

Westario Power Inc.
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Staff Question-1

Ref: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3 - Continuity Schedule

Preamble:

On September 11, 2025, the OEB published the 2025 Quarter 4 prescribed accounting interest rates applicable to the carrying charges of deferral, variance and construction work in progress (CWIP) accounts of natural gas utilities, electricity distributors and other rate-regulated entities.

Question(s):

- a) Please confirm that Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) reflects the Q4 2025 OEB-prescribed interest rate of 2.91%. If not, please update Tab 3, as necessary.

Staff Question-2

Ref: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3 – Continuity Schedule, Rows 32-34

Preamble:

In Tab 3 of the Rate Generator Model, for Account 1595, distributors are required to include all 1595 sub-accounts that have not been disposed of previously.

For these accounts, distributors are required to input in the Transactions columns, the funds recovered through rate riders that contribute to the balance. For example, for 1595 (2022), funds from rate riders that contribute to the balance should be recorded in the Transactions column(s), presumably with the majority, if not all, of the funds recorded in the 2022 transactions.

Question(s):

- a) Please explain why 1595 (2021) and 1595 (2020) are shown in the continuity schedule, despite being disposed of in Westario's 2025 rates application (EB-2024-0060).

- b) Please provide an updated version of the Rate Generator Model including the transaction amounts that contribute to the 1595 (2022) balance.

Staff Question-3

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab GA 2024, Cell C75

Ref 2: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3 - Continuity Schedule, Cell BD29

Preamble:

OEB staff notes that within the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform regarding Account 1589, Transactions for 2024 is indicated as \$535,647. However, in the Rate Generator Model, Transactions for 2024 are reported as \$1,329,631.

Question(s):

- a) Please explain this discrepancy and update both the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform and Rate Generator Model, if there is an error.

Staff Question-4

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Account 1588, Cell C20

Ref 2: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3 - Continuity Schedule, Cell BD28

Preamble:

OEB staff notes that within the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Transactions for 2024 is indicated as -\$3,368,822. However, in the Rate Generator Model, Transactions for 2024 as -\$2,234,044.

Question(s):

- a) Please explain this discrepancy and update both the Commodity Accounts Analysis Work form and Rate Generator Model, if there is an error.

Staff Question-5

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Note 8, Account 1589 - RSVA Global Adjustment Table

Ref 2: EB-2024-0060, 2025 GA Analysis Workform, November 28, 2024, Note 9, Account 1589 - RSVA Global Adjustment Table, 2023 Current year Principal Adjustments

Preamble:

In the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform for this application, for Account 1589, an adjustment described as "CT 2148 for current period corrections" with an amount of \$(1,743) appears under Note 8 in the breakdown of principal adjustments in last

approved balance. However, in the 2025 GA Analysis Workform, Note 9 indicates the principal adjustments last approved, lacks this adjustment.

Question(s):

- a) Please explain this discrepancy and update the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, if there is an error.

Staff Question-6

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell J27

Ref 2: EB-2024-0060, 2025 GA Analysis Workform, November 28, 2024, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell J88

Ref 3: EB-2024-0060, Rate Generator Model, December 19, 2024, Tab 3 - Continuity Schedule, Cell BF29

Preamble:

In the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform for this application, the “total principal adjustments included in last approved balance” for Account 1589 is indicated as \$5,289. However, in the 2025 GA Analysis Workform, the total current year principal adjustments is indicated to be \$7,032. In the 2025 Rate Generator Model, principal adjustments during 2023 is recorded as \$(8,422).

Question(s):

- a) Please explain this discrepancy and update the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, if there is an error.

Staff Question-7

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell V23

Ref 2: EB-2024-0060, 2025 GA Analysis Workform, November 28, 2024, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell V60

Preamble:

In the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform for this application, regarding Account 1588, an adjustment of “Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024” with an amount of \$(1,141,146) is indicated in Note 8. In the 2025 GA Analysis Workform, this adjustment appears in Note 9 under 2022 and not 2023. This amount appears to not have been reversed in 2023.

Question(s):

- a) Please confirm that “Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024” is being reversed for the first and only time, in 2024.

- b) Please confirm that “Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024” is a principal adjustment from 2022.

Staff Question-8

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell V27

Ref 2: EB-2024-0060, 2025 GA Analysis Workform, November 28, 2024, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell V89

Preamble:

In the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform for this application, for Account 1588, “total principal adjustments included in last approved balance” is indicated as \$(1,761,568). However, in the 2025 GA Analysis Workform, the total current year principal adjustments is indicated to be \$(620,422).

Question(s):

- a) Please explain this discrepancy and update the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, if there is an error.

Staff Question-9

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Note 8, Account 1588 - RSVA Power

Ref 2: EB-2024-0060, 2025 GA Analysis Workform, November 28, 2024, Tab Principal Adjustments, Note 9, Table Account 1588 - RSVA Power, 2023

Preamble:

A distributor is required to import the last approved principal adjustments exactly as was approved into the current “Principal Adjustments” tab, prior to reversal.

The Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Note 8, Account 1588 - RSVA Power table is shown below:

| Account 1588 - RSVA Power | | | |
|---|-------------|--|--|
| Adjustment Description | Amount | To be Reversed in Current Application? | Explanation if not to be reversed in current application |
| 1 CT 148 true-up of GA Charges based on actual RPP volumes | 72,571 | Yes | |
| 2 Unbilled to actual revenue differences | (204,651) | Yes | |
| 3 Accrual to Actual differences current period | (614,030) | Yes | |
| 4 Settlement Errors - 2023 - corrected in 2024 | 125,687 | Yes | |
| 5 Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024 | (1,141,146) | Yes | |
| 6 | | | |
| 7 | | | |
| 8 | | | |
| Total | (1,761,568) | | |
| Total principal adjustments included in last approved balance | (1,761,568) | | |

The EB-2024-0060, 2025 GA Analysis Workform, November 28, 2024, Tab Principal Adjustments, Note 9, Table Account 1588 - RSVA Power, 2023 is shown below:

| <i>Current year principal adjustments</i> | | | |
|---|--|------------------|-------|
| 1 | CT 148 true-up of GA Charges based on actual RPP volumes | 72,571 | 2,024 |
| 2 | Reversal of CT 1142/142 true-up based on actuals | | |
| 3 | Unbilled to actual revenue differences | (204,651) | 2,024 |
| 4 | Accrual to Actual expenses differences current period | (614,030) | 2,024 |
| 5 | Settlement Claims Error 1 - August 2023 | 360,000 | 2,024 |
| 6 | Settlement Claims Error 2 - October 2023 | (166,081) | 2,024 |
| 7 | Settlement Claims Error 3 - November 2023 | (68,232) | 2,024 |
| 8 | | | |
| Total Current Year Principal Adjustments | | (620,422) | |

Question(s):

- a) Please explain all the differences between the two tables, most notably the differences related to "Settlement Errors".

Staff Question-10

Ref 1: Manager Summary, Page 18-19, Table 7

Ref 2: Rate Generator Model, Tab 3 - Continuity Schedule, Cells BT28, BT29 and BT48

Preamble:

Below is a table comparing various balances as they appear in the Manager's Summary and the Continuity Schedule.

| <i>Subject</i> | <i>Amount as per Manager Summary</i> | <i>Amount as per Continuity Schedule</i> |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1588 | 1,523,965 | 1,578,920 |
| 1589 | (339,441) | (340,141) |
| Total Group 1 Balance requested for disposition | \$5,828,940 | 5,883,195 |

Question(s):

- a) Please explain the discrepancies for the balances shown above and provide an updated Rate Generator Model, if corrections/reconciling is required.

Staff Question-11

Ref 1: EB-2025-0002, Staff Questions 3-10

Ref 2: Manager Summary, page 19

Ref 3: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Note 9, Account 1588 - RSVA Power

Preamble:

Westario Power states that regarding principal adjustments to Account 1588, included is \$1,613,081 from post settlement claims which will be reconciled with the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) in 2025. In the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, this amount appears as “Settlement Errors - 2024 - corrected in 2025”.

Question(s):

- a) Please confirm that the last disposition of Accounts 1588 and 1589 was as of December 1, 2023.
- b) Please confirm whether Westario Power is seeking final disposition of Group 1 accounts, including Accounts 1588 and 1589.
 - i. If so, please clarify how Westario Power intends to address the concerns in Accounts 1588 and 1589 identified in Staff Questions 3-10
- c) If the potential adjustment “Settlement Errors - 2024 - corrected in 2025” is material post-final disposition, please explain how Westario Power proposes to manage it.
- d) Please provide commentary on the approach of requesting final disposition of Group 1 accounts, excluding Accounts 1588 and 1589, and applying interim disposition for Accounts 1588 and 1589 in this proceeding.

Staff Question-12

Ref:

Rate Generator Model, Tab 20 – Final Tariff Schedule

Preamble:

OEB staff notes that in Tab 20 – Final Tariff Schedule, several rate classes contained a "Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts Group 2 Accounts" that expired December 31, 2025.

OEB staff also notes that in Tab 20 – Final Tariff Schedule, the “Notice of switch letter charge, per letter” did not match the value indicated in Tab 18 – Regulatory Charges.

OEB staff has corrected the Final Tariff Schedule to remove the expired rate rider and to indicate the correct value for “Notice of switch letter charge, per letter”. The Rate Generator Model accompanying these questions contains the above noted corrections.

Question(s):

- a) Please verify the corrections and ensure that all tabs linked to Tab 20 are updated accordingly.

Staff Question-13

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab – GA 2024, Cells D14:16

Ref 2: 2024 RRR Data

Preamble:

The table below compares the consumption data of Westario Power provided in the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform and 2024 RRR data.

| | Per Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform (kWh) | Per 2024 RRR data (kWh) |
|--------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Total Metered excluding WMP | 437,857,968 | 362,446,205 |
| RPP | 251,147,890 | 244,373,136 |
| Non RPP | 186,710,078 | 117,810,044 |

Question(s):

- a) Please explain the differences in the consumption data indicated in the table above. If necessary, please update the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform.

Staff Question-14

Question(s):

- a) As applicable, please update the Rate Generator Model to reflect any updated rates/charges (e.g., 2026 Uniform Transmission Rates).