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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
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SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY OF PAUL CHERNICK

1. Neither CL&P nor UI have yet demonstrated that they have earned the incentive fee for TSO procurement.
2. The utility evidence in this docket on regional average generation service prices does not adjust prices in other jurisdictions for numerous variables that affect those prices. This testimony specifies many such variables.
3. Once CL&P and UI have corrected their data for such variables, they also must provide a reasonable demonstration that any savings for their customers identified resulted from management acumen.

1 **I. Identification and Qualifications**

2 **Q: Mr. Chernick, 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: Summarize your professional education and experience.**

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

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

19 My work has considered, among other things, the cost-effectiveness of
20 prospective new generation plants and transmission lines, retrospective review
21 of generation-planning decisions, ratemaking for plant under construction,
22 ratemaking for excess and/or uneconomical plant entering service, conservation
23 program design, cost recovery for utility efficiency programs, the valuation of
24 environmental externalities from energy production and use, allocation of costs
25 of service between rate classes and jurisdictions, design of retail and wholesale

1 rates, and performance-based ratemaking and cost recovery in restructured gas
2 and electric industries. My professional qualifications are further summarized
3 in Exhibit OCC-PC-1.

4 **Q: Have you testified previously in utility proceedings?**

5 A: Yes. I have testified approximately two hundred times on utility issues before
6 various regulatory, legislative, and judicial bodies, including the Arizona
7 Commerce Commission, Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control,
8 District of Columbia Public Service Commission, Florida Public Service
9 Commission, Maryland Public Service Commission, Massachusetts Department
10 of Public Utilities, Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Council, Michigan
11 Public Service Commission, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission,
12 Mississippi Public Service Commission, New Mexico Public Service Commis-
13 sion, New Orleans City Council, New York Public Service Commission, North
14 Carolina Utilities Commission, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,
15 Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission, Rhode Island Public Utilities
16 Commission, South Carolina Public Service Commission, Texas Public Utilities
17 Commission, Utah Public Service Commission, Vermont Public Service Board,
18 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, West Virginia Public
19 Service Commission, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and the Atomic
20 Safety and Licensing Board of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

21 **Q: Have you testified previously before the Connecticut Department of Public**
22 **Utility Control (the Department)?**

23 A: Yes. I testified in
24 • Docket No. 83-03-01, a United Illuminating (UI) rate case, on behalf of the
25 Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC), on Seabrook costs.

- 1 • Docket No. 83-07-15, a Connecticut Light and Power (CL&P) rate case,
2 on behalf of Alloy Foundry, on industrial rate design.
- 3 • Docket No. 99-02-05, the CL&P stranded-cost docket.
- 4 • Docket No. 99-03-04, the UI stranded-cost docket.
- 5 • Docket No. 99-03-35, the UI standard-offer docket.
- 6 • Docket No. 99-03-36 (initial phase), the CL&P-standard-offer docket.
- 7 • Docket No. 99-08-01, investigation into electric capacity and distribution.
- 8 • Docket No. 99-09-12, the nuclear-divestiture plan for CL&P and UI.
- 9 • Docket No. 99-09-03, on the performance-based ratemaking proposal of
10 Connecticut Natural Gas.
- 11 • Docket No. 99-09-12 RE01, on the Millstone auction.
- 12 • Docket No. 99-03-36 RE03, on CL&P's Generation Services Charge.
- 13 • Dockets Nos. 99-04-18 Phase 3 and 99-09-03 Phase 2, on the proposed
14 earnings-sharing mechanism of Southern Connecticut Natural Gas and
15 Connecticut Natural Gas.
- 16 • Docket No. 03-07-02, on behalf of AARP, on the distribution investment
17 plan and rates for CL&P.
- 18 • Docket No. 03-07-01, on behalf of AARP, on the application of the rate
19 cap to CL&P's transitional standard offer.

20 Except as noted, this testimony was on behalf of the OCC. I also testified
21 on behalf of the OCC in Connecticut Siting Council Docket No. 217, on the
22 proposed transmission upgrades to southwestern Connecticut.

23 **II. Introduction and Summary**

24 **Q: On whose behalf are you testifying?**

25 A: My testimony is sponsored by the Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC).

1 **Q: What is the purpose of your direct testimony?**

2 A: I have been asked to examine the analyses that Connecticut Light and Power
3 (CL&P) and United Illuminating (UI) have filed, in support of their requests for
4 incentive payments for procuring transitional-standard-offer (TSO) generation
5 services for 2004, and to determine whether they demonstrate that the utilities
6 have met the standard set forth by the Legislature.

7 **Q: What is that standard?**

8 A: The relevant language is:

9 In addition [to fixed compensation], each electric distribution company
10 may earn compensation for mitigating the prices of the contracts for the
11 provision of electric generation services, as provided in subdivision (2) of
12 this subsection.¹ Conn. Gen. Stats. Section 16-244c(b)(4)(A) as amended
13 by PA 03-135

14 The incentive plan shall be based upon a comparison of the actual average
15 firm full requirements service contract price for electricity obtained by the
16 electric distribution company compared to the regional average firm full
17 requirements service contract price for electricity, adjusted for such
18 variables as the department deems appropriate, including, but not limited
19 to, differences in locational marginal pricing. Conn. Gen. Stats. Section 16-
20 244c(b)(4)(B), as amended by PA 03-135

21 **Q: Have the utilities filed such a comparison?**

22 A: Yes, in part.

23 Connecticut Light and Power filed a table showing the annual average
24 price charged for TSO-like generation services by CL&P, UI, and ten other New
25 England utilities, including two different services for CL&P's affiliate Western
26 Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECo) (CL&P Exhibit 1). That analysis
27 excludes the generation services that CL&P identified as not reflecting market

¹The reference to "subdivision (2)" appears to be a typographical error, which apparently should read "subdivision (B)."

