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DIRECT TESTIMONY

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**Development of Avoided Costs
Conservation Adjustment Mechanism**

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

2 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, OCCUPATION, AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

3 A. I am Paul L. Chernick. I am the president of Resource Insight, Inc., 5 Water St.,
4 Arlington, Massachusetts.

5 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND**
6 **EXPERIENCE.**

7 A. I received an SB degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in June 1974
8 from the Civil Engineering Department, and an SM degree from the Massachusetts
9 Institute of Technology in February 1978 in technology and policy. I have been elected to
10 membership in the civil engineering honorary society Chi Epsilon, and the engineering
11 honor society Tau Beta Pi, and to associate membership in the research honorary society
12 Sigma Xi.

13 I was a utility analyst for the Massachusetts Attorney General for more than three
14 years, and was involved in numerous aspects of utility rate design, costing, load
15 forecasting, and the evaluation of power supply options. Since 1981, I have been a
16 consultant in utility regulation and planning, first as a research associate at Analysis and
17 Inference, after 1986 as president of PLC, Inc., and in my current position at Resource
18 Insight. In these capacities, I have advised a variety of clients on utility matters.

19 My work has considered, among other things, conservation program design, cost
20 recovery for utility efficiency programs, the valuation of environmental externalities from
21 energy production and use, design of retail and wholesale rates, and performance-based
22 ratemaking and cost recovery in restructured gas and electric industries. My professional
23 qualifications are further summarized in Exhibit PLC-1.

1 **Q. HAVE YOU TESTIFIED PREVIOUSLY IN UTILITY PROCEEDINGS?**

2 A. Yes. I have testified approximately two hundred times on utility issues before various
3 regulatory, legislative, and judicial bodies, including utility regulators in 24 states and
4 three Canadian provinces, and two Federal agencies.

5 **Q. HAVE YOU TESTIFIED PREVIOUSLY BEFORE THIS COMMISSION?**

6 A. Yes. I testified in the following dockets:

- 7 • Docket R-842651, a Pennsylvania Power and Light rate case, on the need for,
8 and operating costs and rate effects of, the Susquehanna-2 nuclear plant, on
9 behalf of the Pennsylvania Consumer Advocate.
- 10 • Docket R-850152, a Philadelphia Electric Rate Case, on rate effects of Limerick
11 1, on behalf of the Utility Users Committee and University of Pennsylvania.
- 12 • Docket R-850290, on auxiliary rates for Philadelphia Electric, on behalf of the
13 University of Pennsylvania and Amtrak.
- 14 • Docket I-900005, R-901880, on electric-utility DSM and DSM-cost recovery,
15 for the Pennsylvania Energy Office.
- 16 • Docket No. 00061346, on real-time pricing for Duquesne Lighting, on behalf of
17 PennFuture.
- 18 • Docket No. R-00061366, et al., rate-transition-plan proceedings of Metropolitan
19 Edison and Pennsylvania Electric, on real-time and time-dependent pricing, on
20 behalf of PennFuture.
- 21 • Docket No. R-2009-2139884, on the first five-year DSM plan of Philadelphia
22 Gas Works.

1 Q. ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU TESTIFYING?

2 A. My testimony is submitted on behalf of Philadelphia Gas Works (“PGW”).

3 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF
4 AVOIDED COSTS.

5 A. I have developed or modified estimates of electric avoided costs for numerous electric
6 utilities; many of these estimates are listed in my resume. I estimated statewide avoided
7 costs for Vermont in 1997, and portions of the regional avoided generation costs for all of
8 New England for a consortium of utilities in 1999, 2001, 2007, 2009, 2011, and 2013.¹ I
9 also described the process of deriving avoided costs in a report to the Pennsylvania
10 Energy Office in 1993.² I have developed gas avoided costs for the following utilities:

- 11 • Boston Gas (now part of National Grid) in the late 1980s and early 1990s,
- 12 • Washington Gas Light in the 1990s,
- 13 • New England consortium reports (above) in 1999 and 2001 (plus some aspects
14 of more recent reports, including 2013),
- 15 • two reports for NYSERDA (“Natural Gas Energy Efficiency Resource
16 Development Potential in Con Edison Service Area” and “Natural Gas Energy
17 Efficiency Resource Development Potential in New York”) in 2006,
- 18 • New York’s energy-efficiency rulemaking in 2009,

¹ These are, respectively, “Avoided Energy Supply Costs for Demand-Side Management in Massachusetts” (1999), “Updated Avoided Energy Supply Costs for Demand-Side Screening in New England” (2001), “Avoided Energy Supply Costs in New England: 2007 Final Report” (2007), and “Avoided Energy Supply Costs in New England: 2009 Final Report” (2009), “Avoided Energy Supply Costs in New England: 2011 Report” (2011), and “Avoided Energy Supply Costs in New England: 2013 Report” (2013), all for the Avoided-Energy-Supply-Component Study Group, c/o National Grid Company (Northborough, Massachusetts).

² That work was in “Qualifying the Benefits of Demand Management,” the fifth volume of the five-volume *From Here to Efficiency: Securing Demand-Management Resources* published in 1992 and 1993 by the Pennsylvania Energy Office.

- 1 • Peoples Gas Company (Illinois) in 2009,
- 2 • PGW annually since 2009,
- 3 • Enbridge Gas in 2013,
- 4 • FortisBC in 2013.

5 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE IN THE PLANNING AND**
6 **PROMOTION OF ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS.**

7 A. I have testified on demand-side-management potential, economics, and program design in
8 approximately 65 proceedings since 1980. In the 1990s I participated in several
9 collaborative efforts among utilities, consumer advocates, and other parties, including
10 those for PEPCo, BG&E, Delmarva Power, Potomac Edison, Washington Gas Light,
11 Central Vermont Public Service, Vermont Gas, and NYSEG. More recently, I have
12 participated in collaboratives related to Con Edison's gas- and electricity-efficiency
13 programs, New York statewide program rules and objectives, and energy-efficiency
14 collaboratives in Maryland and Illinois.

15 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE REGARDING RECOVERY OF**
16 **UTILITY ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PROGRAM COSTS, ASSOCIATED**
17 **REVENUE LOSSES, AND PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES.**

18 A. I first proposed a combined revenue-stabilization and conservation-funding mechanism in
19 testimony on alternatives to the Seabrook nuclear power plant before the New Hampshire
20 Public Utilities Commission in Docket No. DE1-312 in October 1982. My qualifications
21 list a number of subsequent engagements related to ratemaking for energy efficiency,
22 including recovery of direct costs, lost revenue and performance incentives.

23 I have supported broader revenue stabilization than proposed by the utilities in
24 some cases (e.g., in Ontario), and proposed modifications to utility decoupling proposals
25 in other situations (e.g., for Con Edison's electric sales, Vectren's Indiana gas territories).

1 I have also worked on issues of cost recovery in collaborative efforts among utilities,
2 consumer advocates, and other parties, including Con Edison's gas revenue-per-customer
3 decoupling collaborative.

4 I have developed lost-revenue and performance-incentive mechanisms for
5 consumer advocates (including the Maryland Office of People's Counsel, the Ohio Office
6 of Consumer Counsel, and the City of New York) and other parties since the early 1990s.

7 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

8 A. The purpose of my testimony is to describe the derivation of PGW's avoided gas costs
9 and support PGW's proposal for the recovery of lost distribution margin through the
10 Conservation Adjustment Mechanism ("CAM") resulting from the proposed DSM II plan
11 described in the testimony of PGW witness Theodore Love. Throughout the process of
12 preparing PGW's filing in this proceeding, and in developing this testimony, I have
13 worked closely with Mr. Love.

14 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS.**

15 A. I recommend that the Commission approve the use of the avoided costs developed in my
16 testimony for screening PGW's energy-efficiency plan, the inclusion of lost margin in the
17 CAM and incentives for superior performance in delivering energy-efficiency services, as
18 proposed by Mr. Love.

19 **II. DEVELOPMENT OF AVOIDED COSTS**

20 *(A) Avoided Gas Costs*

21 **Q. DID YOU DEVELOP THE AVOIDED GAS COSTS USED IN THE ECONOMIC**
22 **SCREENING OF PGW'S PROPOSED DSM II PLAN?**

23 A. Yes.

1 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR APPROACH.**

2 A. The purpose of avoided costs is to estimate the benefit to consumers of reduced energy
3 usage. The major benefit is the reduction of the quantity of gas required to serve customer
4 loads and of the associated pipeline and storage capacity required to deliver the gas to the
5 PGW citygate at the times customers require it. This benefit does not necessarily equal
6 the rate paid by the customer to the utility or a natural-gas supplier in a particular month.
7 The market price of gas varies daily, while the utility (or supplier) may pay all year round
8 for capacity resources that serve customer loads only a few days in a typical year. The
9 costs resulting from customer gas consumption thus vary with load shape. For customers
10 using gas supplied by PGW, all the costs of gas used by customers will flow through to
11 customers and all the costs saved from energy efficiency will similarly flow through to
12 customers. Customers served by natural-gas suppliers may pay a contract rate in the short
13 term, but those rates are likely to be adjusted over time to reflect the costs of serving the
14 customer's actual load.

15 I outline my approach in this testimony. Exhibit PLC-2 presents the derivation of
16 avoided gas costs in greater detail.

17 **Q. HOW DID YOU PROJECT THE COST OF GAS OR THE BENEFIT OF**
18 **REDUCED GAS CONSUMPTION?**

19 A. A detailed explanation can be found in Exhibit PLC-2, but I'll outline the projection here.
20 My estimate of the avoided cost of natural gas for PGW's customers comprises the
21 following components:

- 22 • *Supply-area commodity costs:* The price of gas delivered at Henry Hub, for
23 normal-year weather.

- 1 • *Commodity delivery costs:* marginal pipeline and storage charges for gas
2 delivered from Henry Hub to PGW's citygate in a normal year.
- 3 • *Peaking capacity:* The costs of storage capacity to cover the difference between
4 normal and design-peak conditions.
- 5 • *Avoided costs of environmental compliance.*
- 6 • *The effect of load reductions* on the price of gas paid by Pennsylvania gas and
7 electric customers.

