

**RE: FortisBC Energy Inc. (FEI)** )  
**Application for Approval of a Multi-Year** )  
**Performance Based Ratemaking Plan for** )  
**2014 through 2018, including approvals** )  
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***Utilities Commission Act (UCA)* of an** )  
**expenditure schedule for FortisBC** )  
**Energy Utilities (FEU) for demand-side** )  
**measures for 2014 through 2018** )

**and**

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**measures FBC for 2014 through 2018** )

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1    **I.   Introduction and Summary**

2    **A.   *Identification and Qualifications***

3    **Q:   State your names, occupations, and business addresses.**

4    A:   We are John J. Plunkett and Paul L. Chernick. Plunkett is a partner in and president of  
5       Green Energy Economics Group, Inc., an energy consultancy he co-founded in 2005.  
6       His office address is 1002 Jerusalem Road, Bristol Vermont 05443. Chernick is the  
7       president of Resource Insight, Inc., 5 Water Street, Arlington, Massachusetts.

8    **Q:   Mr. Plunkett, summarize your qualifications.**

9    A:   I have worked for over thirty years in energy utility planning, concentrating on energy  
10       efficiency as a resource and business strategy for energy service providers. Throughout  
11       my career I have played key advisory and negotiating roles on all aspects of electric  
12       and gas utility demand side management (“DSM”), including residential, industrial,  
13       and commercial program design; implementation management and oversight;  
14       performance incentive design; and monitoring, verification, and evaluation. I have led,  
15       prepared, or contributed to numerous analyses and reports on the economically  
16       achievable potential for efficiency and renewable resources. Over the past two decades,  
17       I have been involved in the review or preparation of many gas and electricity DSM  
18       investment plans. I have worked on these issues throughout North America and in  
19       China on behalf of energy service providers, citizen and environmental groups, state  
20       consumer advocates, utility regulators, and government agencies at the local, state,  
21       provincial, and national levels.

22               I earned my B.A. in Economics with Distinction from Swarthmore College,  
23       where I graduated Phi Beta Kappa and was awarded the Adams Prize in Economics.  
24       My resume is attached as Exhibit JPPC-1.

25   **Q.   Mr. Chernick, summarize your qualifications.**

1 A. I received an SB degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in June 1974  
2 from the Civil Engineering Department, and an SM degree from the Massachusetts  
3 Institute of Technology in February 1978 in technology and policy.

4 I have worked in utility regulation, ratemaking and planning since December  
5 1977. My professional qualifications are further summarized in Exhibit JPPC-2.

6 **Q: Have you testified previously in utility regulatory proceedings?**

7 A: Yes. Plunkett has testified as an expert witness over two dozen times before regulators  
8 in a dozen states and three Canadian provinces. Chernick has testified roughly 300  
9 times on utility issues, before regulators in five Canadian provinces, thirty U.S.  
10 jurisdictions, and two U.S. Federal agencies. His previous testimony is listed in my  
11 resume.

12 **Q: Has either of you testified previously before the British Columbia Utilities**  
13 **Commission (the Commission)?**

14 A: Yes, we both have. Plunkett presented evidence regarding energy efficiency resource  
15 acquisition before the Commission on six previous occasions. He provided evidence  
16 and testimony regarding BC Hydro's 2006, 2008, and 2012 energy efficiency resource  
17 acquisition plans (Project Nos. 3698419, 3698514, and 3698622, respectively). He  
18 submitted testimony concerning DSM plans by Terasen Gas in October 2008 (Project  
19 No. 3698512) and in November 2011 by Fortis Energy Utilities BC Gas (Project No.  
20 3698627). He testified regarding FortisBC Electric's DSM Plan in March 2012  
21 (Project No. 3698620).

22 Chernick presented evidence before the Commission regarding BC Hydro's 2005  
23 resource-acquisition plan (Project No. 3698388) and BC Hydro's Large General  
24 Service rate application (Project No. 3698573).

25 **Q: Mr. Plunkett, summarize your recent work on energy efficiency resource**  
26 **investment.**

1 A: Most of my work over the last five years has been consulting on gas and electric  
2 energy-efficiency planning and implementation for energy service providers in the  
3 northeastern and midwestern U.S., and technical support for expanding efficiency  
4 resource acquisition in several southern states.

5 Since 2008, GEEG has been engaged by Philadelphia Gas Works (“PGW”) to  
6 assist with development, regulatory review, and implementation of a five-year, \$50  
7 million DSM portfolio. I submitted testimony in support of PGW’s plan with the  
8 Pennsylvania PUC, which was approved for implementation in 2010. In 2013, I also  
9 submitted testimony on behalf of Citizens for Pennsylvania’s Future recommending  
10 that implementing a multi-year energy-efficiency portfolio should be a condition of the  
11 proposed merger of three gas utilities. In November the PUC approved a settlement  
12 containing a commitment by the new company to assess the economic feasibility of  
13 DSM programs for its service area, and to implement them if doing so is found to be  
14 cost-effective.