1 prices. For each such service, CL&P reports the price of the service, and an
2 adjustment to reflect the difference from the particular utility's zone to the
3 Connecticut zone in ISO-NE location-based marginal prices for energy. The
4 adjustment for each service is the average over the year of load-weighted day-
5 ahead location-based marginal prices.²

6 United Illuminating simply used CL&P's analysis for 2004. UI apparently
7 used its own data and a similar approach for 2005, but the utility has not
8 documented its analysis.

9 **Q: Why does CL&P's filing only partially address the standard in Public Act**
10 **03-135?**

11 A: Most importantly, the prices are adjusted for only one variable, LBMP. As I
12 discuss in §IV, many additional variables affect the pricing of generation
13 services. In addition, incentives should be provided for superior performance,
14 not merely for accidental achievement of good results. Payment of an incentive
15 to a utility would normally depend on the utility's demonstrating that good
16 results were caused by utility acumen and effort.

17 The law itself is quite clear on this latter point, stating that a utility "may
18 earn compensation for mitigating the prices of the contracts for the provision of
19 electric generation services" (Conn. Gen. Stats., Section 16-244c(b)(4)(A)).

20 **Q: What are your recommendations to the Department in this matter?**

21 A: I recommend that the Department find that the utilities have not developed
22 appropriate adjustments for variables other than the locational energy prices and
23 reject the utility filings. The Department should let the utilities refile, once they
24 have performed the following tasks:

²The prices are weighted across hours in the month by load in the zone, weighted across months by monthly generation service sales.

- 1 • gathered the data necessary to compare their TSO service to other utilities’
2 generation-service offerings, in terms of load characteristics, scope of
3 service, risk and timing, as described in §IV of this testimony;
4 • developed reasonable means for valuing the differences in generation
5 services among utilities;
6 • corrected their comparisons with the regional average price to reflect those
7 valuations;
8 • demonstrated that any remaining positive differential between the regional
9 average and their generation-service prices can be reasonably attributed to
10 the utilities’ care and effort in procuring TSO service.

11 **III. Accuracy of the Computations**

12 **Q: Have you been able to review CL&P’s computations?**

13 A: Only in part. CL&P provided the data in electronic form on September 15. In
14 the few days available, I have found these two errors in the computations:

- 15 • The prices for the standard-offer services from Central Maine Power
16 (CMP) and Bangor Hydro Electric (BHE) omitted prices for January and
17 February 2004. The prices in these two months were lower than the
18 average for 2004. It is not clear why CL&P omitted the data from these
19 two months. The Maine PUC appears to have acquired power for these
20 months in the same competitive process as it used for the rest of 2004.
21 • In adjusting prices for the differences in locational energy prices, CL&P
22 added the locational differential, measured in dollars per MWh, to the
23 kilowatts of CMP and BHE kW billing demand charges, as if they were
24 energy rather than demand charges. This error slightly overstates the CMP-
25 and BHE-adjusted generation-service prices.

1 These relatively obvious errors in CL&P's analysis raise the question of
2 whether there are other errors in the analysis that I have not yet noticed.³

3 **IV. Other Variables Relevant to a Comparison of Generation-Service Prices**

4 **Q: Other than LBMP, for what other variables should generation-service**
5 **prices be adjusted?**

6 A: I have identified a number of such variables, which can be aggregated into four
7 groups:

- 8 • Timing: when the power was acquired, for what period of time, and with
9 what lead time.
- 10 • Risk and certainty: the potential for rates to change in response to market
11 conditions.
- 12 • Nature of the load: shape of load, weather sensitivity, and risk of migration.
- 13 • The scope of costs included in the TSO-equivalent charge: the costs the
14 Connecticut utilities recover through their Federally Mandated Congestion
15 Charges (FMCC), transmission, losses, uncollectibles, wholesale procure-
16 ment costs, utility retail costs, and out-of-period adjustments.

17 **Q: Do the utilities' filings address these variables and their effect on the**
18 **comparison of TSO-equivalent charges?**

19 A: No.

20 **Q: Do the utilities address these variables in response to discovery?**

21 A: Only to the extent that they stated that they had no information regarding most
22 of the variables. CL&P provided some data for WMECo, but said that "The

³Since CL&P did not provide its source documents, I was not able to check most of its input values.

1 remaining requested information that has not been provided is either not readily
2 available or unavailable due to its proprietary nature” (IR OCC-CL&P-1).
3 United Illuminating responded that it “does not have the information requested
4 for the Eligible or Alternate Comparison Population rates.” (IR OCC-UI-4).

5 It is possible that some of the information on the timing, scope, load, and
6 risk variables would not have been available, even had the utilities sought that
7 information. But CL&P was able to find monthly generation-service sales by
8 class for each of the utilities.⁴ I was able to find some additional relevant
9 information, mostly on timing, even in the short time available to me. Much
10 more would have been available if CL&P and UI had looked for it.

11 Interestingly, neither CL&P or UI provided responses regarding these
12 variables for their own TSO procurement. Very little data about the CL&P or
13 UI acquisitions are available publicly, so it is not possible to evaluate their TSO
14 supply in terms of risk, load or scope in the present case.