8 **Q. HOW DID YOU PROJECT THE SUPPLY-AREA COMMODITY COSTS?**

9 A. I began with the monthly forward prices for gas at Henry Hub as posted on April 20 2014
10 for the period September 2015 through August 2027.³ That period includes PGW's
11 September–August fiscal years from 2015/16 (FY2016) through 2025/26 (FY2026). In
12 the longer term, no forward market prices are available, so I relied on the Energy
13 Information Administration's 2014 Annual Energy Outlook (AEO), released May 7
14 2014.⁴ Since the 2026 AEO price differed from the 2026 forward price, I blended the two
15 projections together for 2019–2026. Beyond FY2026, I escalated the Henry Hub gas
16 price at the real 2027-2014 average escalation rate forecast by AEO, plus the 2% inflation
17 rate used across PGW's analysis.

18 For baseload efficiency measures, which save the same amount of energy every
19 day, the avoided supply-area commodity cost is simply the average of the gas prices
20 across months, weighted by the number of days in the month. For heating measures, I

³ Prices were posted only through December 2027.

⁴ The 2015 AEO report was released on April 14 2015, too late to be used in preparation of the filing. The changes in natural gas prices from AEO 2014 to AEO 2015 for 15–20 year lives in the period of the second five-year plan do not appear to be substantial.

1 assumed that the savings would be distributed across months in proportion to normal
2 monthly heating degree days. Within each month with significant heating load, I
3 estimated the historical ratio of prices weighted by normal heating degree days to the
4 simple average of the prices.

5 **Q. HOW DID YOU PROJECT THE DELIVERY PRICES?**

6 A. The delivery price has several components. First, I reduced the Henry Hub price by
7 10¢/Dth to reflect the lower cost at South Texas, the starting point for much of PGW's
8 gas contracts.

9 Second, I added in the costs of delivering gas in the off-peak months of April
10 through October from South Texas to PGW's citygate in the M-3 zone of the Texas
11 Eastern (TETCo) pipeline. I assume that contract capacity is not a binding constraint in
12 those months and set the delivery charge at Texas Eastern's variable commodity rate
13 (\$0.1105/Dth). In addition, the delivery costs include Texas Eastern's 5.8% tariff
14 transport fuel charge.

15 Third, for December through February, I assumed that the marginal source of
16 supply is the Texas Eastern CDS rate, which includes the following costs:

- 17 • the demand charges (from South Texas, into storage, and back out of storage to
18 Zone M-3) of \$21.88/Dth-month for 12 months, spread over 115 days of
19 storage, or an average of \$2.28/Dth;⁵
- 20 • about \$0.51/Dth for volumetric charges (the South Texas–M-3 charges, plus
21 space, injection, and withdrawal charges in seasonal storage);

⁵ I distributed the costs of the CDS capacity in proportion to the average heating degrees per day for each month, to recognize the higher value of the capacity at high-load periods. The resulting allocations ranged from \$3.25/Dth in January to \$2.35 in March and November.

- fuel use of about 11.7%.

Fourth, I recognized that November and March contain a mix of cold and milder days. While all the days in December through February fall in the coldest 115 days on the PGW system in a normal winter, only six days in November and nineteen days in March do so. Accordingly, I attributed the CDS cost to those days and the lower cost of the TETCo transportation rate (\$17.06/Dth-month) to the other days in each month, with the capacity costs allocated evenly over the heating months. The transportation capacity is equivalent to \$1.35/Dth, plus the commodity costs, and fuel use reflecting the mix of transport and storage in each month.

The annual delivery charge for baseload measures are the average of the delivered gas prices across months, weighted by the number of days in the month, while the annual delivery charge for heating measures is the average of the month prices, weighted by heating degree days.

Q. OTHER THAN COMMODITY DELIVERED TO THE CITYGATE IN A NORMAL-WEATHER YEAR, DOES ENERGY EFFICIENCY ALLOW PGW TO AVOID ANY OTHER COSTS?

A. Yes. In addition to providing gas to meet normal weather, PGW must provide enough reserve capacity to meet loads under design conditions, including both a design day with 65 heating degree days and a design winter with heating loads approximately 19.4% greater than normal. I estimated the cost of that reserve as the price of PGW's contracts supporting its most expensive storage supply (the SS-1B contract) times the percentage increase in heating load between normal and design winters. I took the fixed cost of the peaking supply as \$80.37/Dth-year. The reserve capacity needed to serve heating load on a design day is about 0.75% of the heating usage (about 34°F reserve spread over 4,613

1 HDD), so maintaining the reserve costs about \$0.62/Dth in FY2016. Baseload does not
2 increase under design conditions, and thus has no peaking-reserve cost.

3 **Q. DO ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION INVESTMENT HAVE**
4 **OTHER BENEFITS, BEYOND THOSE YOU HAVE QUANTIFIED?**

5 A. Yes. PGW's energy-efficiency programs and resulting reductions in gas load would have
6 several positive effects including the following beneficial functions:

- 7 • Create local jobs for local businesses in implementing the programs, from
8 distributing equipment and materials to installation and inspections.
- 9 • Reduce wholesale-market gas prices, particularly in the Northeast. While this is
10 a small price effect per ccf, it has that effect over large amounts of retail sales
11 and the large amounts of electric energy that is priced at the marginal costs of
12 gas-fired generators.
- 13 • Improve customer comfort.
- 14 • Potentially improve PGW cash flow.
- 15 • Improve customer ability to pay.
- 16 • Leave customers with additional cash to be spent in Philadelphia, stimulating
17 the local economy.
- 18 • Provide a model for energy-efficiency programs for other Pennsylvania gas
19 utilities, which would directly benefit the customers of those utilities and
20 multiply the market-price benefits to consumers.
- 21 • Reduce carbon emissions, the social cost of those emissions, and the cost to
22 consumers of compliance with likely future carbon limits.

23 The benefits of reducing market prices and carbon emissions, addressed in
24 Sections II(B) and II(C) below, have been quantified as additional avoided costs and

1 provided within alternative TRC figures for consideration in DSM Phase I. In Phase II,
 2 PGW proposes to include these components within the primary avoided costs and TRC
 3 calculations. Philadelphia Gas Works has not quantified the other effects listed above, but
 4 they are all properly included in the benefits of an energy-efficiency and conservation
 5 program.

6 Where loads are growing, energy efficiency also frees up distribution capacity
 7 that allows the utility to avoid some system upgrades. Most of PGW's system has
 8 experienced declining loads and hence needs no capacity-related upgrades. Indeed,
 9 PGW's miles of distribution mains have declined slightly but consistently since 2009.
 10 Nonetheless, there may be areas in which PGW will eventually require increased delivery
 11 capacity due to local growth. In those situations, PGW may be able to defer or avoid
 12 distribution upgrades.

13 ***(B) Wholesale Price Suppression***

14 **Q. HOW DOES GAS CONSERVATION AFFECT THE PRICE OF GAS**
 15 **PURCHASED FOR THE LOAD THAT REMAINS AFTER THE ENERGY-**
 16 **EFFICIENCY INVESTMENTS?**

17 A. Reduced gas consumption reduces both the market price of natural gas in North America
 18 and the market price of transportation to deliver gas to the citygate. The following
 19 sections summarize my analyses of these effects; details are provided in Appendix 6.1 of
 20 Exhibit TML-4.

21 **1) Supply Market Effects on PGW Gas Bills**

22 **Q. HOW MUCH DOES THE PRICE OF GAS SUPPLY RESPOND TO THE**
 23 **CHANGES IN GAS CONSUMPTION?**

24 A. To examine this question, I reviewed the literature and found that a number of analyses
 25 estimated that a 1% reduction in US gas consumption would reduce gas prices by about

1 1%–3%. I updated these analyses by using the results of the sensitivity analyses that the
 2 EIA ran for the 2012 and 2014 AEOs.

3 As shown in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4, plots of the changes in price against
 4 demand in the EIA sensitivity results are remarkably linear, with the small changes in the
 5 early years clustered near the origin and the large changes in later years closer to the ends
 6 of the trend line. The 2012 AEO results imply that every quad (billion Dth) decrease in
 7 annual gas consumption results in a \$0.632/Dth decrease in Henry Hub gas price (in
 8 2010\$).⁶

9 **Q. HOW DOES THAT COEFFICIENT OF PRICE CHANGE PER CONSERVED**
 10 **DTH TRANSLATE TO A SAVINGS TO PENNSYLVANIA CONSUMERS AS A**
 11 **RESULT OF CONSERVED GAS?**

12 A. The effect of this change in price on consumer bills is the product of the \$0.632/Dth per
 13 quad times the annual gas use by the relevant consumers. Since PGW's end-use gas
 14 sendout for FY2014 was about 78 million Dth, the potential effect on PGW gas end
 15 users' gas supply bill of one Dth reduction in gas consumption is

$$16 \quad (\$0.632 \times 10^{-9}/\text{MMBtu}) \times (0.078 \times 10^9 \text{ MMBtu}) = \$0.05/\text{Dth saved}.$$

17 Similarly, PECO has gas deliveries of about 90 million Dth, so every Dth
 18 reduction in usage would save PECO gas customers another \$0.036/Dth. The statewide
 19 gas deliveries to customers are about 582 million Dth, producing statewide benefits of
 20 \$0.233/Dth.

⁶ The AEO data do not appear to show any significant decay in the price-reduction values over time.

1 **2) Gas-Supply Market Effects on Electric Bills**

2 **Q. DO THESE REDUCTIONS IN SUPPLY-AREA GAS PRICES REDUCE**
3 **ELECTRIC PRICES?**

4 A. Yes. Natural gas set the market price in PJM about 33% of the time in calendar 2013; that
5 value appears to be rising as coal plants are retired. Unfortunately, PJM does not report
6 the marginal supply for various parts of the power pool, so we cannot tell how much of
7 the marginal energy serving the area around Philadelphia is from gas. However, the value
8 is almost certainly higher than the system-wide average.⁷

9 When gas sets the market electric price, reductions in gas prices reduce market
10 prices for electric energy. Assuming an average heat rate of 9.5 Dth/MWh, the savings to
11 PECo customers (many of which are also PGW customers) from a Dth reduction in gas
12 use would be

13 $(\$0.632 \times 10^{-9} / \text{MMBtu}) \times (9.5 \text{ MMBtu/MWh}) \times 39.7 \times 10^6 \text{ MWh} \times 33\% = \$0.08 / \text{MMBtu}$

14 For all of Pennsylvania, with deliveries of about 146.3 million MWh, lower gas supply
15 prices would save customers statewide about \$0.29 for every MMBtu saved.