15 I have served as economic policy advisor since 2000 for Efficiency Vermont, the  
16 first statewide energy-efficiency utility administered under four successive three-year  
17 performance contracts administered by the Vermont Energy Investment Corporation  
18 (VEIC).<sup>1</sup> In this capacity I helped develop and implement economic policy and  
19 practice for guiding energy-efficiency investment. I testified in 2010 in the Vermont  
20 Public Service Board (VT PSB) proceeding that led to a twelve-year order of  
21 appointment for VEIC. The order of appointment includes non-electric energy  
22 efficiency investment. I led the technical analysis behind two long-range assessments  
23 by VEIC of the economically achievable electricity savings in Vermont in 2009, and  
24 again in 2011, from continued efficiency investment for twenty more years, under  
25 several scenarios. The 2011 analysis was instrumental in the VT PSB’s decision  
26 establishing performance targets and budgets for 2012–14 and savings and spending  
27 targets for the subsequent 17 years. I am currently assisting VEIC with economic

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<sup>1</sup> The efficiency utility model has been replicated in Canada by Efficiency Nova Scotia.

1 analysis of the next 20-year Demand Resources Plan (setting 2015–17 budgets and  
2 performance goals and expected results through 2024).

3 Over this period I have also occasionally worked with Vermont’s utilities and  
4 regulators on geographically targeting energy efficiency retrofits to help relieve  
5 transmission and distribution capacity constraints. This year I developed a tool for  
6 estimating costs of expanding efficiency resource acquisition to relieve reliability  
7 constraints resulting from the arrival of large new loads. In support of the proposed  
8 acquisition of Vermont’s largest utility, I testified on behalf of Green Mountain Power  
9 (GMP) and Gaz Metro on the economic merits of the proposal by the combined  
10 companies to invest \$21 million on additional energy-efficiency in the acquired  
11 utility’s service area, rather than refunding the same amount due those customers for  
12 prior emergency rate relief. For the last two years, GEEG has provided GMP with  
13 technical support in assessing and selecting projects for annual investments for its  
14 Community Energy Efficiency Fund.

15 GEEG was engaged in May 2011 by Shaw Engineering and Infrastructure to  
16 assist in the economic assessment and guidance of statewide gas and electric energy  
17 efficiency investment in its administration of Wisconsin’s Focus on Energy (FOE)  
18 portfolio. Between 2008 and 2012, GEEG assisted Peoples Gas with economic analysis  
19 in the planning and implementation of its Chicagoland Natural Gas energy efficiency  
20 programs and portfolio. I testified on behalf of Peoples Gas before the Illinois  
21 Commerce Commission in 2010 regarding cost recovery of first-year program  
22 expenditures; I again submitted testimony in 2011 concerning the prudence of second-  
23 year expenditures.

24 GEEG has been providing technical support and expert testimony for the Sierra  
25 Club (U.S.) since 2011 on expanding energy-efficiency investment to substitute for  
26 coal-fired generation in several cases, including in Oklahoma in 2011 and in an  
27 ongoing rulemaking proceeding there on future efficiency resource acquisition  
28 performance standards. In 2011, I prepared comments on Maryland utilities’ ability to  
29 scale up efficiency investment to meet that state’s energy-efficiency resource standards  
30 (EERS). GEEG also prepared a report on achievable efficiency savings and costs in

1 Nevada for the Sierra Club in January of 2012. Sierra Club recently engaged us to  
2 assist with establishing EERS in Florida.

3 For the Alliance for Affordable Energy, GEEG conducted analysis and prepared  
4 comments in May of this year demonstrating the costs, savings, and benefits from  
5 increasing electric energy efficiency investment by Entergy New Orleans. GEEG also  
6 prepared a report for the City of Austin's consumer advocate recommending efficiency  
7 savings targets and budgets in 2012.

8 **Q. Mr. Chernick, describe your work on valuing electricity and natural gas savings**  
9 **from demand management investments in Canada and the U.S. over the last few**  
10 **years.**

11 A. I have been part of the consulting team that produced the biennial New England  
12 Avoided Energy Supply Cost report, used as the basis for DSM screening by utilities  
13 and other program administrators in all six New England states, in 2007, 2009, 2011,  
14 and 2013. Since 2008, I testified on the role of energy-efficiency efforts in resource  
15 planning and the costs avoided by DSM (marginal costs) in Arkansas, Ontario,  
16 Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, Manitoba, New Orleans, Nova Scotia and  
17 Kansas. I also testified on the effect of energy-efficiency programs on the need for  
18 transmission lines in western Massachusetts and southeastern Massachusetts. In  
19 addition, I have provided support on avoided-cost issues for a number of projects,  
20 including many of those listed by Mr. Plunkett.

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

22 A: Our testimony is sponsored by the British Columbia Sustainable Energy Association  
23 ("BCSEA") and the Sierra Club of British Columbia ("SCBC").

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

25 A: BCSEA/SCBC engaged us to assess the adequacy and reasonableness of the five-year  
26 gas demand-side management expenditure plan submitted for Commission review by  
27 the FortisBC Energy Utilities ("FEU") and the five-year electric demand-side



1 management expenditure plan submitted for Commission review by FortisBC, Inc.  
2 (“FBC”).