15 **A. *Timing Variables***

16 **Q: What timing variables may affect the pricing of generation service?**

17 A: The price that power suppliers charge for generation service can vary according
18 to the following factors:

- 19 • the date(s) at which the power-supply is acquired,
- 20 • the duration of the period for which the power was acquired (e.g., three
21 months, six months, one year, two years),
- 22 • the lead time between the acquisition and the delivery of power,

⁴Those data would have allowed CL&P or UI to address some of the load variables identified in this testimony and in OCC’s discovery. Neither utility made any effort to use the data they had to adjust the generation-service prices.

- 1 • whether the power acquired for 2004 was bundled with power acquired for
2 other periods.

3 **Q: Why does the price of generation service vary with the date at which the**
4 **power-supply is acquired?**

5 A: Markets for a fixed forward power product (e.g., 50 MWh per hour for June
6 2004) will vary over time as a result of changing expectations for supply,
7 demand, weather, fuel prices, and other factors.

8 **Q: Was the timing of CL&P's and UI's acquisition of TSO for 2004 supply the**
9 **result of decisions by utility management?**

10 A: No. For 2004, the utilities had little discretion with respect to the timing of
11 acquiring their TSO supply. The bill became effective July 1, 2003 and the
12 Department approved the TSO-acquisition guidelines on August 20, 2003. The
13 utilities needed to acquire TSO supply well before the beginning of 2004, in part
14 so that the Department could establish the overall TSO rate for each company
15 by December 15, 2003.

16 In future proceedings, when the Department evaluates utility entitlement
17 to the TSO procurement incentive for 2005 and 2006, CL&P may be able to
18 show that it successfully applied management acumen to TSO procurement
19 when more flexibility in timing was available to it.

20 **Q: Why does the price of generation service vary with the duration of the**
21 **period for which the power is acquired?**

22 A: A longer duration exposes the power supplier to greater risk in at least three
23 ways.

24 First, if the contract price is the same in each month (as it is for many utili-
25 ties' generation services), representing some sort of average across the supplier's
26 expected cost in the various months, suppliers run the risk that customers may

1 use more energy than expected in the expensive months, and less in inexpensive
2 months. The more months covered by the averaged price, the more the supplier
3 is at risk, especially as the period stretches to include different seasons.

4 Second, the further out the acquisition goes, the greater the supplier's risk
5 that market prices and market rules will change, encouraging customers to
6 migrate from or to the utility's generation service and leaving the supplier to
7 absorb the costs of buying or selling in an unfavorable market.

8 Third, longer acquisitions provide more time for economic slowdowns or
9 booms to change the amount of energy required by generation service, again
10 leaving the supplier at risk of selling into a soft market or buying in a high-cost
11 market.

12 **Q: Given these considerations, why would any utility or agency purchase**
13 **power for more than a few months at a time?**

14 A: Consumers value stability and predictability in rates, which requires procure-
15 ment for a longer period and averaging of prices over that period. Each regula-
16 tory agency (and, in some cases, the utilities as well) must consider the balance
17 of risk, volatility, stability, and expected price.

18 **Q: Why does the price of generation service depend on lead time?**

19 A: The lag between the contract date and the delivery date for energy creates the
20 same problems as does a long duration for the contract, including risks of
21 changes in market prices and market rules, customer migration from or to the
22 utility's generation service, and changes in economic activity.

23 **Q: Was lead time for the 2004 TSO acquisition the result of decisions by utility**
24 **management?**

25 A: No. The enactment of Public Act 03-135 gave the utilities a very narrow
26 window in which to acquire power.

1 **Q: Why would the price of generation service in 2004 depend on whether**
2 **power was acquired for parts of 2003 or 2005 in the same acquisition?**

3 A: In some procurement approaches, bidders offer a single price for the entire
4 acquisition, including both 2004 and other periods. The process of averaging
5 with other periods may thus change the price paid by consumers in 2004.

6 In other approaches, bidders would offer different prices by month or by
7 year, but the selected bid may have an anomalously low (or high) price for 2004,
8 subsidizing higher (or lower) prices in other parts of the procurement period.

9 **Q: Did UI and CL&P management have choices about whether to acquire**
10 **power for 2004 in conjunction with acquisitions for earlier or later years?**

11 A: Yes, to some extent. The legislative and regulatory schedule precluded acquisi-
12 tion of 2004 power with power for 2003, but left open the option of acquiring
13 power for longer periods. While UI chose to acquire power for 2005 and 2006
14 at the same time as it acquired power for 2004, CL&P chose to acquire power
15 for 2004 alone. The evidence in this docket provides almost no basis upon
16 which the Department could evaluate whether either of these decisions reflected
17 management acumen.

18 **Q: Is it possible to determine whether UI's decision to purchase power for**
19 **three years turned out to save its customers money, compared to short-term**
20 **purchases?**

21 A: Not entirely, since the outcome still depends on pricing for 2006, the third year
22 of the UI acquisition. The price UI reports for 2006, 5.948¢/kWh (IR OCC-UI-
23 4), is likely to be less than the generation-service rates for other utilities;
24 whether that relationship holds up after adjustment for the factors I discuss
25 above remains to be seen.