16 **3) Transportation Market Effects on Electric and Gas-Transport Bills**

17 **Q. HOW DO LOAD REDUCTIONS AFFECT THE COSTS OF GAS**
18 **TRANSPORTATION?**

19 A. Reductions in gas loads reduce the market-price difference (or basis) from supply areas to
20 consumption areas. Most gas distribution companies, including PGW, purchase almost all
21 their gas transportation services under fixed-price regulated contracts (such as those
22 described in Section II(A)) and are thus not affected by market basis. But most electric

⁷ Compared to Pennsylvania, areas to the west have more coal, which makes up about half the marginal supply overall, and wind, which makes up 5% of the margin.

1 generators in PJM (and other restructured regions) purchase all their gas transportation at
2 market prices. Reducing gas transportation costs will tend to reduce electric market
3 prices, in the periods for which gas sets the market price. Most interruptible gas
4 transportation customers also probably purchase their gas on the spot markets.

5 **Q. HOW DID YOU ESTIMATE THE MAGNITUDE OF THE EFFECT OF**
6 **REDUCED GAS USAGE ON MARKET TRANSPORTATION PRICES?**

7 A. I examined the historical relationship between monthly consumption in the Northeast and
8 basis from Henry Hub to the TETCo M-3 zone, which is a major pricing point for
9 generation in eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and surrounding regions. I defined the
10 Northeast as including the states served by the M-3 zone and those downstream:
11 Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and
12 New Hampshire.⁸ As shown in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4, I found that the reducing
13 winter gas consumption by one quad reduces basis by \$0.021/MMBtu.

14 **Q. HOW DOES THIS REDUCTION IN TRANSPORTATION PRICE AFFECT**
15 **ELECTRIC PRICES?**

16 A. As shown in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4, the benefit for PECO customers would be
17 about \$0.20/MMBtu of saved space-heating gas and \$0.09/MMBtu for baseload savings.
18 The Pennsylvania utilities in the MAAC region (PECO, PPL, Penelec, MetEd and UGI),
19 collectively use about three times as much energy in the four winter months (December
20 to March) as does PECO, so the statewide savings would be about three times the PECO
21 savings. Since most electric customers are supplied through fixed-price contracts that last
22 several months or a few years, the price reduction will flow through to customers with a
23 delay averaging about a year.

⁸ Only eastern Pennsylvania should be included in this area, since western Pennsylvania is upstream of Zone M-3, but I do not have monthly data on gas consumption for areas smaller than states.

1 For PGW's interruptible transport customers, each saved Dth saves about
 2 \$0.042/MMBtu of saved space-heating gas and \$0.019/MMBtu of saved baseload gas, at
 3 the end of a three-year phase-in period (assuming that customers have fixed-price
 4 transportation contracts averaging three years in duration).⁹

5 Since less congestion on the pipelines may slow expansion of lines, it is
 6 reasonable to phase out the basis price effect over a few years, starting in 2020.

7 ***(C) Avoided Environmental Costs***

8 **Q. WHAT ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS DID YOU ESTIMATE FOR INCLUSION IN**
 9 **PGW'S ECONOMIC EVALUATION OF ITS ENERGY-EFFICIENCY**
 10 **PROGRAMS?**

11 A. A: I compiled information on the following costs:

- 12 • Likely future carbon prices that may be applied economy-wide, including on
 13 gas burned by PGW's customers.
- 14 • The social cost of carbon emissions.
- 15 • The health costs of NOx and SO2 emissions from power plants.

16 These costs, per unit of pollution emitted, and the value of avoiding the emissions
 17 per Dth or MWh conserved, are described in detail in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4.

18 **Q. HOW DID YOU ESTIMATE THE INTERNALIZED COSTS OF CARBON**
 19 **CHARGES?**

20 A. I relied on the 2013 summary of carbon-pricing forecasts from Synapse Energy
 21 Economics, as described in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4. I used Synapse's mid-case
 22 projection of carbon allowance prices, which assumes that carbon caps take effect in
 23 2020, starting at \$15/ton in 2012 dollars, rising linearly to \$37.5 in 2030 and \$60 in 2040.

⁹ If the customers pay market prices on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis, or if fixed-price contract durations are shorter than three years, the phase-in period would be shorter or non-existent.

1 I multiplied that price by emissions of 118 pounds of CO₂ per Dth, to get
2 internalized carbon prices of \$0.92/Dth in 2020; \$2.30/Dth in 2030 and \$3.68/Dth in
3 2040.

4 **Q. HOW DID YOU ESTIMATE THE SOCIAL COSTS OF CARBON EMISSIONS?**

5 A. I relied on the Federal Interagency Working Group mid-range results, using a 3% real
6 discount rate, as shown in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4. Those costs (in 2007 dollars)
7 start at about \$38/ton in 2015, rising to \$43 in 2020, \$52 in 2030, and \$62/ton in 2040.

8 Converting to a cost per Dth of gas burned, the costs are \$2.42/Dth in 2015, \$2.53
9 in 2020, \$3.07 in 2030, and \$3.66/Dth in 2040.

10 **Q. HOW DID YOU ESTIMATE THE HEALTH COSTS OF NOX AND SO₂**
11 **EMISSIONS FROM POWER PLANTS?**

12 A. As described in Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4, I used the EPA's estimates of the
13 health-related damages of particulate matter resulting from releases of SO₂ and NO_x by
14 electric generators in a wide area encompassing the Philadelphia and New York City,
15 which would be broadly typical of the area in which most of the electricity generated for
16 PECO customers would be generated. Depending on the year, these estimates are around
17 \$100,000/ton for SO₂ and \$1,500–\$2,500/ton for NO_x.

18 Appendix 6.1 of Exhibit TML-4 explains in some detail the manner in which I
19 estimated the marginal emissions rates for PJM over time and converted the cost per ton
20 to cost per MWh.

21 ***(D) Avoided Electric Costs***

22 **Q. WHY ARE AVOIDED ELECTRIC COSTS RELEVANT TO THE EVALUATION**
23 **OF PGW'S ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS?**

24 A. Gas energy-efficiency measures can increase or decrease electricity use. For example,
25 tradeoffs between gas and electric savings arise in choosing between window designs that

1 admit solar energy in the winter and those that keep out sunshine in the summer. On the
2 other hand, building-shell measures (wall and roof insulation, tighter windows), setback
3 thermostats, and duct sealing in gas-heated buildings are likely to decrease electric use
4 both for circulating heat (with pumps and/or fans) and for summer cooling. Accurately
5 evaluating the cost-effectiveness of the gas energy-efficiency and conservation programs
6 requires valuation of the changes in electricity use, along with all other costs and benefits.

7 **Q. HOW DID YOU ESTIMATE ELECTRIC AVOIDED COSTS?**

8 A. My computation of avoided energy costs started with April 17 2014 NYMEX monthly
9 forward on- and off-peak energy prices for PECO for 2015, escalated through 2018 at the
10 growth rates for PJM energy.¹⁰ After 2018, I interpolated the energy prices so that the
11 growth rates matched the 2014 AEO's projection of nominal Henry Hub gas prices by
12 2026, and used AEO's escalation projections thereafter.¹¹ I then weighted the market
13 energy costs across months, to derive an average annual avoided energy cost for each gas
14 year.

15 I did not explicitly recognize any effects of intra-month load shape, line losses,
16 carbon caps or changing fuel mix in the future.

17 To the energy costs, I added capacity costs at the market-clearing price applicable
18 to electric service. Since PJM obtains capacity on a locational basis, the capacity price
19 may be essentially uniform across the entire PJM RTO, or may vary between regions.
20 The capacity price applicable to the Philadelphia region for 2014/15 through 2016/17 was
21 the MAAC zone, plus losses and required reserves. I assumed that the capacity price after

¹⁰ The forwards ran only to 2015 for PECO and 2018 for PJM

¹¹ This approach is very similar to that described by the PAPUC in Docket No. M 2009-2108601.

1 2016/17 would be constant in real terms, at the average of those three previous auction
2 prices, which was about \$73/kW-year including losses and reserves.

3 I also included the avoided T&D costs estimated by PECO in its Revised Phase II
4 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan for Program Years 2013-2015 under Act 129.
5 While these are avoided capacity costs, PECO reported them in dollars per kWh, and I
6 included them as energy benefits.

7 The results of my computations are described in Exhibit PLC-3.

8 **III. CONSERVATION ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM**

9 **Q. WHAT ISSUES WILL YOU ADDRESS REGARDING THE CONSERVATION** 10 **ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM?**

11 A. I will address the equity and efficiency benefits of inclusion of PGW's lost revenues in
12 the Conservation Adjustment Mechanism (CAM).

13 **Q. ARE LOST REVENUES A COST OF THE DSM PROGRAM TO PGW?**

14 A. Yes. The principal purpose of energy-efficiency programs is to reduce customer costs by
15 reducing the usage of commodity. The Total Resource Cost test (TRC), the primary test
16 of efficiency-program effectiveness utilized by Act 129 programs in Pennsylvania and
17 PGW's DSM, is based on the value to customers of the reductions in energy and capacity
18 costs resulting from commodity savings. The benefits of efficiency programs exclude any
19 additional short-term reductions in customer bills resulting from decreased contributions
20 to paying for fixed utility costs. The short-term reduction in distribution charges is thus
21 an unintended side-effect of the efficiency programming and is not counted as
22 contributing towards PGW's stated goals or estimated benefits. Lost margins represent
23 important additional costs imposed upon the utility and must be mitigated to facilitate full
24 development of the efficiency resource. Since PGW flows through the costs of

1 commodity to customers, reduced commodity use has little effect on PGW's financial
2 condition, other than indirectly through the effect on cash working capital.

3 But in addition to commodity, PGW charges for distribution costs as a function of
4 consumption, at about 60¢/Ccf for residential GS, and about 49¢/Ccf for PHA on GS,
5 47¢/Ccf for MS, 46¢/Ccf for commercial and municipal customers on GS and 45¢/Ccf
6 for industrial customers. Since distribution costs are almost all fixed in the short term,
7 every ccf of gas that a customer does not use due to an energy-efficiency or conservation
8 program reduces PGW's earnings and cash flow. The better PGW does at reducing its
9 customers' energy usage and bills, the worse off PGW would be under current
10 ratemaking. These reductions in distribution charges to participating customers are not
11 counted as benefits in measuring efficiency-program cost-effectiveness; the revenue
12 reduction is an additional cost of program delivery borne by the utility. This additional
13 unrecovered burden remains one of the major barriers to more effective energy policy in
14 the states that have not addressed it.