3 **B. Summary**

4 **Q: Summarize your findings, conclusions, and recommendations.**

5 A: On the whole, the gas DSM plan proposed by FEU is not unreasonable. It extends and  
6 refines existing programs at roughly similar levels of spending and savings. FEU’s  
7 annual gas savings plans are behind industry leaders; its projected costs to achieve  
8 planned savings are in line with industry experience. Economic performance of FEU’s  
9 portfolio can be improved by refocusing, consolidating, and integrating programs and  
10 re-allocating resources accordingly. Scaling up FEU’s portfolio up to match leading  
11 industry performance by 2016 would further reduce the total resource costs of gas  
12 service to FEU’s customers over the life expectancy of the efficiency measures  
13 installed as a result of the programs. The additional gas savings from expanding the  
14 portfolio would also eliminate additional amounts of greenhouse gas emissions over  
15 time.

16 Based on these findings and conclusions, we recommend that the Commission  
17 approve FEU’s five-year expenditure plan, with modifications according to  
18 recommendations we develop in Sections II and III of this testimony. In particular, we  
19 recommend that FEU combine several of its separate program proposals to launch the  
20 next generation of the successful LiveSmart residential retrofit program. Consistent  
21 with recent findings from the LiveSmart stakeholder review, LiveSmart should be re-  
22 designed according to industry best practices to achieve deeper gas savings with  
23 comprehensive whole-house treatment integrating gas and electric efficiency savings  
24 among larger numbers of FEU’s residential customers over time.

25 Our examination of FBC’s electric DSM expenditure plan and supporting  
26 evidence leads us to opposite findings, conclusions and recommendations than those  
27 we reached regarding FEU’s gas DSM plan. FBC plans to cut 2014-2018 electric  
28 efficiency program spending and savings by more than half compared to the 2013 level

1 previously approved by the Commission. FortisBC seeks to justify this drastic course  
2 change by claiming that its long-run marginal cost (LRMC) has declined by a third and  
3 that the lower LRMC has rendered most of the previously planned electricity savings  
4 no longer cost-effective. Our analysis indicates neither proposition is true.

5 From FBC's workpapers, it appears that FBC's proposed portfolio reduces  
6 implementation of measures that are cost-effective even in FBC's screening. Using  
7 entirely FBC's own estimates (of avoided costs, measure costs, savings, and the like)  
8 and analysis tools, we were able to construct an alternative portfolio that cost-  
9 effectively maintains the spending and savings levels of the 2012 DSM expenditure  
10 plan.

11 In addition, FortisBC's new estimate of the long-run marginal supply cost  
12 avoided by demand management is understated due to several factual and  
13 methodological errors. Once these flaws are corrected, avoided supply costs should be  
14 expected to average about \$120/MWh levelized over 2014–24 and \$140/MWh  
15 levelized over 2014–43. The corrected LRMC is nearly three times FBC's estimate and  
16 substantially higher than the estimate used to value the existing DSM plan previously  
17 approved by the Commission.

18 Finally, our empirical analysis of costs and savings by other utilities indicates that  
19 it is economically feasible for FBC to scale up its existing programs to match savings  
20 performance achieved and planned by industry leaders. Doubling existing portfolio  
21 savings of roughly 1 percent to 2 percent of sales annually would eliminate the need  
22 for 150 MW in new capacity that the Company expects to need by 2030. We  
23 recommend that the Commission direct FBC to increase spending and savings to  
24 achieve 2 percent annual savings by 2016. Doing so would net British Columbia's  
25 economy another \$139 million in total resource cost reductions over the life of the  
26 additional measures installed in 2014–2018, and (at a marginal emission rate of 0.41  
27 tonne CO<sub>2</sub>e/MWh) reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 204 thousand tonnes through  
28 2018.

1   **Q: Has FBC justified its proposed replacement of DSM savings with market**  
2   **purchases?**

3   A: No. The *Utilities Commission Act* s.44.1(2) requires that a public utility that intends to  
4   purchase energy to meet demand must explain “why the demand for energy to be  
5   served by the...purchases...are not planned to be replaced by demand-side measures.”  
6   In its Application, FBC has proposed to move in the opposite direction, replacing DSM  
7   with spot market purchases. FBC has not provided any credible explanation for why  
8   the demand it proposes to meet with spot market purchases is not planned to be met  
9   with DSM.

10   **Q: How does FBC’s 2014–2018 DSM proposal compare with its approved 2012 Long-**  
11   **Term Resource Plan?**

12   A: FBC’s current DSM proposal is fundamentally inconsistent with its 2012 LTRP and  
13   the associated 2012 Long Term DSM Plan. The approved 2012 LTRP provides for  
14   substantial amounts of cost-effective DSM instead of market purchases. The current  
15   DSM proposal reverses that approach.

16   **Q: How have you organized the rest of this testimony?**

17   A: In Section II, we explain the principles of least-cost DSM resource acquisition  
18   planning and discuss industry-wide best practices in acquisition of DSM resources,  
19   including design, scale, integration and economic screening of programs and  
20   portfolios. We address integration of gas and electric DSM programs by FEU and FBC  
21   and provide a framework applying best industry practices for structuring BC’s  
22   combined gas and electric DSM portfolios.

