

Hydro 2000 Inc. (H2000)
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Staff Question-1

Reference: *2026 IRM Manager Summary, 10.1 Review and Disposition of Group 1 DVA, page 12*

Preamble:

In the reference above "...H2000 is seeking approval to dispose of its Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts over a default 12-month period."

3 **10.1 Review and Disposition of Group 1 DVA**

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5 H2000 has completed the OEB's 2026 IRM Rate Generator – Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule) and
6 confirms that opening principal and interest amounts of \$116,675 reconcile to the approved closing
7 balances from the most recent final. The calculated threshold test yields a debit of \$0.0061/kWh, which
8 exceeds the \$0.001/kWh threshold established in the EDDVAR Report. As such, H2000 is seeking
9 approval to dispose of its Group 1 Deferral and Variance Accounts over a default 12-month period.

Question(s):

- a. Please confirm if H2000 has elected to dispose of its Group 1 account balances on an interim of final basis.

Staff Question-2

Reference: *2026 IRM Manager Summary, 10.4 Commodity Accounts 1588 and 1589, page 12*

Preamble:

In the reference, H2000 states that "Accounts 1588 and 1589 were disposed on a final basis as part of IRM application EB-2024-0030, for balances up to December 31, 2024."

25 **10.4 Commodity Accounts 1588 and 1589**
26 Accounts 1588 and 1589 were disposed on a final basis as part of IRM application EB-2024-0030,
27 for balances up to December 31, 2024. H2000 is now proposing to dispose of a debit balance of
28 \$4,329 in Account 1589 (GA) and a credit balance of \$940 in Account 1588.

Question(s):

- a. Please confirm if the disposed balances, as part of H2000's Cost of Service (EB-2024-0030), for Accounts 1588 and 1589 were up to December 31, 2024, or December 31, 2023.

Staff Question-3

Reference 1: *2026 IRM Rate Generator Model Excel, "Continuity Schedule" tab 3, cell BD28*

Reference 2: *2026 IRM Commodity Worksheet Excel, "Account 1588" tab 3, cell C20*

Preamble:

In both references, Account 1588 reflects two different values: cell BD28 (\$1,140) and cell C20 (\$1,223).

Question(s):

- a. Please review the Account 1588 amounts and provide an explanation as to why the values differ. As necessary, please update the Rate Generator Model and Commodity Accounts Analysis Workform.

Staff Question-4

Reference: *2026 IRM Rate Generator Model Excel, "Continuity Schedule" tab 3, column BR*

Preamble:

On December 10, 2025, the OEB published the 2026 Quarter 1 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.

Column BR description reads "Project Interest from Jan 1, 2025 to Apr 30, 2025..."

Question(s):

- a. Please confirm that Tab 3 (Continuity Schedule), column BR, reflects the Q1 2026 OEB Prescribe interest rate of 2.55%. If not, please update Tab 3, as necessary.
- b. Please update the description for column BR to reflect the years accordingly. It should read "...Jan 1, 2026 to Apr 30, 2026..."

Staff Question-5

Reference: *2026 IRM Rate Generator Model Excel, "Regulatory Charges" tab 18, RRRP and WMS Rates effective January 1, 2026.*

Preamble:

As per its Decision and Order, dated December 11, 2025, EB-2025-0299, the OEB set the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP) and Wholesale Market Services (WMS) charges, effective January 1, 2026.

OEB staff has updated the RRRP and CBR charges in the 2026 IRM Rate Generator Model as per reference above accordingly.

Question(s):

- a. Please review and confirm that OEB staff correctly updated the RRRP and CBR charges.

Staff Question-6

Reference: *2026 IRM Rate Generator Model Excel, "Billing Det. For Def-Var" tab 4, cell J4.*

Preamble:

In the above reference, H2000 is asked to confirm the accuracy of the data provided for the rate classes in this tab. H2000 has not identified 'Yes' or 'No' for this question.

Question(s):

- a. Please confirm if H2000 has confirmed the accuracy of the data reported in tab 4.