15 As long as lost margins are not recovered, the scope of PGW's energy-efficiency
16 programs must be limited to a level of effort that does not excessively burden PGW's
17 financial structure and cash flow. Promoting all cost-effective energy-efficiency savings
18 without recovery of lost margins could result in financial distress for PGW.

19 For lack of a mechanism for recovering lost margins, PGW was unable to propose
20 growing its energy-efficiency programs to the expanded program level described in the
21 DSM Phase II Plan. As a result, customers will pay more than necessary and more carbon
22 pollution will be released to the atmosphere if the CAM is not approved.

1 **Q. DOES LOST MARGIN REPRESENT A COST THAT SHOULD BE**
2 **RECOGNIZED BY THE COMMISSION?**

3 A. Yes. Lost margins constitute costs to PGW, which should be reflected in ratemaking to
4 minimize the burden on PGW from aiding its customers.

5 **Q. DO PGW'S LOST MARGINS INCLUDE ANY RETURN ON EQUITY?**

6 A. No. I understand that PGW is a cash-flow regulated company, unlike investor-owned
7 utilities whose rates include a component for return on rate base. Thus, PGW's margin
8 only includes non-gas expenses, the costs of external borrowing, and an allowance to
9 provide adequate cash flow as established in PGW's last base rate proceeding.

10 **Q. ARE THE ELECTRIC UTILITIES AFFECTED BY LOST MARGINS TO THE**
11 **SAME EXTENT AS PGW AND OTHER NATURAL GAS UTILITIES?**

12 A. While the basic problem caused by lost margins is similar for electric and gas utilities, a
13 few important factors tend to offset the severity of the burden for electric utilities. First,
14 most electric utilities have continued to experience sales growth; the 2015 PJM load
15 forecast shows the Pennsylvania electric utility sales growing at over 1% annually during
16 the next three years, even after energy-efficiency programs. Thus, the lost contribution to
17 fixed costs may be offset by increased contribution to fixed costs by increased sales. In
18 contrast, like many gas utilities, PGW has been experiencing flat or negative sales growth
19 and thus lacks that offset.¹² As explained by NARUC in 2007,

20 While the gas industry generally faces declining average revenues per customer
21 over time, the electric industry is experiencing increasing average revenues per
22 customer. As a result, gas utilities tend to face revenue and profit erosion

¹² Some natural-gas companies have continued to experience load growth, due to expansion of their distribution system to new areas, construction of new homes, or increased demand for natural gas by commercial and industrial customers. None of these drivers of load growth is significant for PGW.

1 between rate cases, while electric utilities garner increasing revenue and profits
2 between rate cases.¹³

3 Second, almost all electric utilities have demand-related infrastructure expansion
4 projects planned over the relatively near term. When conservation reduces peak loads
5 EDCs can mitigate the effect of those lost sales by deferring some demand-related costs
6 between rate cases. PGW, like many gas utilities serving older urban areas, has little or
7 no planned load-growth-related infrastructure investment to defer. PGW hence has no
8 opportunity to reduce demand-related costs to offset lost contribution to fixed costs.

9 Finally, electric utilities have some categories of equipment that wear out faster
10 when loaded more heavily in their safe operating range. In contrast, NGDCs have little (if
11 any) equipment that wears out as a function of usage, so the lost contribution to fixed
12 costs from energy-efficiency programs is not offset by reductions in load-related
13 equipment failure.

14 Accordingly, while an appropriately structured mechanism for the recovery of lost
15 margin due to conservation programs is justified for most utilities, such a mechanism is
16 especially important for PGW.

17 **Q. HOW DOES PGW PROPOSE TO RECOVER THE COSTS OF LOST**
18 **MARGINS?**

19 A. The company proposes to recover its lost margins resulting to sales reductions due to all
20 its energy-efficiency programs. The recovery would be through the Conservation
21 Adjustment Mechanism (CAM), an element of the existing DSM Efficiency Cost
22 Recovery Mechanism (ECRM).

¹³ “Decoupling For Electric & Gas Utilities: Frequently Asked Questions.” National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, September 2007, at 10.

1 **Q. HOW WOULD THE LOST MARGINS BE ALLOCATED TO RATE CLASSES?**

2 A. Each rate class would be allocated the lost margins resulting from energy-efficiency
3 measures installed by the members of that class, except that the reduction in distribution
4 bills of low-income customers covered by the Customer Responsibility Program (CRP)
5 will be allocated among classes in the same manner that the CRP surcharge is allocated.

6 **Q. DOES PGW EXPERIENCE LOST REVENUES FROM CUSTOMERS
7 REDUCING THEIR USAGE AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE CRP
8 HOME COMFORT PROGRAM?**

9 A. Yes. While PGW recovers from other ratepayers the difference between a CRP
10 customer's full bill (based on meter readings) and the customer's reduced payment
11 responsibility (based on ability to pay), there is no mechanism that compensates PGW for
12 lost margin when less gas flows through the CRP customer's meter due to energy-
13 efficiency investments.

14 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE COST RECOVERY OF REDUCED MARGINS
15 RESULTING FROM ENERGY-EFFICIENCY EFFORTS AT THE HOMES OF
16 THE LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS COVERED BY THE CUSTOMER
17 RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM.**

18 A. The lost margin from these customers would be included in the CAM. Customers
19 participating in the CRP pay only a fixed dollar amount toward the bills associated with
20 their usage. The remainder of their bills is paid by other customers through the Universal
21 Service Surcharge; under current PGW practice, the lost margin is recovered from those
22 same customers in a manner very similar to recovery of CRP costs. With a CAM in place
23 the non-low-income customers will still benefit financially from CRP Home Comfort.
24 The CRP surcharge would be reduced by the full reduction in gas costs in the bills of
25 CRP customers, while the CAM mechanism would recover from the non-low income
26 customers only the reduction in distribution charges. Thus, all the gas-related savings

1 would be retained by the non-CRP customers, and the distribution charges related to
2 fixed revenue requirements would flow through the CAM, offsetting the fixed-cost
3 portion of the reduction in CRP recovery from non-CRP customers.

4 As discussed above, the lost margins from CRP Home Comfort are real costs to
5 PGW: Revenues fall while PGW's fixed costs do not change. As a result, CRP Home
6 Comfort increases the risk that PGW will not recover all of its fixed costs, ultimately
7 impacting PGW's net operating margin. In order for PGW to go beyond the CRP Home
8 Comfort minimum required under PUC regulation, a mechanism such as the CAM is
9 necessary to ensure the recovery of these lost margins. The reduction in the reconciling
10 charges (the OPEB, ECRM, Distribution System Improvement and Universal Service
11 surcharges) is also not associated with any short-term savings, but the shortfall in PGW's
12 recovery of these charges will be captured in future reconciliation (as it does currently) in
13 the existing mechanisms and thus will not flow through the CAM.

14 In short, including the CRP Home Comfort lost margins in the CAM is good
15 policy. Recovery of the CAM costs will allow PGW to expand its energy-efficiency
16 program for CRP customers, ensure that the customers who subsidize CRP benefit from
17 the gas cost savings resulting from CRP Home Comfort, and protect PGW from loss of
18 margins needed to cover fixed costs.

19 **Q. HOW WOULD LOST REVENUE BE DETERMINED?**

20 A. The basic approach in computing lost revenues comprises the following steps, for each
21 measure covered by an energy-efficiency and conservation program:

- 22 1) Count the number of measures installed under the program.
- 23 2) Estimate the annual sales effects of each measure.

- 1 3) Estimate the percentage of the savings that would have occurred without the
- 2 program, and that therefore do not reflect any program-related revenue loss.
- 3 4) Estimate the extent of spillover from the program to non-participants, such as
- 4 by increasing supply of efficient equipment available for purchase in the local
- 5 market.
- 6 5) Determine the rate per ccf for the sales reduction, which may require, for
- 7 example, tracking the number of participants in a boiler program who are on
- 8 residential Rate GS, public-housing Rate GS, commercial Rate GS, Rate PHA,
- 9 and Rate MS.
- 10 6) Compute when the savings from each measure would start, given both the
- 11 installation schedule and the seasonality of load.
- 12 7) Compute the resulting lost revenues.

13 **Q. WHAT FACTORS WOULD BE CONSIDERED IN ESTIMATING THE SALES**
 14 **EFFECTS OF EACH MEASURE?**

- 15 A. The estimated effect on sales may depend on the following factors:
- 16 • the size of the equipment affected, such as the volume of the water heater or the
 - 17 Btu output rating of a furnace;
 - 18 • building size;
 - 19 • household size, especially for water heaters, and low-flow fixtures;
 - 20 • pre-measure usage;
 - 21 • efficiency of the rest of the system, such as the effect of the building envelope
 - 22 on the sales reduction from a more-efficient heating system.

1 Not all of these factors would be determined for each installation. Variables that
2 would not be feasible to track for each installation would be determined from limited
3 samples of participants.

4 **Q. IS THIS APPROACH USED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS?**

5 A. Yes. Lost-revenue-adjustment mechanisms are used for electric and/or gas utilities in at
6 least the following North American jurisdictions:

- 7 • Ontario,
- 8 • Arkansas,
- 9 • Arizona,
- 10 • Connecticut,
- 11 • Indiana,
- 12 • Kansas,
- 13 • Kentucky,
- 14 • Louisiana,
- 15 • Montana,
- 16 • Nevada,
- 17 • New Hampshire,
- 18 • North Carolina,
- 19 • Ohio,
- 20 • Oklahoma,
- 21 • Oregon,
- 22 • South Carolina, and
- 23 • Wyoming.

1 Lost-revenue adjustments have also been used in the past in several jurisdictions
2 (such as Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, and Maryland), but have been largely
3 supplanted in those jurisdictions by revenue-stabilization or decoupling mechanisms that
4 compare actual revenues to a target revenue level, and adjust rates to flow the difference
5 to the utility or its customers.¹⁴

6 At least forty US jurisdictions (thirty-nine states and DC) have either lost-revenue
7 adjustments or decoupling for electric and/or gas utilities.

8 **Q. HAS PGW DEVELOPED DETAILED PROTOCOLS FOR THE TRACKING**
9 **SYSTEM AND THE ESTIMATION OF LOST REVENUES?**

10 A. Yes. Mr. Love includes a model tracking system and lost-revenue formulas in Appendix
11 6.2 of Exhibit TML-4.

12 **Q. WOULD THE LOST-REVENUE COMPUTATION BE RESET AT SOME**
13 **POINT?**

14 A. Yes. In each rate proceeding, a new projection of pro-forma revenues is used to set rates.
15 Accordingly, any lost-revenue amount in the ECRM would be eliminated at the effective
16 date of the new rates.