23         In Section III, we assess FEU’s proposed gas DSM portfolio. We provide the  
24   results of our examination of the composition of FEU’s portfolio, in particular  
25   regarding efficiency measures for heating equipment and relative cost-effectiveness of  
26   aiming early retirement compared to end-of-life opportunities. We make  
27   recommendations for improving the portfolio’s economic performance in this respect.  
28   We go on to present recommendations on how FEU’s DSM portfolio should be

1 expanded to achieved industry-leading depth of savings. We outline the cost-  
2 effectiveness of this expanded gas DSM portfolio.

3 In Section IV, we summarize FBC's proposal to cut the electric DSM portfolio  
4 spending and savings by 60 percent. We provide information on the cost-effective  
5 DSM measures that are omitted or scaled back in FBC's proposed portfolio. We  
6 discuss FBC's failure to properly use DSM cost-effectiveness tests to build a portfolio  
7 that maximizes cost-effective savings from expenditure levels previously approved and  
8 included in its resource plan. We spotlight FBC's reliance on reducing rate impacts as  
9 a rationale for its proposed cuts in DSM spending. We provide figures for a rebalanced  
10 portfolio using FBC's own cost-effectiveness calculator. We show that FBC's unit  
11 costs of its reduced portfolio are low compared to industry benchmarks because of the  
12 drastic reduction of economies of scale. Next, we provide sector-level budgets and  
13 economic analysis showing that FBC can cost-effectively double its achievement of  
14 electric efficiency savings compared to the 2012–2013 plan.

15 In Section IV, we also examine FBC's avoided marginal cost of electric supply.  
16 We detail the ways in which FBC significantly underestimated its LRMC for DSM  
17 screening purposes. We examine the impact on FBC's short term marginal costs of the  
18 US–Canada exchange rate, firming the non-firm Mid-Columbia supply, shaping  
19 market prices to match DSM, wheeling rates, and transmission and distribution costs.  
20 We address FBC's longer-term marginal costs, including the incremental costs of firm  
21 generation energy and capacity, and the consequences for GHG emissions reductions  
22 and electricity self-sufficiency in BC.

23 Lastly in Section IV, we examine FBC's avoided marginal cost of electric  
24 supply. We detail the ways in which FBC significantly underestimated its LRMC for  
25 DSM screening purposes. We examine the impact on FBC's short term marginal costs  
26 of the US–Canada exchange rate, firming the non-firm Mid-Columbia supply, shaping  
27 market prices to match DSM, wheeling rates, and transmission and distribution costs.  
28 We address FBC's longer-term marginal costs, including the incremental costs of firm  
29 generation energy and capacity, and the consequences for GHG emissions reductions  
30 and electricity self-sufficiency in BC.

Section V contains our final conclusions and recommendations.

## II. DSM Resource Acquisition Planning

### A. *Least-cost Efficiency Resource Acquisition*

**Q. What is the right amount of energy efficiency resources for gas and electric utilities such as FortisBC to plan to acquire over time?**

A. Like any utility seeking to minimize the total resource cost of supplying safe and reliable energy service, FortisBC should plan to acquire all gas and electric demand-side resources achievable for less than the long-run marginal cost of avoided supply.

This least-cost imperative is illustrated graphically in Exhibit JPPC-3. The first panel shows the standard representation of the upward-sloping marginal cost curve for electricity supply, with Quantity on the horizontal axis in GWh/year, and Marginal Cost in \$/MWh on the vertical. The area under the MC curve is the total cost of  $Q_{\text{supply}}$ .

Panel 2 shares the same horizontal axis for quantity, except the origin is on the right. It shows the marginal cost curve for electricity efficiency (labelled  $MC_{\text{demand}}$ ). Looking from right to left, the marginal cost curve turns sharply upward roughly four-fifths of the way leftward to designate a theoretical maximum efficiency potential that is less than all of the amount of total energy demand. The shaded area under the efficiency cost curve represents the total cost of efficiency at any particular quantity.

Panel 3 combines the first two panels to illustrate that there are an infinite number of potential combinations of efficiency and supply to meet total requirements. In this illustration, resource allocation starts with  $S_1D_1$ . The horizontal axis shows that this particular resource allocation combines supply of  $S_1$  and efficiency of  $D_1$ . The total resource costs of this initial resource allocation of supply and efficiency is the sum of the shaded area under the  $MC_{\text{supply}}$  curve at point  $S_1$  and the shaded area under the  $MC_{\text{demand}}$  curve at point  $D_1$ . It can be seen that shifting the chosen allocation of supply and efficiency changes the shaded areas and hence the total cost of the particular resource allocation.

Panel 4 presents the least-cost resource allocation that results when efficiency resources are acquired until their marginal costs equal the marginal supply costs they avoid compared to the initial allocation. In the illustration, the horizontal axis shows a resource allocation of supply of  $S_2$  and efficiency of  $D_2$ . This allocation is where the marginal cost of supply equals the marginal cost of efficiency. This occurs at the intersection of the supply cost curve and the efficiency cost curve, marked as point ( $S_2D_2$ ). With the  $S_2$  and  $D_2$  resource allocation the marginal acquisition costs are the same for both supply and efficiency. Observe that the total shaded area under the efficiency and supply marginal cost curves is much smaller than under the initial resource allocation. Even without calculus it is visually apparent that no other combination of supply and efficiency can yield lower total resource costs.

