# Westario Power Inc. EB-2025-0002 October 3, 2025

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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.

## WPI Response:

Westario confirms that the Rate Model Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) has been updated to reflect the Q4 2025 OEB- prescribed interest rate of 2.91%.

#### 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).

## WPI Response:

The Rate Generator Model has been updated to remove balances as the two years in question were previously disposed of.

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

## WPI Response:

The transaction amounts that contribute to the 1595 (2022) balance have been added to 1595 (2022) in the Tab 3 - Continuity Schedule.

Description	Year	Principal (\$)	Interest (\$)
1595 - DVA Balance for Jan. 1st, 2022		1,553,754	(44,256)
Transactions	2022	(1,507,048)	4,000
Balance @ Dec. 31st		46,706	(40,256)
Transactions	2023	(4,861)	1,440
Balance @ Dec. 31st		41,845	(38,816)
Transactions	2024	467	1,870
Balance @ Dec. 31st		42,312	(36,945)

#### 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.

#### WPI Response:

The Rate Generation Model has been updated, Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform regarding Account 1589 has the correct transaction values of \$535,647, error occurred while inputting values into the Rate Generator Model.

#### 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.

# WPI Response:

The Rate Generation Model has been updated, Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform regarding Account 1588 has the correct transaction values of \$3,368,822, error occurred while inputting value into the Rate Generator Model.

#### 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.

## WPI Response:

The Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform has been updated, in error (\$1,743) for "CT 2148 for prior period" was added to Principal Adjustment section which in turn was transferred to the GA 2024 tab, this item has been removed from both tabs.

## **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.

## WPI Response:

The 2026 Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform has been updated and "Total principal adjustments included in last approved balance" has been updated to (\$7,032). Discrepancy is due to input error please see Question 5 response for explanation.

#### Staff Question-7

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell V23Ref 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.

## WPI Response:

Westario confirms that "Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024" is being reversed for the first and only time, in 2024 and that item reversal was not included in 2023 principal adjustments.

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

## WPI Response:

Westario confirms that "Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024" is a principal adjustment from 2022 that was settled with the IESO in 2024.

#### Staff Question-8

Ref 1: Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform, Tab Principal Adjustments, Cell V27Ref 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.

#### WPI Response:

"Total principal adjustments included in last approved balance" should be \$(620,422). Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform has been updated.

Difference of \$(1,141,146) is for "Settlement Errors – 2022" which was included in the 2022 current year principal adjustments in the 2025 GA Workform but not was not reversed in the 2023 prior year principal adjustment and reversed in the 2024

principal adjustment.

#### 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:

Current ye	ear principal adjustments		
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".

#### WPI Response:

Line items were added together to align with line limitation in the Account 1588 tab. The Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform has been updated to reflect

each line item from 2025 GA Workform plus the "Settlement Errors – 2022" which was included in the 2022 current year principal adjustments in the 2025 GA Workform but not was not reversed in the 2023 prior year principal adjustment and therefore reversed as part of the 2024 principal adjustment.

Account 1588 - RSVA Power				
		To be	Explanation if not to	
		Reversed in	be reversed in	
Adjustment Description	Amount	Current	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 Claims Error 1 - August 2023	360,000	Yes		
5 Settlement Claims Error 2 - October 2023	(166,081)	Yes		
6 Settlement Claims Error 3 - November 2023	(68,232)	Yes		
7 Settlement Errors - 2022 - corrected in 2024	(1,141,146)	Yes		
8				
Total	(1,761,568)			
Total principal adjustments included in last approved balance	(620,422)			
Difference	(1,141,146)			

#### 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.

Subject	Amount as per Manager	Amount as per
	Summary	Continuity Schedule
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.

# WPI Response:

Difference was interest adjustment calculation for 2024 which related to the settlement errors that were corrected in 2024. Manager's Summary mentioned these values but the table summary was not updated. Westario has removed the adjustment interest values from the Rate Generator Model and used actual calculations based on GL recorded 1588 and 1589 values.

#### 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.
  - 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.

# WPI Response:

- a) Westario confirms that the last disposition for 1588 and 1589 was of December 31, 2023.
- b) Westario Power is seeking final disposition of Group 1 accounts, including Accounts 1588 and 1589 for balances at the end of December 31, 2024.
  - i. Going forward Westario Power intends to implement additional processes to ensure errors are prevented and/or detected and corrected prior to settlement being completed. To do this, Westario is going to implement a new internal settlement checklist, complete additional training, and implement additional review processes.
- c) Westario Power will reconcile this difference with the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). These settlements have been submitted with the IESO.

d) The \$1,613,081 adjustment to Account 1588 represents 2024 settlement variances identified through the IESO's true-up process and will be reconciled in 2025. This amount is included in the 2024 balance shown as "Settlement Errors – 2024 – corrected in 2025" in the Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform. Westario confirms that this adjustment is reflected in the 2024 balance and requests final disposition of Account 1588 as of December 31, 2024, in this application.

If OEB Staff prefers that this adjustment be deferred until the IESO reconciliation is complete, Westario is prepared to carry the balance forward and request final disposition in its next IRM application.

#### 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.

# WPI Response:

Westario confirms that the in Tab 20 there are no rate classes showing the "Rate Rider for Disposition of Deferral/Variance Accounts Group 2 Accounts" that expires on December 31, 2025 and that the "Notice of switch letter" charge has been updated to \$2.51.

#### 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	Per 2024 RRR
	Workform (kWh)	data (kWh)
Total Metered excluding		
WMP	437,857,968	362,446,205
RPP		
TXI	251,147,890	244,373,136
Non RPP		
NOTERI	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.

# WPI Response:

Westario notes that in the table above the 2024 RRR information does not match the values submitted on April 27, 2025 for the 2024 RRR. Westario confirms that the Tab 4 in the Rate Generator Model has the correct information.

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Revenue				
V		GENERIC RATE CLASS	METERED CONSUMPTION IN KWHS (W=O+Q)	METERED CONSUMPTION IN KW (X=P+R)
Demand and		Residential	193,947,188.74	0.00
Revenue (2)		General Service < 50 kW	74,472,836.20	0.00
		General Service >= 50 kW	166,883,726.21	427,511.18
$\mathbf{Y}$		Large User	0.00	0.00
Demand and		Sub Transmission Customers	0.00	0.00
Revenue (3)		Embedded Distributor(s)	0.00	0.00
V		Street Lighting Connections	2,323,731.58	6,241.70
_		Sentinel Lighting Connections	19,037.66	49.75
Utility Characteristics		Unmetered Scattered Load Connecti	220,105.40	0.00
	<b>Y</b>	Total (Auto-Calculated)	437,866,625.79	433,802.63

Please see Rate Model Tab 4 for further reference. After further review Westario notice that the WMP consumption of 4,329 kWh was removed twice in the Non RPP values. The Commodity Accounts Workform has been updated. Table below has the corrected values.

Per Commodity	
Accounts Analysis	Per 2024 RRR
Workform (kWh)	data (kWh)

Total Metered excluding WMP	437,862,297	437,866,626
RPP	251,147,890	251,147,890
Non RPP	186,714,407	186,710,078

# **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).

# WPI Response:

Rate Generator Model has been updated to reflect the 2026 Uniform Transmission Rates.