17 **Q. WOULD THE INCLUSION OF A PERFORMANCE-INCENTIVE MECHANISM**
18 **OBVIATE THE NEED FOR RECOVERY OF LOST MARGINS?**

19 A. No. The CAM would make PGW whole for the costs it has incurred for operation of the
20 distribution system, but would lose due to the success of its energy-efficiency efforts. A
21 reasonable assurance of not stressing the Company's finances is a minimum regulatory
22 requirement for successful energy-efficiency implementation. The CAM recoveries
23 would be needed to allow PGW to afford the pursuit of competent, cost-effective efforts.

¹⁴ A revenue-stabilization mechanism would also allow PGW to pursue more cost-effective energy-efficiency savings.

1 Performance incentives, in contrast, reward and encourage the utility to pursue
2 superior program designs and implementation approaches, to produce greater savings and
3 greater benefits at lower costs. The CAM does not reward or encourage anything; it
4 simply eliminates the financial damage associated with PGW's pursuit of benefits for its
5 customers.

6 There is no fixed relationship between lost margins and performance incentives;
7 neither of these ratemaking features substitutes for the other.

8 **IV. CONCLUSION**

9 **Q. WHAT ARE YOUR CONCLUSIONS?**

10 A. The avoided costs that I describe above and in my Exhibits are reasonable for cost-
11 effectiveness screening of PGW's energy-efficiency and conservation programs.

12 The Commission should allow PGW to include recovery of lost margins from
13 installed energy-efficiency measures, so that PGW can expand its energy-efficiency
14 programs, reduce customer bills, moderate the risks of gas-price volatility, and reduce
15 carbon emissions.

16 **Q. DOES THIS COMPLETE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

17 A. Yes.

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Appliance penetration projections, price elasticity, econometric commercial forecast, peak demand forecast. Joint testimony with Susan C. Geller.
2. **Mass. EFSC 78-17, Northeast Utilities 1978 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. September 29 1978.**

Specification of economic/demographic and industrial models, appliance efficiency, commercial model structure and estimation.
3. **Mass. EFSC 78-33, Eastern Utilities Associates 1978 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 27 1978.**

Household size, appliance efficiency, appliance penetration, price elasticity, commercial forecast, industrial trending, peak demand forecast.
4. **Mass. DPU 19494, Phase II; Boston Edison Company construction program; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 1 1979.**

Review of numerous aspects of the 1978 demand forecasts of nine New England electric utilities, constituting 92% of projected regional demand growth, and of the NEPOOL demand forecast. Joint testimony with Susan Geller.
5. **Mass. DPU 19494, Phase II; Boston Edison Company construction program; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 1 1979.**

Reliability, capacity planning, capability responsibility allocation, customer generation, co-generation rates, reserve margins, operating reserve allocation. Joint testimony with S. Finger.
6. **U.S. ASLB NRC 50-471, Pilgrim Unit 2; Commonwealth of Massachusetts. June 29 1979.**

Review of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and NEPOOL demand forecast models; cost-effectiveness of oil displacement; nuclear economics. Joint testimony with Susan Geller.

7. **Mass. DPU 19845**, Boston Edison time-of-use-rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. December 4 1979. (Not presented)

Critique of utility marginal cost study and proposed rates; principles of marginal cost principles, cost derivation, and rate design; options for reconciling costs and revenues. Joint testimony with Susan Geller.

8. **Mass. DPU 20055**, petition of Eastern Utilities Associates, New Bedford G. & E., and Fitchburg G. & E. to purchase additional shares of Seabrook Nuclear Plant; Massachusetts Attorney General. January 23 1980.

Review of demand forecasts of three utilities purchasing Seabrook shares; Seabrook power costs, including construction cost, completion date, capacity factor, O&M expenses, interim replacements, reserves and uncertainties; alternative energy sources, including conservation, cogeneration, rate reform, solar, wood and coal conversion.

9. **Mass. DPU 20248**, petition of Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company to purchase additional share of Seabrook Nuclear Plant; Massachusetts Attorney General. June 2 1980.

Nuclear power costs; update and extension of MDPU 20055 testimony.

10. **Mass. DPU 200**, Massachusetts Electric Company rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. June 16 1980.

Rate design; declining blocks, promotional rates, alternative energy, demand charges, demand ratchets; conservation: master metering, storage heating, efficiency standards, restricting resistance heating.

11. **Mass. EFSC 79-33**, Eastern Utilities Associates 1979 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. July 16 1980.

Customer projections, consistency issues, appliance efficiency, new appliance types, commercial specifications, industrial data manipulation and trending, sales and resale.

12. **Mass. DPU 243**, Eastern Edison Company rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. August 19 1980.

Rate design: declining blocks, promotional rates, alternative energy, master metering.

13. **Texas PUC 3298**, Gulf States Utilities rate case; East Texas Legal Services. August 25 1980.

Inter-class revenue allocations, including production plant in-service, O&M, CWIP, nuclear fuel in progress, amortization of canceled plant residential rate design; interruptible rates; off-peak rates. Joint testimony with M. B. Meyer.

14. **Mass. EFSC 79-1**, Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company Forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 5 1980.

Cost comparison methodology; nuclear cost estimates; cost of conservation, cogeneration, and solar.

15. **Mass. DPU 472**, recovery of residential conservation-service expenses; Massachusetts Attorney General. December 12 1980.

Conservation as an energy source; advantages of per-kWh allocation over per-customer-month allocation.

16. **Mass. DPU 535**; regulations to carry out Section 210 of PURPA; Massachusetts Attorney General. January 26 1981 and February 13 1981.

Filing requirements, certification, qualifying-facility status, extent of coverage, review of contracts; energy rates; capacity rates; extra benefits of qualifying facilities in specific areas; wheeling; standardization of fees and charges.

17. **Mass. EFSC 80-17**, Northeast Utilities 1980 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. March 12 1981 (not presented).

Specification process, employment, electric heating promotion and penetration, commercial sales model, industrial model specification, documentation of price forecasts and wholesale forecast.

18. **Mass. DPU 558**, Western Massachusetts Electric Company rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. May 1981.

Rate design including declining blocks, marginal cost conservation impacts, and promotional rates. Conservation, including terms and conditions limiting renewable, cogeneration, small power production; scope of current conservation program; efficient insulation levels; additional conservation opportunities.

19. **Mass. DPU 1048**, Boston Edison plant performance standards; Massachusetts Attorney General. May 7 1982.

Critique of company approach, data, and statistical analysis; description of comparative and absolute approaches to standard-setting; proposals for standards and reporting requirements.

20. **D.C. PSC FC785**, Potomac Electric Power rate case; D.C. People's Counsel. July 29 1982.

Inter-class revenue allocations, including generation, transmission, and distribution plant classification; fuel and O&M classification; distribution and service allocators. Marginal cost estimation, including losses.

21. **N.H. PSC DE1-312**, Public Service of New Hampshire supply and demand; Conservation Law Foundation et al. October 8 1982.
Conservation program design, ratemaking, and effectiveness. Cost of power from Seabrook nuclear plant, including construction cost and duration, capacity factor, O&M, replacements, insurance, and decommissioning.
22. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1983 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General. October 1982.
Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates, surplus flow, tax flows, tax rates, and risk premium.
23. **Ill. Commerce Commission 82-0026**, Commonwealth Edison rate case; Illinois Attorney General. October 15 1982.
Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for nuclear plant. Nuclear cost parameters (construction cost, O&M, capital additions, useful life, capacity factor), risks, discount rates, evaluation techniques.
24. **N.M. PSC 1794**, Public Service of New Mexico application for certification; New Mexico Attorney General. May 10 1983.
Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for transmission line. Review of electricity price forecast, nuclear capacity factors, load forecast. Critique of company ratemaking proposals; development of alternative ratemaking proposal.
25. **Conn. DPUC 830301**, United Illuminating rate case; Connecticut Consumers Counsel. June 17 1983.
Cost of Seabrook nuclear power plants, including construction cost and duration, capacity factor, O&M, capital additions, insurance and decommissioning.
26. **Mass. DPU 1509**, Boston Edison plant performance standards; Massachusetts Attorney General. July 15 1983.
Critique of company approach and statistical analysis; regression model of nuclear capacity factor; proposals for standards and for standard-setting methodologies.
27. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1984 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General. October 1983.
Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates.
28. **Conn. DPUC 83-07-15**, Connecticut Light and Power rate case; Alloy Foundry. October 3 1983.
Industrial rate design. Marginal and embedded costs; classification of generation, transmission, and distribution expenses; demand versus energy charges.

29. **Mass. EFSC 83-24**, New England Electric System forecast of electric resources and requirements; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 14 1983, Rebuttal, February 2 1984.

Need for transmission line. Status of supply plan, especially Seabrook 2. Review of interconnection requirements. Analysis of cost-effectiveness for power transfer, line losses, generation assumptions.

30. **Mich. PSC U-7775**, Detroit Edison Fuel Cost Recovery Plan; Public Interest Research Group in Michigan. February 21 1984.

Review of proposed performance target for new nuclear power plant. Formulation of alternative proposals.

31. **Mass. DPU 84-25**, Western Massachusetts Electric Company rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 6 1984.

Need for Millstone 3. Cost of completing and operating unit, cost-effectiveness compared to alternatives, and its effect on rates. Equity and incentive problems created by CWIP. Design of Millstone 3 phase-in proposals to protect ratepayers: limitation of base-rate treatment to fuel savings benefit of unit.

32. **Mass. DPU 84-49 and 84-50**, Fitchburg Gas & Electric financing case; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 13 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook nuclear units. Probability of completing Seabrook 2. Recommendations regarding FG&E and MDPU actions with respect to Seabrook.

33. **Mich. PSC U-7785**, Consumers Power fuel-cost-recovery plan; Public Interest Research Group in Michigan. April 16 1984.

Review of proposed performance targets for two existing and two new nuclear power plants. Formulation of alternative policy.

34. **FERC ER81-749-000 and ER82-325-000**, Montaup Electric rate cases; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 27 1984.

Prudence of Montaup and Boston Edison in decisions regarding Pilgrim 2 construction: Montaup's decision to participate, the Utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, Montaup's failure to question Edison's decisions, and the utilities' delay in canceling the unit.