Panel 5 illustrates the gain in economic welfare from acquiring all cost-effective efficiency resources. The shaded triangular area A shows the value (money saved) of moving from the initial resource allocation at ( $S_1D_1$ ) to the optional resource allocation at ( $S_2D_2$ ). Conversely, area A represents graphically the forgone welfare gain from not increasing the scale of cost-effective energy efficiency resource acquisition.

**Q. Is the least-cost planning imperative you posit consistent with BC statutory and regulatory policy?**

A. Yes. Our understanding is that public policy in BC requires FEU and FBC to pursue all cost-effective energy efficiency and conservation measures, and that cost-effectiveness is generally determined by the total resource cost test, subject to certain modifications in the DSM Regulation.

**Q. Beyond pecuniary reasons, are there additional reasons to maximize the amount of cost-effective gas and electric efficiency resources FortisBC acquires over the 2014–18 performance period?**

A. Yes. In BC, as in other jurisdictions, it is recognized that cost-effective energy conservation and efficiency measures are beneficial for various non-financial reasons, particularly by displacing energy production or generation and thereby avoiding increases in GHG emissions and conventional pollution.

1    ***B.   Efficiency Portfolio Scale: Gas and Electric Industry Experience***

2    **Q:   What evidence can you provide concerning the scale of gas and electric efficiency**  
3       **resource acquisition in the U.S.?**

4    A:   The American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE) issues an annual  
5       scorecard report on gas and electric DSM efforts. The most recent ACEEE State  
6       Energy Efficiency Scorecard came out in November 2013 and provided realized  
7       savings from 2011.<sup>2</sup> It reports that annual gas savings achieved by gas efficiency  
8       portfolios in 2011 ranged from 0.04% in Delaware to 1.25% in Minnesota and nearly  
9       2.0% in Vermont. Program administrators acquired these savings over a range of  
10      USD\$0.71 to USD\$13.75 \$/therm-yr (calculated as the budgeted dollar expenditure  
11      divided by the incremental amount of annual gas savings achieved from that year's  
12      expenditures).<sup>3</sup> Excluding outlier data from Oklahoma, the average savings as a  
13      percentage of retail sales for gas efficiency programs in the United States in 2011 was  
14      0.42%, and the average cost was USD\$4.97/therm-yr for the 29 states that the ACEEE  
15      reported data on. Table 1 highlights costs and savings for both the top ten and bottom  
16      ten states as ranked by savings as a percentage of sales in 2011.

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<sup>2</sup> <http://aceee.org/research-report/e13k>

<sup>3</sup> In order to compare 2011 gas savings with gas efficiency budgets from 2011, budget values from ACEEE's 2012 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard (<http://aceee.org/research-report/e12c>) were used. Oklahoma's costs of \$98.33/therm-yr were an order of magnitude larger than any other state, so was considered an outlier, and not included in this analysis.

1 **Table 1: 2011 Cost and Savings for Natural Gas DSM in the United States**

TOP 10 STATES			BOTTOM 10 STATES		
State	Savings as % of Sales	Budget US\$/therm-year	State	Savings as % of Sales	Budget USD\$/therm-year
1 Vermont	1.91%	\$1.89	20 Illinois	0.23%	\$3.42
2 Minnesota	1.25%	\$1.46	21 Arizona	0.23%	\$2.86
3 Michigan	0.80%	\$2.05	22 Arkansas	0.23%	\$4.47
4 Massachusetts	0.71%	\$7.77	23 South Dakota	0.16%	\$3.00
5 Iowa	0.69%	\$5.24	24 Nevada	0.12%	\$4.85
6 Oregon	0.61%	\$5.06	25 Maryland	0.07%	\$4.69
7 Wisconsin	0.56%	\$0.71	26 New Mexico	0.07%	\$8.50
8 New Hampshire	0.55%	\$8.67	27 Idaho	0.06%	\$7.86
9 Washington	0.50%	\$4.13	28 Kansas	0.05%	\$1.96
10 California	0.44%	\$7.92	29 Delaware	0.04%	\$13.75
<b>Average</b>	<b>0.80%</b>	<b>\$4.49</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>0.13%</b>	<b>\$5.53</b>
<b>Median</b>	<b>0.69%</b>	<b>\$4.49</b>	<b>Median</b>	<b>0.12%</b>	<b>\$4.69</b>

Source: ACEEE 2012 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard

2 **Q: Does ACEEE report on electric DSM savings and spending?**

3 A: Yes. ACEEE includes figures for electric DSM in its annual scorecard. The 2013 State  
 4 Energy Efficiency Scorecard found annual savings for electric energy efficiency  
 5 programs ranged from 0.02% of retail sales in Louisiana, to 2.12% of retail sales in  
 6 Vermont. Program administrators acquired these savings from a range of USD\$0.06 to



1 USD\$0.60 /kWh-yr (calculated as the budgeted electric efficiency expenditures for a  
2 given year divided by the net, incremental annual savings achieved in that year).<sup>4</sup>  
3 Excluding outlier data from Virginia, the average savings as a percentage of retail sales  
4 for electric efficiency programs in the United States in 2011 was 0.68% and the  
5 average cost was USD\$0.25/kWh-yr for the 46 states that the ACEEE reported data on.  
6 Table 2 highlights costs and electricity savings for both the top ten and bottom ten  
7 states as ranked by savings as a percentage of sales in 2011.