26 **Q: Do these variables vary much among the utilities listed in CL&P Exhibit 1?**

1 A: Yes. Exhibit OCC-PC-2 summarizes the dates, lead time, duration, and annual
2 overlap of acquisition for the TSO-equivalent generation services for each of the
3 13 utilities represented in CL&P Exhibit 1. In particular,

- 4 • NStar and Granite Star acquired power for part of 2004 in April 2003,
5 while Fitchburg G&E did not acquire power for December 2004 until
6 October 2004.
- 7 • The Massachusetts utilities acquire industrial power for three months at a
8 time, while UI acquired power for thirty-six months.
- 9 • Granite State acquired power in April 2004 for deliveries starting in May
10 2004, a lead time of one month, while Narragansett acquired power in May
11 2003 for deliveries to start in March 2004, ten months later.
- 12 • While many of the acquisitions were for three months of supply, several
13 were for a year, and WMECo's SOS service was acquired for a period of
14 fourteen months.
- 15 • While CL&P's procurement covered calendar year 2004, other utility
16 procurements for 2004 also covered periods as early as May 2003 and as
17 late as August 2005.

18 **Q: Is there evidence that these timing factors affect the pricing of generation**
19 **service?**

20 A: Yes. The wholesale price of power for a given delivery date varies considerably
21 over time. The following table shows the forward prices quoted early in each
22 month for peak-period energy for July and August 2004.

**Forward Price for On-Peak
Delivery July–August 2004**

	\$/MWh
<i>Jul-03</i>	62.00
<i>Aug-03</i>	59.50
<i>Sep-03</i>	57.75
<i>Oct-03</i>	56.25
<i>Nov-03</i>	58.75
<i>Dec-03</i>	59.00
<i>Jan-04</i>	63.50
<i>Feb-04</i>	65.25
<i>Mar-04</i>	66.75
<i>Apr-04</i>	70.75
<i>May-04</i>	73.00
<i>Jun-04</i>	79.50

1 The price in June 2004 was 41% greater than the price in October 2003.

2 In a study commissioned by a group of gas and electric utilities in Massa-
3 chusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire, I found that the ratio of prices for
4 retail power-supply contracts to contemporaneous wholesale forward prices
5 appeared to increase with the lead time to delivery of the power. That lead time
6 to deliver is affected both by the lead time to the beginning of deliveries and by
7 the duration of the purchase. An excerpt from that study is attached as Exhibit
8 OCC-PC-3.

9 **Q: Have any of CL&P's affiliates expressed opinions regarding the effect of**
10 **these timing variables on the price of generation services?**

11 A: Yes. In its comments in Massachusetts DTE Docket No. 04-115, Western
12 Massachusetts Electric Company stated,

13 [Energy market] uncertainty increases as the term of the contract increases.
14 If suppliers are required to bid for a longer term an additional risk premium
15 almost certainly will be added. The result, then, is upward pressure on the
16 prices customers will have to pay.....

1 ...[S]oliciting one-third of supply every year for a three-year
2 period...[would] insert a greater risk premium into default service
3 procurement. WMECo Comments DTE 04-115, January 10 2005, at 8

4 **B. Risk Variables**

5 **Q: Why do risk and certainty in generation-service pricing affect the level of**
6 **those prices?**

7 A: If power suppliers assume the risks of increases in market prices, they must
8 charge higher prices to cover those risks. If the risks are transferred to electricity
9 consumers, consumers receive a lower-quality product, since they now bear
10 those risks. Sometimes the risk becomes a direct cash cost, as in the case of the
11 Massachusetts standard-offer rates that provided for upward adjustments if oil
12 and gas prices rose above specified levels.

13 In a variation on this approach, CL&P purchased about half its TSO power
14 at a fixed rate at the New England Hub, and left ratepayers at risk through the
15 FMCC for variations in the congestion-driven differentials in prices from the
16 Hub to Connecticut, as well as for capacity costs. This gamble may have paid
17 off in 2004. However, even if that is the case, CL&P would need to add a risk
18 premium to its high-risk price before directly comparing that price to the truly
19 fixed rates from the other utilities. If, after other adjustments, CL&P's
20 generation-service rate is \$0.5/MWh below the regional average, and the
21 additional risk is reasonably valued at \$0.7/MWh, CL&P's fully adjusted price
22 would be higher than the regional average, and CL&P would not be eligible for
23 the incentive.

24 **Q: Are there other differences in the treatment of risk in procurement of the**
25 **generation-service products in CL&P's Exhibit 1?**

1 A: Yes, at least two such differences. First, many observers believe that over-
2 lapping of purchases reduces customer price risk, by spreading purchases over
3 two or more procurements. Western Massachusetts Electric endorsed that con-
4 cept in 2004:

5 A single solicitation in which 100 percent of supply is procured at one time
6 exposes smaller customers to a considerable amount of price volatility. On
7 the other hand, conducting numerous solicitations in order to blend prices
8 serves to insulate customers unduly from market based pricing, and is
9 resource-intensive. It is obvious that a balance must be struck and the
10 Department arrived at an appropriate one in requiring a blended rate based
11 on laddered solicitations six months apart. WMECo Comments DTE 04-
12 115 at 7

13 Those comments appear to imply that WMECo believes the generation supply
14 from its affiliate, CL&P, was higher-risk than the laddered Massachusetts
15 procurements. The prices should be adjusted for that factor prior to comparison
16 across utilities.