35. **Maine PUC 84-113**, Seabrook-1 investigation; Maine Public Advocate. September 13 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook Unit 1. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives. Rate effects. Recommendations regarding utility and PUC actions with respect to Seabrook.

36. **Mass. DPU 84-145**, Fitchburg Gas and Electric rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 6 1984.

Prudence of Fitchburg and Public Service of New Hampshire in decision regarding Seabrook 2 construction: FGE's decision to participate, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, FGE's failure to question PSNH's decisions, and utilities' delay in halting construction and canceling the unit. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

37. **Penn. PUC R-842651**, Pennsylvania Power and Light rate case; Pennsylvania Consumer Advocate. November 1984.

Need for Susquehanna 2. Cost of operating unit, power output, cost-effectiveness compared to alternatives, and its effect on rates. Design of phase-in and excess capacity proposals to protect ratepayers: limitation of base-rate treatment to fuel savings benefit of unit.

38. **N.H. PSC 84-200**, Seabrook Unit-1 investigation; New Hampshire Public Advocate. November 15 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook Unit 1. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives. Rate and financial effects.

39. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1986 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 1984.

Profit-margin calculations, including methodology and implementation.

40. **Mass. DPU 84-152**, Seabrook Unit 1 investigation; Massachusetts Attorney General. December 12 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Seabrook capacity factors.

41. **Maine PUC 84-120**; Central Maine Power rate case; Maine PUC Staff. December 11 1984.

Prudence of Central Maine Power and Boston Edison in decisions regarding Pilgrim 2 construction: CMP's decision to participate, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, CMP's failure to question Edison's decisions, and the utilities' delay in canceling the unit. Prudence of CMP in the planning and investment in Sears Island nuclear and coal plants. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

42. **Maine PUC 84-113**, Seabrook 2 investigation; Maine PUC Staff. December 14 1984.

Prudence of Maine utilities and Public Service of New Hampshire in decisions regarding Seabrook 2 construction: decisions to participate and to increase ownership share, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, failure to question PSNH's decisions, and the utilities' delay in halting construction and canceling the unit. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

43. **Mass. DPU 1627**, Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company financing case; Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy Resources. January 14 1985.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook nuclear unit 1. Cost of conservation and other alternatives to completing Seabrook. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives.

44. **Vt. PSB 4936**, Millstone 3 costs and in-service date; Vermont Department of Public Service. January 21 1985.

Construction schedule and cost of completing Millstone Unit 3.

45. **Mass. DPU 84-276**, rules governing rates for utility purchases of power from qualifying facilities; Massachusetts Attorney General. March 25 1985 and October 18 1985.

Institutional and technological advantages of Qualifying Facilities. Potential for QF development. Goals of QF rate design. Parity with other power sources. Security requirements. Projecting avoided costs. Capacity credits. Pricing options. Line loss corrections.

46. **Mass. DPU 85-121**, investigation of the Reading Municipal Light Department; Wilmington (Mass.) Chamber of Commerce. November 12 1985.

Calculation on return on investment for municipal utility. Treatment of depreciation and debt for ratemaking. Geographical discrimination in street-lighting rates. Relative size of voluntary payments to Reading and other towns. Surplus and disinvestment. Revenue allocation.

47. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1986 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau. November 1985.

Profit margin calculations, including methodology, implementation, modeling of investment balances, income, and return to shareholders.

48. **N.M. PSC 1833, Phase II**; El Paso Electric rate case; New Mexico Attorney General. December 23 1985.

Nuclear decommissioning fund design. Internal and external funds; risk and return; fund accumulation, recommendations. Interim performance standard for Palo Verde nuclear plant.

49. **Penn. PUC R-850152**, Philadelphia Electric rate case; Utility Users Committee and University of Pennsylvania. January 14 1986.

Limerick-1 rate effects. Capacity benefits, fuel savings, operating costs, capacity factors, and net benefits to ratepayers. Design of phase-in proposals.

50. **Mass. DPU 85-270**;; Western Massachusetts Electric rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. March 19 1986.

Prudence of Northeast Utilities in generation planning related to Millstone 3 construction: decisions to start and continue construction, failure to reduce ownership share, failure to pursue alternatives. Review of industry literature, cost and schedule histories, and retrospective cost-benefit analyses.

51. **Penn. PUC R-850290**, Philadelphia Electric auxiliary service rates; Albert Einstein Medical Center, University of Pennsylvania, and Amtrak. March 24 1986.

Review of utility proposals for supplementary and backup rates for small power producers and cogenerators. Load diversity, cost of peaking capacity, value of generation, price signals, and incentives. Formulation of alternative supplementary rate.

52. **N.M. PSC 2004**, Public Service of New Mexico Palo Verde issues; New Mexico Attorney General. May 7 1986.

Recommendations for power-plant performance standards for Palo Verde nuclear units 1, 2, and 3.

53. **Ill. Commerce Commission 86-0325**, Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Co. rate investigation; Illinois Office of Public Counsel. August 13 1986.

Determination of excess capacity based on reliability and economic concerns. Identification of specific units associated with excess capacity. Required reserve margins.

54. **N.M. PSC 2009**, El Paso Electric rate moderation program; New Mexico Attorney General. August 18 1986. (Not presented).

Prudence of EPE in generation planning related to Palo Verde nuclear construction, including failure to reduce ownership share and failure to pursue alternatives. Review of industry literature, cost and schedule histories, and retrospective cost-benefit analyses.

Recommendation for rate-base treatment; proposal of power plant performance standards.

55. **City of Boston Public Improvements Commission**, transfer of Boston Edison district heating steam system to Boston Thermal Corporation; Boston Housing Authority. December 18 1986.

History and economics of steam system; possible motives of Boston Edison in seeking sale; problems facing Boston Thermal; information and assurances required prior to Commission approval of transfer.

56. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1987 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau. December 1986 and January 1987.

Profit margin calculations, including methodology, implementation, derivation of cash flows, installment income, income tax status, and return to shareholders.

57. **Mass. DPU 87-19**, petition for adjudication of development facilitation program; Hull (Mass.) Municipal Light Plant. January 21 1987.

Estimation of potential load growth; cost of generation, transmission, and distribution additions. Determination of hook-up charges. Development of residential load estimation procedure reflecting appliance ownership, dwelling size.

58. **N.M. PSC 2004**, Public Service of New Mexico nuclear decommissioning fund; New Mexico Attorney General. February 19 1987.

Decommissioning cost and likely operating life of nuclear plants. Review of utility funding proposal. Development of alternative proposal. Ratemaking treatment.

59. **Mass. DPU 86-280**, Western Massachusetts Electric rate case; Massachusetts Energy Office. March 9 1987.

Marginal cost rate design issues. Superiority of long-run marginal cost over short-run marginal cost as basis for rate design. Relationship of Consumer reaction, utility planning process, and regulatory structure to rate design approach. Implementation of short-run and long-run rate designs. Demand versus energy charges, economic development rates, spot pricing.

60. **Mass. Division of Insurance 87-9**, 1987 Workers' Compensation rate filing; State Rating Bureau. May 1987.

Profit-margin calculations, including methodology, implementation, surplus requirements, investment income, and effects of 1986 Tax Reform Act.

61. **Texas PUC 6184**, economic viability of South Texas Nuclear Plant #2; Committee for Consumer Rate Relief. August 17 1987.

Nuclear plant operating parameter projections; capacity factor, O&M, capital additions, decommissioning, useful life. STNP-2 cost and schedule projections. Potential for conservation.

62. **Minn. PUC ER-015/GR-87-223**, Minnesota Power rate case; Minnesota Department of Public Service. August 17 1987.

Excess capacity on MP system; historical, current, and projected. Review of MP planning prudence prior to and during excess; efforts to sell capacity. Cost of excess capacity. Recommendations for ratemaking treatment.

63. **Mass. Division of Insurance 87-27**, 1988 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau. September 2 1987. Rebuttal October 8 1987.

Underwriting profit margins. Effect of 1986 Tax Reform Act. Biases in calculation of average margins.

64. **Mass. DPU 88-19**, power Sales Contract from Riverside Steam and Electric to Western Massachusetts Electric; Riverside Steam and Electric. November 4 1987.

Comparison of risk from QF contract and utility avoided-cost sources. Risk of oil dependence. Discounting cash flows to reflect risk.

65. **Mass. Division of Insurance 87-53**, 1987 Workers' Compensation rate refiling; State Rating Bureau. December 14 1987.

Profit-margin calculations including updating of data, compliance with Commissioner's order, treatment of surplus and risk, interest rate calculation, and investment tax rate calculation.

66. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, 1987 and 1988 automobile insurance remand rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau. February 5 1988.

Underwriting profit margins. Provisions for income taxes on finance charges. Relationships between allowed and achieved margins, between statewide and nationwide data, and between profit allowances and cost projections.

67. **Mass. DPU 86-36**, investigation into the pricing and ratemaking treatment to be afforded new electric generating facilities which are not qualifying facilities; Conservation Law Foundation. May 2 1988.

Cost recovery for utility conservation programs. Compensating for lost revenues. Utility incentive structures.

68. **Mass. DPU 88-123**, petition of Riverside Steam & Electric Company; Riverside Steam and Electric Company. May 18 1988 and November 8 1988.

Estimation of avoided costs of Western Massachusetts Electric Company. Nuclear capacity factor projections and effects on avoided costs. Avoided cost of energy interchange and power plant life extensions. Differences between median and expected oil prices. Salvage value of cogeneration facility. Off-system energy purchase projections. Reconciliation of avoided cost projection.

69. **Mass. DPU 88-67**, Boston Gas Company; Boston Housing Authority. June 17 1988.

Estimation of annual avoidable costs, 1988 to 2005, and levelized avoided costs. Determination of cost recovery and carrying costs for conservation investments. Standards for assessing conservation cost-effectiveness. Evaluation of cost-effectiveness of utility funding of proposed natural gas conservation measures.

70. **R.I. PUC 1900**, Providence Water Supply Board tariff filing; Conservation Law Foundation, Audubon Society of Rhode Island, and League of Women Voters of Rhode Island. June 24 1988.

Estimation of avoidable water supply costs. Determination of costs of water conservation. Conservation cost-benefit analysis.

71. **Mass. Division of Insurance 88-22**, 1989 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau; Profit Issues, August 12 1988, supplemented August 19 1988; Losses and Expenses, September 16 1988.