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<sup>4</sup> In order to compare 2011 gas savings with gas efficiency budgets from 2011, budget values from ACEEE's 2012 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard (<http://aceee.org/research-report/e12c>) was used. Virginia's cost of less than \$0.01/kWh-yr was considered an outlier value and was excluded from this analysis

1 **Table 2: 2011 Costs and Savings for Electric DSM in the United States**

State		Savings as a % of Sales	Budget USD\$/kWh -year	State		Savings as a % of Sales	Budget USD\$/kWh -year
TOP 10 STATES				BOTTOM 10 STATES			
1	Vermont	2.12%	\$0.35	37	Texas	0.20%	\$0.20
2	Massachusetts	1.43%	\$0.57	38	South Dakota	0.18%	\$0.21
3	Arizona	1.38%	\$0.12	39	Delaware	0.18%	\$0.16
4	California	1.35%	\$0.34	40	Mississippi	0.14%	\$0.07
5	Connecticut	1.32%	\$0.35	41	Arkansas	0.13%	\$0.40
6	Hawaii	1.31%	\$0.27	42	Georgia	0.11%	\$0.14
7	Rhode Island	1.25%	\$0.56	43	Wyoming	0.08%	\$0.39
8	New York	1.25%	\$0.60	44	Kansas	0.08%	\$0.29
9	Ohio	1.22%	\$0.07	45	Alabama	0.08%	\$0.15
10	Minnesota	1.21%	\$0.23	46	Louisiana	0.02%	\$0.57
Average		1.38%	\$0.35	Average		0.12%	\$0.26
Median		1.32%	\$0.35	Median		0.12%	\$0.21

Source: ACEEE 2012 State Energy Efficiency Scorecard

2 **Q: Does this mean that electric utilities spent 35 cents for each kWh they saved?**

3 A: No. \$0.35/kWh-yr is the average amount that program administrators in the top-10 list  
 4 spent per annual kWh of savings achieved in 2011. Those savings are expected to last  
 5 from 10 to 20 years on average, depending on the mix of programs within the portfolio  
 6 and the mix of measures installed by customers participating in the program that year.

7 Computing the life-cycle or levelized cost of saved energy, by contrast, accounts  
 8 for the longevity of DSM savings. The levelized cost of saved energy is a function of  
 9 the discount rate and the life expectancy of the resulting savings. At an assumed

1 average measure life of 15 years and a real discount rate of 5.5 percent, the unit cost of  
2 annual savings \$0.35/kWh-yr translates to a levelized cost of \$0.035/kWh over the  
3 expected lifetime of the savings.

4 **Q: Is the levelized cost of saved energy directly comparable with the avoided**  
5 **marginal cost of energy supply?**

6 A: Yes, so long as the load shapes and durations are comparable. Even if the timing of  
7 savings do not exactly match, comparing levelized costs and benefits can be helpful as  
8 a quick approximation of cost-effectiveness. BC Hydro, for example, routinely  
9 compares levelized DSM costs with levelized avoided supply costs. A levelized cost of  
10 \$0.035/kWh over the lifetime of the savings is well below any reasonable estimate of  
11 FBC's long-run marginal costs and is even below FBC's estimate of the short-run  
12 variable costs of energy supply.

13 **Q: Can the same comparison be done for the cost of natural gas energy efficiency to**  
14 **the avoided marginal cost of natural gas?**

15 A: Yes. The same principles apply in calculating the levelized cost of gas DSM savings  
16 for comparison with avoided supply costs of gas supply. Using the average cost for  
17 natural gas programs reported by ACEEE of \$4.97/therm-yr, gas DSM savings lasting  
18 an average of 15 years (again with a real discount rate of 5.5 percent) would translate  
19 into a levelized cost of \$0.495/therm.

## 20 **C. *Best Practices in Energy-Efficiency Resource Acquisition***

21 **Q: What do you mean by best industry practices in energy-efficiency resource**  
22 **acquisition?**

23 A: Best practices in energy-efficiency resource procurement have been developed based  
24 on lessons learned from over twenty years of experience with program design and  
25 implementation throughout North America. These lessons were documented by

1 Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) in collaboration with numerous electric and gas  
2 utilities over five years ago.<sup>5</sup> They can be distilled into the following guiding principles  
3 for maximizing achievement of cost-effective efficiency resources in long-range  
4 electric and gas energy-efficiency resource planning:

5 1) Scale up portfolio electricity and gas savings by choosing the pace, scale and target  
6 customer populations for discretionary efficiency resource investment that  
7 maximizes net economic benefits (calculated according to the total resource cost  
8 (TRC) test).