17 Second, the utilities and agencies that select the power suppliers have
18 different rules regarding financial security, such as required ratings of bidders,
19 the nature of corporate guarantees, the scale of letters of credit required for
20 eligibility, and other considerations. For example, were the Connecticut utilities
21 less stringent than others in requiring letters of credit from bidders, that action
22 might result in lower prices but also less certainty of performance. In that
23 example, the Connecticut utilities' prices must be adjusted upward to account
24 for that risk, before comparison to other utilities' prices.⁵

⁵Default risk is likely to vary directly with the duration and lead time of the purchase, and would therefore be greater for CL&P's year-long purchase or UI's three-year purchase than for the utilities that purchased power every quarter. A year before Enron's collapse it was generally considered to be a financially secure trading partner.

1 **C. Load Variables**

2 **Q: What load variables affect the pricing of generation service?**

3 A: Data regarding the characteristics of the load are always of great importance in
4 the pricing of electric power supply. The shape of the load is so important in
5 determining costs that suppliers bidding to supply power to individual large
6 customers, or to aggregated load, typically want at least a year's data on hourly
7 load. The cost per kWh of supply is driven by the following factors:

- 8 • Load factor, which determines the number of kWh over which each kW of
9 capacity requirements is spread. The monthly load factors for various
10 classes and utilities vary from the mid-45 percent range to the mid-70s.
- 11 • The variation in energy requirements by month. As of January 2004, for
12 example, forward on-peak prices for the ISO-NE Hub were \$79/MWh for
13 February, \$55 for May, \$65 for July and August, and \$55/MWh for
14 October–December.
- 15 • The percentage of load that is in the peak period. Peak-period prices are
16 typically 40% higher than off-peak prices. The following table provides
17 the forward prices for New England Hub peak and off-peak power for
18 calendar 2004, as reported early in each month.

	Peak	Off-Peak	Ratio
<i>December-02</i>	45.5	31.0	1.47
<i>January-03</i>	48.0	35.0	1.37
<i>February-03</i>	49.0	35.5	1.38
<i>March-03</i>	51.0	35.1	1.45
<i>April-03</i>	51.0	35.8	1.43
<i>May-03</i>	52.0	37.1	1.40
<i>June-03</i>	51.5	36.0	1.43
<i>July-03</i>	48.0	34.5	1.39
<i>August-03</i>	49.3	34.3	1.44
<i>September-03</i>	48.8	33.6	1.45
<i>October-03</i>	52.1	37.6	1.39
<i>November-03</i>	51.8	39.1	1.32

- 1 • Weather sensitivity. In addition to the distribution of energy use over hours
2 under average or typical conditions, loads differ in their tendency to rise
3 with extremely hot or cold weather. Weather-sensitive loads will require
4 the most energy on hot summer days and cold winter days, when energy
5 prices are highest and the supplier will have to purchase extra power at a
6 premium. On mild days, when prices are low, the supplier will have excess
7 energy to sell into the weak market. A weather-sensitive load is thus more
8 expensive to serve than is another load with the same average shape.

9 **Q: Other than the shape and variability of customer load, are there other**
10 **aspects of the load that affect its pricing?**

11 A: Yes. In addition to the shape of the customers' loads, the supplier of TSO-
12 equivalent generation services faces the risks that vary with the nature of the
13 customers. The loads of industrial and some types of commercial customers and
14 much more likely to vary with economic conditions than are residential loads.
15 Especially with long procurement durations or long lead times, these classes
16 expose suppliers to greater risk than residential loads.

17 Similarly, suppliers face risks that customers will leave the default service
18 entirely. Specifically, if market prices fall, more customers will switch to
19 competitive suppliers; if market prices rise, existing customers will stay on the
20 default service, and more will likely switch to the service. Since few residential
21 and small-commercial customers have voluntarily left utility default service, this
22 risk is much more important for industrial and large commercial customers.

23 In both of these situations, the supplier is at risk of needing to sell excess
24 power at low prices, and purchasing more power at high prices. To cover that
25 risk, the supplier must charge a higher price for the same load shape.

1 Finally, the treatment of the utility's remaining generation resources may
2 vary among utilities, affecting the cost and risk of providing generation services.

3 **Q: How does the treatment of the utility's remaining generation resources vary**
4 **among utilities, and why would it affect the cost and risk of providing**
5 **generation services?**

6 A: The utility may

- 7 • sell the capacity and energy from its remaining long-term purchased-power
8 agreements into regional markets, and use the funds to reduce stranded
9 costs or generation-service charges;
- 10 • use the generation to reduce the amount of energy and capacity that the
11 generation-service suppliers are required to provide;⁶
- 12 • provide the energy and capacity to the generation-service suppliers at cost;
- 13 • provide energy and capacity to the generation-service suppliers at zero
14 cost.

15 Depending on which of these approaches a utility uses, it may be providing
16 the suppliers with a valuable generation resource (reducing the generation-
17 service price), burdening the suppliers with an expensive resource (increasing
18 the price), reducing the load factor (and hence raising the cost per kWh) of the
19 residual load that must be served by the generation-service suppliers, and/or
20 increasing the risk (and cost) to the generation-service suppliers, since the
21 purchased-power contracts may be bought out during the course of the contract.

22 **Q: Did UI and CL&P adjust the generation-service prices for these factors?**

23 A: No.

⁶The Western Massachusetts Electric Company uses this approach (IR OCC-CL&P-005).

1 **Q: Did the utilities provide data from which you or the Department could**
2 **determine which of the generation services had particularly expensive load**
3 **shapes and customer mixes?**

4 A: No. The utilities were not able to provide this information for most of the
5 utilities in their samples (e.g., IR OCC-CL&P-1, -5; IR OCC-UI-4, -7).