Underwriting profit margins. Effects of 1986 Tax Reform Act. Taxation of common stocks. Lag in tax payments. Modeling risk and return over time. Treatment of finance charges. Comparison of projected and achieved investment returns.

72. **Vt. PSB 5270 Module 6**, investigation into least-cost investments, energy efficiency, conservation, and the management of demand for energy; Conservation Law Foundation, Vermont Natural Resources Council, and Vermont Public Interest Research Group. September 26 1988.

Cost recovery for utility conservation programs. Compensation of utilities for revenue losses and timing differences. Incentive for utility participation.

73. **Vt. House of Representatives, Natural Resources Committee**, House Act 130; "Economic Analysis of Vermont Yankee Retirement"; Vermont Public Interest Research Group. February 21 1989.

Projection of capacity factors, operating and maintenance expense, capital additions, overhead, replacement power costs, and net costs of Vermont Yankee.

74. **Mass. DPU 88-67 Phase II**, Boston Gas company conservation program and rate design; Boston Gas Company. March 6 1989.

Estimation of avoided gas cost; treatment of non-price factors; estimation of externalities; identification of cost-effective conservation.

75. **Vt. PSB 5270**, status conference on conservation and load management policy settlement; Central Vermont Public Service, Conservation Law Foundation, Vermont Natural Resources Council, Vermont Public Interest Research Group, and Vermont Department of Public Service. May 1 1989.

Cost-benefit test for utility conservation programs. Role of externalities. Cost recovery concepts and mechanisms. Resource allocations, cost allocations, and equity considerations. Guidelines for conservation preapproval mechanisms. Incentive mechanisms and recovery of lost revenues.

76. **Boston Housing Authority Court 05099**, Gallivan Boulevard Task Force vs. Boston Housing Authority, et al.; Boston Housing Authority. June 16 1989.
- Effect of master-metering on consumption of natural gas and electricity. Legislative and regulatory mandates regarding conservation.
77. **Mass. DPU 89-100**, Boston Edison rate case; Massachusetts Energy Office. June 30 1989.
- Prudence of BECo's decision to spend \$400 million from 1986–88 on returning the Pilgrim nuclear power plant to service. Projections of nuclear capacity factors, O&M, capital additions, and overhead. Review of decommissioning cost, tax effect of abandonment, replacement power cost, and plant useful life estimates. Requirements for prudence and used-and-useful analyses.
78. **Mass. DPU 88-123**, petition of Riverside Steam and Electric Company; Riverside Steam and Electric. July 24 1989. Rebuttal, October 3 1989.
- Reasonableness of Northeast Utilities' 1987 avoided cost estimates. Projections of nuclear capacity factors, economy purchases, and power plant operating life. Treatment of avoidable energy and capacity costs and of off-system sales. Expected versus reference fuel prices.
79. **Mass. DPU 89-72**, Statewide Towing Association police-ordered towing rates; Massachusetts Automobile Rating Bureau. September 13 1989.
- Review of study supporting proposed increase in towing rates. Critique of study sample and methodology. Comparison to competitive rates. Supply of towing services. Effects of joint products and joint sales on profitability of police-ordered towing. Joint testimony with I. Goodman.
80. **Vt. PSB 5330**, application of Vermont utilities for approval of a firm power and energy contract with Hydro-Quebec; Conservation Law Foundation, Vermont Natural Resources Council, Vermont Public Interest Research Group. December 19 1989. Surrebuttal February 6 1990.
- Analysis of a proposed 450-MW, 20-year purchase of Hydro-Quebec power by twenty-four Vermont utilities. Comparison to efficiency investment in Vermont, including potential for efficiency savings. Analysis of Vermont electric energy supply. Identification of possible improvements to proposed contract.
- Critique of conservation potential analysis. Planning risk of large supply additions. Valuation of environmental externalities.
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ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS

APS	Alleghany Power	ISO	Independent System Operator
ASLB	Atomic Safety and Licensing Board	LRAM	Lost-Revenue-Adjustment Mechanism
BEP	Board of Environmental Protection	NARUC	National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners
BPU	Board of Public Utilities	NEPOOL	New England Power Pool
BRC	Board of Regulatory Commissioners	NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
CMP	Central Maine Power	OCA	Office of Consumer Advocate
DER	Department of Environmental Regulation	PSB	Public Service Board
DPS	Department of Public Service	PBR	Performance-based Regulation
DQE	Duquesne Light	PSC	Public Service Commission
DPUC	Department of Public Utilities Control	PUC	Public Utility Commission
DSM	Demand-Side Management	PUB	Public Utilities Board
DTE	Department of Telecommunications and Energy	PURPA	Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act
EAB	Environmental Assessment Board	SCC	State Corporation Commission
EFSB	Energy Facilities Siting Board	UARB	Utility and Review Board
EFSC	Energy Facilities Siting Council	USAEE	U.S. Association of Energy Economists
EUB	Energy and Utilities Board	UTC	Utilities and Transportation Commission
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission		

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Exhibit PLC-2

PGW Avoided Costs

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The economic evaluation of an energy-efficiency measure requires an estimate of the measure's benefits. The major benefit of gas energy-efficiency programs is the reduction of gas use and associated costs to customers. Those avoided costs may be passed on to customers by the utility, third-party suppliers, or both, but they are all eventually paid by customers.

Electric avoided costs are often computed for a number of cost drivers, such as summer and winter contribution to system peak load, and seasonal energy use for on- and off-peak periods. In the cost-benefit computation, analysts estimate the effect of a proposed measure or program on each of the cost drivers. The benefit of the energy-efficiency proposal is then estimated by multiplying the energy savings for each cost driver by the per-unit avoided cost for that driver, and adding up the benefits for all the drivers. This approach works well for evaluation of electric energy-efficiency programs, simplifying the costs of serving loads for 8,760 hours to a few cost drivers, which can be estimated for the wide variety of electric end uses (*e.g.*, residential and commercial space heating, space cooling, ventilation, water heating, refrigeration, indoor and outdoor lighting, clothes drying, cooking, computers and other plug loads, as well as a range of industrial loads).

Like most detailed analyses of avoided gas costs, this study's calculation of avoided costs is structured differently than that usually used to estimate electric avoided costs.

Planning and procurement for natural gas is primarily concerned with daily loads, rather than annual loads, so there are fewer load shapes. There are also fewer end uses for gas than electricity, since very little gas is used for lighting, refrigeration, or residential air conditioning, and no gas is used for computers or ventilation. Hence, it is feasible to compute avoided costs for the load shapes of the few gas end uses. In the cost-benefit analysis, the benefit of each energy-efficiency measure can be estimated as the measure's annual savings times a single load-specific avoided cost.

This load-shape approach to defining avoided costs allows for distinctions between the costs of different end uses that impose different costs, even for similar seasonal usage levels. An end use that does not vary with weather, such as cooking or clothes drying, may use the same amount of gas in the winter as a heating boiler, but the gas to serve the boiler will be more expensive. The boiler will predictably use more gas on very cold days, when gas is most expensive, and less on mild days, when gas is relatively cheap. Serving the boiler requires the reservation of enough pipeline capacity to meet load on typical cold days, and the construction of local transmission-and-distribution capacity and supplemental gas supplied to meet load on extraordinarily cold days. The boiler will use more gas on cold days, when regional gas demand is high and prices are high. The development of avoided cost by load shape allows for the reflection of these differences between loads even within a season or a month.

This estimate of avoided gas costs comprises the following four parts:

- Supply-area commodity costs: The price of futures contracts for delivery at Henry Hub, for normal-year weather.
- Commodity delivery costs: marginal pipeline and storage charges for gas delivered from Henry Hub to PGW's citygate in a normal year.
- Peaking capacity: The costs of local capacity to cover the difference between normal and design-peak conditions.
- Local transmission and distribution (T&D): The utility's cost of building, operating and maintaining the high-pressure transmission and lower-pressure distribution system in its service area

Supply-area Commodity Cost

We start with the forecast monthly gas price at Henry Hub for gas delivered evenly over the month for May 2014 through August 2026, at the April 10, 2014 closing NYMEX forward price for gas delivered to Henry Hub. For gas year 2013/14, we used settlement data from the ICE exchange to calculate gas prices for September 2013 through January 2014 and NYMEX forwards from January 15, 2014 for the February through April 2014. To extend this forecast beyond 2024, we used the forecast of Henry Hub prices from the 2014 Annual Energy Outlook by the Energy Information Administration of the Department of Energy. Since the 2026 AEO forecast price was 25% higher than the average of the 2026 futures, we gradually phased the futures prices upward, by $\frac{1}{8}$ of the price difference in 2019, $\frac{2}{8}$ of the price difference in 2020, up to $\frac{3}{8}$ in 2026. From 2027 through 2040, we inflate the AEO's Henry Hub gas price at a 2% escalation rate. Beyond 2040, we use the average AEO escalation rate for the last 14 years of the AEO forecast, about 4.6%.

Commodity Delivery Charges

For each month, we estimate the marginal delivery charge from the Texas Eastern tariff for deliveries from South Texas.¹ In the off-peak months of April through October, we assume that contract capacity is not a binding constraint and set the delivery charge at the difference between the variable commodity rate (\$0.1105/Dth) and the basis differential between South Texas and Henry Hub (-\$0.100).² In addition, the delivery costs include the 5.8% tariff transport fuel charge.

In the winter and shoulder months of November through March, we assume that marginal supply consists of 115 days of GSS storage and that demand contributes to the need for capacity. The 115 days of storage are distributed by percentage of annual heating degree days (HDD) with 25% of November days using storage, 68% of March days, and 100% of the days in December through February. Marginal supply requires transportation from South Texas to GSS, storage charges for capacity and demand, and transportation from GSS to city gate. Total fixed charges average \$2.28 per Dth-Day over the 115 days

¹ The rates on Texas Eastern, adjusted for delivery basis to the pipeline, are all quite similar.

² Prices have historically been lower in South Texas than at Henry Hub.

(\$21.88/Dth-month). Allocating the fixed charges in proportion to normal heating load per storage day, we get fixed cost of storage ranging from \$2.35 per Dth-Day in November climbing to \$3.25 per Dth-Day in January and tapering down to \$2.51 per Dth-Day in March. We add \$0.51/Dth in commodity charges for transportation, injection and withdrawal, and 11.7% fuel charges for transportation and GSS.