9 2) Avoid cream-skimming and the creation of lost opportunities by encouraging  
10 comprehensive treatment and deeper savings per participant.

11 3) Jointly design and implement gas and electric efficiency programs targeting  
12 building construction and retrofit, and standardize program designs across electric  
13 and gas utility service areas. This applies

- 14 • to FEU and FBC together in territory they share;
- 15 • to FEU in territory where customers are also served by BC Hydro; and
- 16 • to FBC with respect to BC Hydro's programs targeting retail and wholesale  
17 purchases of electricity-using products, appliances, and equipment.

18 **Q. Can you point to exemplary programs by industry leaders that embody these**  
19 **principles?**

20 A. Yes. "Leaders of the Pack: ACEEE's Third National Review of Exemplary Energy  
21 Efficiency Programs" was released in June 2013.<sup>6</sup> The authors selected the best  
22 programs from around the U.S. targeting all major market segments in the residential

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<sup>5</sup> [www.eebestpractices.com](http://www.eebestpractices.com)

<sup>6</sup> Seth Nowak, M. Kushler, P. Witte, and D. York, Leaders of the Pack: ACEEE's Third National Review of Exemplary Energy Efficiency Programs, Report No. U132, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy: Washington, DC, June 2013. <http://aceee.org/research-report/u132u132>

1 and nonresidential sector. These programs exemplify best industry practices in energy-  
2 efficiency program design and implementation in terms of maximizing gas and electric  
3 savings and net economic benefits from DSM investment.

4 **Q: What are discretionary efficiency resources?**

5 A: Unlike market-driven efficiency opportunities that arise in new construction and new  
6 and end-of-life equipment replacement purchases, discretionary efficiency resources  
7 involve retrofits that can be timed to suit a utility's resource needs. Discretionary  
8 retrofits entail early retirement and replacement of existing inefficient equipment,  
9 and/or the installation of supplemental measures (such as insulation or controls).

10 **Q: How can DSM program administrators maximize economic benefits by timing  
11 and targeting discretionary efficiency investment?**

12 A: Program administrators can choose how long they want to take to reach the entire  
13 eligible population and realize the achievable potential for cost-effective electricity and  
14 gas savings they offer. They can target subsets of the total population offering the  
15 greatest potential for cost-effective electricity savings. One effective approach is to  
16 identify and target customers with the highest usage, since efficiency savings potential  
17 is highly correlated with total usage. For example, programs can target customers in  
18 the top usage quintile first, and then work down to the fourth quintile over the chosen  
19 investment period.

20 Another effective means of maximizing economic value from discretionary  
21 resource acquisition is to target retrofit investment geographically. Doing so lowers  
22 resource acquisition costs through improved efficiencies in the marketing and delivery  
23 of program services. Geographically targeting retrofit programs can also deliver  
24 electricity and gas savings where they are most valuable to the utility. For example,  
25 utilities can geographically target retrofit programs to deliver a particular amount of  
26 peak demand savings in areas of the system where load growth is expected to  
27 necessitate transmission and/or distribution capacity expansion. The avoided costs  
28 from deferring such investments add significantly to value of efficiency resources  
29 acquired in the targeted area. Vermont electric utilities have been working with the

1 state's efficiency utility to plan "geo-targeted" efficiency investment for the past three  
2 years, and plan to continue doing so for a least the next three.

3 **Q: What do you mean by "cream skimming?"**

4 A: Cream-skimming occurs when an efficiency program captures some low-cost savings  
5 while deliberately or inadvertently leaving behind savings opportunities that would not  
6 be cost-effective on their own but that would have been cost-effective if they had been  
7 included in the program. An example of cream-skimming is installing equipment that  
8 is less efficient than economically optimal (e.g., early retirement of an inefficient  
9 central air conditioner and replacing it with one with an SEER of 15 rather than one  
10 with an 18 SEER if the latter would be cost-effective). The opportunity to achieve the  
11 savings from the efficiency upgrade at the relatively low incremental cost at the time of  
12 installation is lost for the life of the new inefficient equipment. This example  
13 illustrates how an energy-efficiency program could actually create lost opportunities  
14 for efficiency savings.

15 **Q: How could poor DSM program design create lost opportunities for efficiency**  
16 **savings?**

17 A: Consider the opportunity to achieve cost-effective residential lighting retrofit savings.  
18 It would almost certainly not be cost-effective for FortisBC Electric to field a program  
19 that only installed high-efficiency lamps in its customers' homes. However, a FortisBC  
20 Gas residential retrofit program could install high-efficiency lamps at the same time as  
21 conducting diagnostic and treatment visits. The incremental cost of installing the  
22 lamps would be relatively low and thus probably cost-effective. In this example, failing  
23 to integrate lighting direct installation with the FortisBC Gas residential retrofit  
24 program would create electric efficiency lost opportunities by "stranding" savings that  
25 could have been acquired cost-effectively.

26 Failure to capture such lost-opportunity efficiency resources needlessly raises the  
27 cost of energy service to the province's consumers, either by forfeiting cost-effective  
28 savings entirely – and over-allocating resources to more expensive supply – or by  
29 requiring programs to return for them later as higher-cost retrofits.