6 It is clear that the BHE and CMP generation service, which applies only
7 to medium and large commercial and industrial customers, reflects higher
8 economic and migration risks than do the heavily residential services of CL&P,
9 UI, and the Massachusetts utilities.

10 **Q: Do the utility filings provide evidence that load characteristics matter?**

11 A: Yes. Even though the Maine PUC acquired power for Bangor Hydro and CMP
12 at the same time, in the same way, CMP's medium and large C&I rates are
13 consistently higher than BHE's. The average price for CMP service was
14 \$61.78/MWh, compared to \$59.64/MWh for BHE.

15 Similarly, while WMECo acquired power for the residential and small
16 commercial classes at the same time, and for the same length of time, the small
17 commercial generation-service rate for 2004 was 21% more than that of the
18 streetlighting class.

19 **D. *Scope Variables***

20 **Q: What variation may there be in the scope of services covered by the**
21 **generation-supply charge?**

22 A: There are several areas in which generation supply charges may cover differ
23 scope, including the following:

- 24 • Transmission, where some utility may require the bidders to include certain
25 ISO-NE transmission charges in their bid, while others may transfer

- 1 transmission rights to the suppliers, or offset the power-supply costs with
2 revenues from the sale of transmission rights.
- 3 • Losses, which will vary among utilities due to the nature of their systems,
4 their loads, and the voltage level at which their customers have chosen to
5 be metered.
 - 6 • The allowance for uncollectible accounts, which will vary among utilities
7 both in terms of the magnitude of uncollectibles and the manner of their
8 inclusion in rates. For example, the allowance for uncollectibles may be
9 included in the bid price (as in the Maine solicitations), added to the
10 generation-service charge by the utility (as in Massachusetts), or collected
11 through another charge.
 - 12 • Procurement-related wholesale costs, which the Massachusetts DTE
13 describes as being
14 associated with (1) the design and implementation of the competitive
15 bidding process, including the evaluation of supplier bids and
16 contract negotiations, and (2) the ongoing administration and
17 execution of contracts with suppliers, including accounting activities
18 necessary to track payments made to suppliers. DPU 03-88 at 2
19 The Massachusetts utilities apparently include these costs in their
20 generation-service rates; it is not clear how other utilities treat these costs.
 - 21 • Direct retail costs to meet regulatory requirements, including the costs of
22 filings and proceedings and communication with customers. These costs
23 are also included in Massachusetts generation-service rates.
 - 24 • Out-of-period adjustments for reconciliation of unrecovered or over-
25 recovered costs in earlier periods. The FMCC tariffs for both UI and
26 CL&P provide for such adjustments.
 - 27 • The costs of meeting a renewable portfolio standard, or similar supply-mix
28 requirement, which varies with the stringency of the requirement in terms

1 of the percent of supply that must be renewable, and the definition of
2 renewable. This cost is included in the Massachusetts generation-service
3 rates (DTE 03-88 at 17).

- 4 • A number of ISO-administered charges, including charges for reliability-
5 must-run units, ISO ancillary services, and other NEPOOL or ISO charges.

6 **V. Incentives and Performance**

7 **Q: If a utility demonstrates that, after all appropriate adjustments, its TSO**
8 **rate for 2004 (or some other year) was less than the adjusted average**
9 **generation-service rate of other New England utilities, should it auto-**
10 **matically receive an incentive?**

11 A: No. The very concept of “incentive” implies a reward for good performance, not
12 just for good fortune. As WMECo told its regulator, “Sometimes a one-year
13 contact ends up being to the customer’s benefit (compared to a series of shorter
14 contracts); sometimes it does not” (Comments DTE 04-115 at 7).

15 The statute limits the incentive to situations in which the utilities “*earn*
16 compensation for *mitigating* the prices of the contracts for the provision of
17 electric generation services” (Conn. Gen. Stats. Section 16-244c(b)(4)(A) as
18 amended by PA 03-135, emphasis added). This is not the same as giving the
19 utilities an extraordinary payment for rolling the dice and happening to beat the
20 regional average rate. I therefore recommend that the Department require the
21 utilities to demonstrate that the good outcomes (when and if they are
22 demonstrated to occur) are the results of thoughtful planning, analysis, and
23 decisions.

1 **VI. United Illuminating's 2005 Incentive Request**

2 **Q: So far, your testimony has concerned only the utility requests for incentives**
3 **for 2004. Do you have an opinion regarding UI's request for an incentive**
4 **for 2005?**

5 A: Yes. At first glance, UI's TSO price for 2005 appears to be below the average
6 unadjusted prices for the other New England utilities. The decision to lock in
7 prices for 2004–06 in late 2003 may have worked out well for UI's customers
8 in 2005.

9 Nonetheless, I recommend that the Department require UI to demonstrate
10 the magnitude of adjustment appropriate for the variables I identified above,
11 prior to receiving any incentive. In addition, UI must demonstrate that its good
12 outcome (if it turns out to be good, after appropriate adjustments) was the
13 product of careful effort and thoughtful decisions, as well as luck, prior to award
14 of any incentives.

15 **Q: Does this conclude your testimony?**

16 A: Yes.

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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. New Mexico 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. Connecticut Public Utility Control Authority 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. MDPU 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. Massachusetts 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. Connecticut Public Utility Control Authority 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. MEFSC 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. Michigan 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. MDPU 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. MDPU 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. Michigan 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. MDPU 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. Pennsylvania 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. NHPUC 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. Massachusetts Division of Insurance; Hearing to Fix and Establish 1985 Automobile Insurance Rates; Massachusetts Attorney General; November 1984.**

Profit margin calculations, including methodology and implementation.