Storage is the marginal resource December through February, but in November and March, the storage costs are blended with demand driven transportation costs. For days utilizing transportation only, we assume a fixed charge of transportation is \$1.35 per Dth-Day (\$17.06/Dth-month). Added to this is a variable commodity rate of \$0.08/Dth and the 6.87% fuel charge. For November and March we calculate the monthly cost and fuel charge by averaging the transportation and storage costs by the number of days each service is used.

We assumed that these rates remain constant through the analysis period.

Load Shapes

From these forecast delivered prices, we computed annual delivered commodity costs for the following three load shapes:

- Baseload, including industrial processes, cooking, and clothes drying, modeled as using the same amount of gas every day.
- Space heating, modeled as using gas each day in proportion to daily heating degree days (HDD).
- Water heating, modeled as a mix of baseload and space-heating load. This approximation reflects the observation that gas usage by water-heating customers rises in the winter months, probably as a combination of higher standby losses and warmer water temperatures for baths, showers and washing.

Baseload Commodity

For baseload end uses, where use of gas does not vary with weather or the season, the analysis weights the forecast monthly gas price by the number of days in the month.

Space-Heating Commodity

The cost of commodity for space heating varies from the cost of baseload in two ways. First, the amount of gas used varies among months, and is concentrated in the higher-cost winter months. Second, within each month, space heating uses more gas on the colder days, when gas tends to be more expensive than the average for the month.

For the first factor, we assumed that the monthly use of gas for space heating is proportional to the monthly sum of daily heating degree days (HDDs). Heating degree days are the difference between the days' average temperature and a base temperature, at which space-heating use is assumed to be zero. That base temperature, or balance point, is lower than the temperature maintained by the thermostat, since the building is warmed by sun shining in the windows and by interior gains (waste heat) from lights, appliances, equipment, and people.

We used the monthly average HDDs with a base of 65° F for 1981-2010 published by NOAA.³

The second factor, the effect of the intra-month correlation of price and load, reflects the fact that heating loads use more gas on colder days within each month, and that prices tend to be higher on cold days.⁴ This correction was computed as the typical ratio of the heating-load-weighted market price to the average daily price for the month. Since the NYMEX prices are for gas delivered evenly over the month, multiplying that ratio by the NYMEX-based price forecast results in an estimate of the price of gas for heating load in the month.

- Demand for gas for electric generation, which varies during the month with oil prices and outages of coal and nuclear plants and between years as load grows and supplies change.
- Gas production capacity, which changes within winter months primarily due to freeze-ups of gas wells in producing areas, but changes significantly between years due to depletion and new additions (and sometimes hurricanes).

For this study, the intra-month price ratio was computed for each calendar month using data for 2012 and 2013. The analysis computes the ratio of load-weighted to average monthly price for each month.

Equation 1: Intra-Month Heating Price Ratio.

$$\text{intra - month heating price ratio} = \frac{\left[\frac{\sum_{\text{month}} HD_{\text{day}} \times P_{\text{day}}}{\sum_{\text{month}} HD_{\text{day}}} \right]}{\left[\frac{\sum_{\text{month}} P_{\text{day}}}{\# \text{ days in the month}} \right]}$$

where HD_{day} = heating degree-days for the day
 P_{day} = delivered price for the day

The ratios tend to be highest in the winter and close to 1.00 in the shoulder months. The heating commodity cost for each year is the sum across months of the following product:

³ Summary of Monthly Normals 1981-2010; Station: Philadelphia International Airport (KPHL); National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/land-based-station-data/climate-normals/1981-2010-normals-data>

⁴ The utility or a gas supplier can meet load in those high-load high-priced days with spot purchases, by reserving storage and associated transportation to the citygate, or by reserving additional pipeline capacity directly to the citygate. All these approaches impose costs that would not be needed for a load that was constant across the days of the month.

NYMEX monthly forward × monthly HDD % × intra-month price ratio

The annual heating commodity cost is significantly greater than the annual baseload commodity cost. The annual residential heating avoided cost, averaged over the period 2006–2025, is 35% greater than average annual baseload price. These differences can largely be explained by the fact that most of the heating usage is in the high-priced months of January, February, and December.

Water-Heating Commodity

Based on previous experience, the analysis assumed that water-heating load is similar in shape to 75% baseload and 25% space-heating load. The heating-like shape is probably attributable to a combination of higher standby losses and longer, hotter showers and baths in cold weather.

Commodity-Cost Summary

The attached spreadsheet shows avoided commodity costs for the three load shapes. The relationships among the prices for the various load shapes are as expected. The heating cost is higher than the water-heating cost, which is higher than the baseload cost. The average costs of utility gas supplies, which serve large amounts of heating load, tend to be much higher than the flat year-round gas supplies reflected in the baseload commodity costs. The average avoided commodity cost will similarly be more expensive than the avoided commodity cost for a flat year-round gas supply.

Peaking Capacity Cost

In addition to buying and delivering the gas required in a normal year, a gas utility must be prepared to meet much higher loads on an extremely cold (design-peak) day.⁵ The prices for gas in a normal year do not include the costs of reserving capacity and supplies to meet design-day conditions. Those design loads are normally met by local storage (liquefied natural gas) and/or peaking off-system storage and associated transportation. We used a value of \$80/year per Dth-day, based on the Texas Eastern SS-1B rate. Since baseload has no increment of sendout on the design peak over average conditions, it would not have any peaking capacity charges.

While actual gas-system supply planning is quite complex, the problem was simplified by assuming that peaking capacity is required for the difference between sendout on a design peak day and on the average of the peak day in the two years. PGW's design day is 65 degree days, which was actually experienced on January 17, 1982. This design day level is 35 HDD higher than the average load in the winter months. Spread over 4,613 HDD in a normal year, peaking capacity requires backup of about 0.0075 Dth-day of capacity per Dth of usage, or about \$0.70/Dth of heating load. We assume that the costs of peaking capacity rise at 2%, with inflation.

⁵ Energy supplies must also be sufficient to meet colder-than-normal weather for days or weeks at a time.

Exhibit PLC-3

Projection of PECO Avoided Costs Consistent with PGW Avoided-Cost Assumptions

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In addition to gas, some PGW programs save electricity. Evaluation of those programs requires forecasts of the avoided cost of electricity in Philadelphia. We started with the values and approaches in “PECO Program Years 2013-2015 Act 129 – Revised Phase II Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan” (January 24, 2013) and adjusted the values to be consistent with updated data and with the PGW avoided costs.

We used the same assumptions regarding gas price escalation and general inflation as in the PGW avoided costs.

Avoided Generation Energy

For avoided PECO energy costs, we used the PECO zone monthly day-ahead forwards (NYMEX products 4N and 4P), as of April 17, 2014, for the period through December 2015. For months for which no PECO price was reported, we interpolated between the months with reported prices, in proportion to the reported PJM Western Hub day-ahead forwards (NYMEX products J4 and E4). In each month, we computed the avoided energy cost for two periods (on- and off-peak, as defined by NYMEX).¹

From January 2016 through 2018, we escalated the PECO monthly market prices by the growth in the PJM Western Hub day-ahead forwards, where available, or the PJM Western Hub real-time forwards (NYMEX products L1 and JP). From 2019 through 2025, we escalated the energy prices by the NYMEX Henry Hub gas prices (NYMEX product NG), plus the adders necessary to bring

¹ This on-peak period is broader than the on-peak period defined by PECO, but it is the version for which forward prices are available.

the NYMEX forwards up to the Henry Hub reference price forecast in the EIA's 2014 Annual Energy Outlook. From 2026 on, we use the Henry Hub escalation in the Annual Energy Outlook, corrected to a 2% general inflation rate.

This approach is very similar to that described by the PAPUC in Docket No. M 2009-2108601, which used the PJM Western Hub forwards for the first five years, Henry Hub for the next five years, and the AEO gas escalator thereafter. We used slightly more precise and relevant forwards that are now available, including the PECO forwards for about one year, the PJM western-hub forwards for three years, the Henry Hub forwards phasing into the AEO forecast for seven years, and the AEO forecast thereafter.

Avoided Generation Capacity

We started with the results for the MAAC zone (the price applicable for PECO customers) of PJM's last three base-residual auctions, for the following delivery years (June through May):

- 2014/15: \$136.50/MW-day, or \$49.82/kW-yr.
- 2015/16: \$167.46/MW-day, or \$61.12/kW-yr.
- 2016/17: \$119.13/MW-day, or \$43.48/kW-yr.

We estimated the cost for each calendar year as the weighted average of five months in the delivery year ending in the calendar year and seven months in the next calendar year. For computing the 2017 capacity price, we assumed that the 2017/18 price would be the average of the prices applicable to PECO for 2012/13 through as 2016/17 in real terms, or \$62.78/kW-yr.² To these prices paid to resources, we added 22% to cover the required reserve margin, the extra reserves required by PJM whenever the market-clearing price is less than the ceiling price, and peak line losses.³ We assumed that the price would remain at the 2017 level in real terms. Over 16,000 MW of new generic gas-fired combustion-turbine and

² The actual price for the MAAC zone in BRA 2017/18 was \$120/MW-day or \$41.40/kW-yr.

³ The reserve requirements vary from year to year, depending on the results of PJM's reliability analysis and the market-clearing price, and PJM does not appear to publish estimates of line losses.

combined-cycle plants have cleared in the last three recent auctions, of which at least 12,000 MW cleared at less than \$61/MW-day, including at least 6,000 MW in MAAC. These results suggest that our projected capacity prices are sufficient to bring new capacity on line as older coal plants retire.

The resulting values are shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Avoided Generation Capacity Costs (2014\$)

Calendar Year	Capacity Cost (\$/kW-yr)
2015	\$67.89
2016	\$56.70
2017 and after	\$72.61

The institution of the PJM Capacity Performance is likely to increase prices starting with the 2016/17 delivery years. Our analysis was completed prior to PJM's Capacity Performance proposal, which is under consideration by FERC as of April 2015.

Avoided T&D

We took the avoided T&D costs in dollars per kWh from Table D-2 of PECO's Revised Phase II Act 129 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan for Program Years 2013-2015, PECO Exhibit No. 2. The avoided T&D costs are presented separately for residential, small C&I and large C&I. We weighted the avoided T&D costs 85% residential, 10% small C&I and 5% large C&I, roughly reflecting the mix of participants in PGW energy-efficiency programs.

The weighted avoided T&D costs are about \$0.056/kWh.