total). Accordingly, the 2018 billed volumes for Class B Non-RPP customers in the GS 50 to 4,999 kW rate class were significantly lower than forecasted volumes.

## QUESTION 2

### Reference: Staff Question 2

- 1) Rate Generator Model – Tab 17, 19

**Question:** OEB staff has updated the Smart Meter Entity Charge to \$0.42 in Tab 17 and reflected in Tab 19. Please confirm this update in the attached model.

### Response

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Entegrus confirms the Smart Meter Entity Charge has been updated to \$0.42 in the MAIN and STT models updated by OEB staff.

## QUESTION 3

### Reference: Staff Question 3

- 1) 2023 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tab 3

### Question:

- a) For the Main rate zone, please explain why the net transaction for Account 1580 RSVA – Wholesale Market Service Charge has changed significantly from a credit of (\$404,065) in 2020 (cell AT23) to a debit of \$705,379 in 2021 (cell BD23)
- b) For the Main rate zone, please explain why the net transaction for Account 1584 RSVA – Retail Transmission Network Charge has increased significantly from \$ 260,925.45 in 2020 (cell AT26) to \$ 1,324,234.7 in 2021 (cell BD26)

## Response

- a) The net transaction for MAIN Account 1580 RSVA – Wholesale Market Service Charge changed from a credit of (\$404,065) in 2020 to a debit of \$705,379 in 2021 as a result of higher IESO charges billed to Entegrus. The total IESO charges billed to Entegrus in 2020 were approximately \$3.4M compared to \$4.6M in 2021. There was no offsetting revenue increase in 2021 given that the 2021 Wholesale Market Service remained at the same level as 2020 (EB-2020-0276).
- b) The increase in the Transmission Network Charge debit is primarily driven by the difference between the IESO Network Transmission rate that was built into the 2021 IRM EB-2020-0015 (\$3.92/kW) and the actual rate paid to the IESO (\$4.67/kW from January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, and \$4.91/kW from July 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021). Comparatively, in Entegrus' 2020 IRM Application (EB-2019-0030), the IESO Network Transmission rate built into the 2020 IRM was \$3.83/kW and the actual IESO rate paid in 2020 was \$3.93/kW (a difference of only \$0.09 between IRM and actual rate).

## QUESTION 4

### Reference: Staff Question 4

- 1) 2023 IRM Rate Generator Model, Tab 3
- 2) 2022 IRM Rate Generator Model, Decision and Rate Order, Tab 3

### Question:

- a) For the STT rate zone, please explain why the net transaction for Account 1584 RSVA – Retail Transmission Network Charge has changed significantly from \$ 20,585.36 in 2020 (cell BD26 in Reference 2) to \$ 528,109 in 2021 (cell BD26 in Reference 1).

## Response

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- a) See response to Question 3 b) above. The same Transmission Network charges were applicable to both rate zones.