- 40. MDPU 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. MDPU 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. Vermont 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. MDPU 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. MDPU 85-121; Investigation of the Reading Municipal Light Department; Wilmington (MA) 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. Massachusetts 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. New Mexico 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. Pennsylvania 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. MDPU 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. Pennsylvania 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. New Mexico 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. Illinois 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. New Mexico 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. Massachusetts 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. MDPU 87-19;** Petition for Adjudication of Development Facilitation Program; Hull (MA) 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. New Mexico 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. MDPU 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. Massachusetts 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.

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

- 62. Minnesota 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. Massachusetts 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. MDPU 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. Massachusetts 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. Massachusetts 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. MDPU 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. MDPU 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. MDPU 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. Rhode Island PUC Docket 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. Massachusetts 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. Vermont 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. Vermont 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. MDPU 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. Vermont 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.

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Effect of master-metering on consumption of natural gas and electricity. Legislative and regulatory mandates regarding conservation.

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Prudence of BECo's decision of 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.

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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.

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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. Vermont 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.

- 81. MDPU 89-239; Inclusion of Externalities in Energy Supply Planning, Acquisition and Dispatch for Massachusetts Utilities; December 1989; April 1990; May 1990.**

Critique of Division of Energy Resources report on externalities. Methodology for evaluating external costs. Proposed values for environmental and economic externalities of fuel supply and use.

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- 83. Illinois Commerce Commission Docket 90-0038; Proceeding to Adopt a Least Cost Electric Energy Plan for Commonwealth Edison Company; City of Chicago; May 25 1990. Joint rebuttal testimony with David Birr, August 14 1990.**

Problems in Commonwealth Edison's approach to demand-side management. Potential for cost-effective conservation. Valuing externalities in least-cost planning.

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Exhibit OCC-PC-2:

Forward Prices When Various Generation Services Were Procured

Supply Category	Contract Date	For Delivery		Forward Price at Contract Date	Average Forward Prices When 2004 Power Purchased
		From	To		
Western Mass Electric					
<i>DS Large C&I</i>	Nov-03	Jan-04	Mar-04	54.44	59.12
	Dec-03	Apr-04	Jun-04	49.88	
	May-04	Jul-04	Sep-04	73.42	
	Aug-04	Oct-04	Dec-04	58.75	
<i>DS Residential</i>	Nov-03	Jan-04	Jun-04	53.10	57.41
	Nov-03	Jul-04	Dec-04	51.63	
	May-04	Jul-04	Jun-05	67.50	
<i>DS Small C&I</i>	Nov-03	Jan-04	Jun-04	53.10	57.41
	Nov-03	Jul-04	Dec-04	51.63	
	May-04	Jul-04	Jun-05	67.50	
<i>DS Streetlighting</i>	Nov-03	Jan-04	Jun-04	53.10	57.41
	Nov-03	Jul-04	Dec-04	51.63	
	May-04	Jul-04	Jun-05	67.50	
SOS	Oct-03	Jan-04	Feb-05	49.33	49.33
Bangor Hydro Electric and Central Maine Power					
<i>Medium & Large</i>	Jun-03	Sep-03	Feb-04	59.81	61.44
	Jun-03	Sep-03	Aug-04	56.26	
	Dec-03	Mar-04	Aug-04	55.66	
	Dec-03	Mar-04	Feb-05	54.14	
	Jun-04	Sep-04	Feb-05	67.00	
	Jun-04	Sep-04	Aug-05	63.23	
Mass Electric					
<i>Industrial</i>	Sep-03	Nov-03	Jan-04	51.62	61.62
	Dec-03	Feb-04	Apr-04	54.33	
	Mar-04	May-04	Jul-04	59.25	
	Jun-04	Aug-04	Oct-04	71.93	
	Sep-04	Nov-04	Jan-05	65.66	
<i>Residential & Commercial</i>	Sep-03	Nov-03	Apr-04	50.57	54.52
	Sep-03	May-04	Oct-04	48.89	
	Mar-04	May-04	Oct-04	57.46	
	Mar-04	Nov-04	Apr-05	60.05	
	Sep-04	Nov-04	Apr-05	64.99	
Fitchburg Gas & Electric					
<i>Medium & Large</i>	Oct-03	Dec-03	Feb-04	55.81	62.53
	Jan-04	Mar-04	May-04	60.83	
	Apr-04	Jun-04	Aug-04	63.38	
	Jul-04	Sep-04	Nov-04	61.38	
	Oct-04	Dec-04	Feb-05	81.94	
<i>Residential & Small C&I</i>	Oct-03	Dec-03	May-04	52.19	
	Oct-03	Jun-04	Nov-04	50.28	
	Apr-04	Jun-04	Feb-05	56.70	
NSTAR					
<i>Residential</i>	Apr-03	Jan-04	Jun-04	54.31	54.31
<i>Commercial</i>	Apr-03	Jan-04	Jun-04	54.31	
Narragansett Electric					
<i>Last Resort Service</i>	May-03	Sep-03	Feb-04	59.80	53.90
	May-03	Mar-04	Aug-04	51.93	
Granite State Electric					
<i>Default service</i>	Apr-03	May-03	Apr-04	59.44	60.60
	Apr-04	May-04	Dec-04	61.18	

**Exhibit OCC-PC-3:
Ratios of Retail to Wholesale Prices**

Avoided-Energy-Supply-Component Study Group

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V. Retail Avoided Electric-Supply Costs

A. Retail Adders

We compared prices quoted in the wholesale market for energy and capacity to winning bids for competitive full-requirements services, such as default service in Massachusetts and provider-of-last-resort service in Rhode Island. We expected to find that the retail prices were higher than could be explained from the wholesale prices, to reflect the higher energy costs of an uneven retail load shape, the costs of ancillary services (which we did not price separately), and the risks of uncertain future load.

The tables in Appendix C add up our estimates for the wholesale market costs that we believe were expected at the time the utilities received their bids from suppliers. We received usable data from three utilities—Fitchburg Gas and Electric, Massachusetts Electric, and Narragansett Electric—including the winning bid prices, the date of the bids, the losses assumed, and some information on the shape of the loads.¹² We had a total of seven bids to work with: two six-month rounds from FG&E; one six-month round from Massachusetts Electric, differentiated into prices for three classes; and a four-month and a six-month bid for Narragansett. The six-month bid for Narragansett was for a level price over that period, while all the rest were for separate prices for each month.

We estimated the monthly load factor and the percentage of energy that would be used in the peak period for each month of each bid, from the load data provided to us.¹³ We included only peaks falling between the hours of 11 AM and 5 PM in estimating load factor, to minimize the effect of spurious peaks at odd hours that would not be coincident with the peak of a diversified marketer.¹⁴ For similar reasons, we adjusted the load factors of the three Massachusetts Electric classes upward to reflect the diversity in their peaks. We estimated the wholesale forward contract prices for installed capacity, flat on-peak energy, and flat off-peak energy from such sources as the Natsource broker sheet, Bloomberg's *Natural Gas Report*, and Platt's *Power Market Week* database. In some cases all these values were projected in publications available to us; in other cases, we had to interpolate

¹²NStar also provided some data, but not enough to be useable.

¹³Rather than identify specific holidays, we simply shifted 4% of on-peak MWh to the off-peak period. This method will introduce some random fluctuations in individual months, but should provide reasonable estimates over the course of the year

¹⁴ISO-NE ICAP requirements are computed from the monthly peak of each load-serving entity, not the load coincident with system peak.

and extrapolate values. We included the monthly reserve margins required by ISO NE, and assumed that the marketer would pay the Schedule-1 and Schedule-9 ISO transmission charges.¹⁵ Finally, we included whatever loss factor the utility reported that it added to the metered load.¹⁶

Table 8, below, summarizes the results. The retail:wholesale ratios for individual months range from 1.08 to 1.34, while the ratios for individual bids range from 1.11 to 1.22. The ratios show a decided upward trend as the interval from bid to delivery rises. The ratios for power to be delivered one or two months after the bid date average about 1.1, while the ratios for 7 and 8 months out are 1.19 and 1.20. Assuming that marketers are offering prices that are locked in for a year or more, starting a month or two into the future, a ratio of 1.2 would be appropriate to apply to competitive market bids.¹⁷

We applied the 1.2 ratio to all wholesale market prices to develop retail avoided energy-supply costs. The retail adder might be higher for some cost components (such as capacity and on-peak summer energy) than for others. The available data are not sufficient to support disaggregation of the adder between components.

¹⁵Those embedded charges are not included in the final retail avoided costs. Each utility should include appropriate avoided transmission-and-distribution costs in screening.

¹⁶Note that there are no losses in the FG&E computation. That company informed us that it pays marketers for default service per kWh delivered to its transmission system from the PTF, not per kWh sold.

¹⁷The adder might be a bit higher, since the average 20% differential is computed for the entire observed wholesale and retail price, including the regulated transmission charges, for which the marketer bears little risk.

Table 8: Ratios of Retail to Wholesale Prices

Bid Date	Class	Months Between Bid and Delivery										Months to Mid bid	Bid Company Average
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Fitchburg Gas & Electric													
7/30/2000													
Delivery Date					Dec-00	Jan-01	Feb-01	Mar-01	Apr-01	May-01			
Ratio	All				1.18	1.11	1.13	1.25	1.34	1.30	7.5	1.22	
3/30/2001													
Delivery Date			Jun-01	Jul-01	Aug-01	Sep-01	Oct-01	Nov-01					
Ratio	All		1.14	1.18	1.19	1.13	1.10	1.10			5.5	1.14	1.18
Narragansett Electric													
4/24/2001													
Delivery Date		May-01	Jun-01	Jul-01	Aug-01								
Ratio	All	1.08	1.09	1.18	1.11						2.5	1.11	
8/14/2001													
Delivery Date		Sep-01	Oct-01	Nov-01	Dec-01	Jan-02	Feb-02						
Ratio	All	1.19	1.15	1.16	1.19	1.14	1.13				3.5	1.16	1.14
Mass Electric													
3/8/2001													
Delivery Date		May-01	Jun-01	Jul-01	Aug-01	Sep-01	Oct-01						
Ratio	Res	1.12	1.22	1.15	1.13	1.14	1.21				4.5	1.16	
Ratio	Com	1.11	1.21	1.14	1.13	1.11	1.13				4.5	1.14	
Ratio	Ind	1.19	1.25	1.19	1.16	1.16	1.20				4.5	1.19	
Simple Average													
Average of Monthly Ratios													
		1.08	1.13	1.20	1.15	1.16	1.13	1.16	1.17	1.34	1.30	1.16	1.16
Running Average													
		1.10	1.14	1.14	1.14	1.14	1.14	1.14	1.15	1.17	1.18	1.16	1.16