1   **Q: How does uniformity in program designs between utilities help maximize cost-**  
2   **effective electricity savings?**

3   A: With possible exceptions at the local level between FBC and BC Hydro territories, the  
4   Province's supply chains for efficiency products and services generally do not vary  
5   according to utility service area boundaries. Making suppliers and contractors learn  
6   and comply with different sets of financial incentives and minimum efficiency  
7   requirements between BC Hydro and FortisBC Electric raises the costs of and  
8   discourages participation in electric utility DSM programs. Combining programs  
9   under a single umbrella also heightens market awareness up and down the supply  
10   chain.

11           Wherever possible, FortisBC Electric should increase standardization of common  
12   program features with BC Hydro. This should include marketing, financial incentives,  
13   and eligibility requirements. It should apply in all markets, such as retail products,  
14   HVAC, lighting and other equipment replacement, and new construction. Uniform  
15   program design will help promote market demand for, and supply of, high-efficiency  
16   products, equipment and services. It will provide economies of scale in program  
17   administration and implementation, and will accelerate cost declines in premium-  
18   efficiency technologies.

19   ***D. Integration of Gas and Electric Efficiency Programs***

20   **Q: Why is it so important that utilities address electricity and gas savings from**  
21   **efficiency measures in combination?**

22   A: Some residential efficiency upgrades save both gas and electricity, such as building  
23   shell improvements that save gas heating in the winter and electric cooling in the  
24   summer. Typically such measures are cost-effective when both (gas and electricity)  
25   savings are counted but not when examined separately. This applies in both residential  
26   new construction and residential retrofit. Failure to integrate electricity and gas  
27   savings into program design and delivery could easily lead to the false conclusion that  
28   efficiency investments are not cost-effective.

1           Having FortisBC Gas and FortisBC Electric operate two separate efficiency  
2 programs for the same customers simultaneously would result in higher program costs,  
3 lower market penetration and less comprehensive savings among participants. Some  
4 FortisBC Electric customers use electricity to cool and FBC Gas energy to heat their  
5 homes and businesses. Many efficiency retrofit opportunities involve efficiency  
6 measures that save both forms of energy. Dealing with separate programs poses a  
7 barrier to customer and supplier participation.

8           Conversely, addressing all of a customer's inter-related efficiency opportunities  
9 comprehensively makes participation and additional efficiency measures more  
10 attractive, maximizing the amount of cost-effective electricity and gas savings realized  
11 from efficiency portfolio investment. This is especially critical for residential retrofit  
12 programs and for BC Hydro programs targeting new construction in both sectors  
13 because opportunities to save both electricity and gas cost-effectively are so abundant  
14 in these markets.

15           Among larger customers, the primary concern is that the planning and execution  
16 of efficiency upgrades in both market-driven equipment replacement and efficiency-  
17 driven retrofits be coordinated with business capital budgeting cycles. Many retrofit  
18 projects produce both gas and electricity savings, so it is imperative that customized  
19 offers be made on the basis of cash flows they produce in combination. In this way  
20 FEU and FBC can both maximize combined customer contributions toward gas and  
21 electric efficiency investments, thereby minimizing the share of investment costs borne  
22 by their respective ratepayers and the savings that can be achieved by any fixed  
23 portfolio expenditures budget.

24           Best industry practice is to assess gas and electric efficiency cost-effectiveness  
25 jointly, and then formulate financial strategies and deliver program services to save  
26 both at the same time.

27   **Q: How can FBC make sure that its electric DSM programs are sufficiently**  
28   **integrated with FEU's natural gas DSM programs?**



1 A: Based on the best practices by efficiency industry leaders, the FortisBC utilities should  
2 field programs that jointly target both electric efficiency and natural gas efficiency  
3 under a single umbrella. Combined electricity and gas programs should be created for  
4 residential and nonresidential construction (both new and renovation) and for retrofits.

5 For *residential* programs, it makes sense for FEU (gas) to form the platform on  
6 which FBC electricity efficiency measure are “piggybacked.” This is because FEU  
7 would already be incurring the relatively high cost of reaching residential customers,  
8 and cost-effective gas savings are likely larger than cost-effective electricity retrofit  
9 savings in homes in the FBC service area.

10 Conversely, for *nonresidential* programs, gas efficiency savings should  
11 piggyback on the electric efficiency program platform, since the magnitude and value  
12 of cost-effective electric efficiency savings will tend to outweigh gas savings in these  
13 settings.

14 **Q: Based on these industry best practices, can you present a common framework**  
15 **showing how FortisBC gas and electric efficiency programs should fit together**  
16 **into an over-arching portfolio?**

17 A: Yes. Table 3 contains a matrix identifying which efficiency market segments should  
18 be served by gas, electric, or combined programs. The delineation of responsibilities  
19 between utilities is consistent with the best practices described above, and with  
20 experience by industry leaders in serving these market segments, as documented in  
21 ACEEE’s latest report on exemplary programs.

1 **Table 3: Recommended Best-Practices Gas and Electric DSM Portfolio**

Customer Sector	Efficiency Resource Type	Market	Segment	Program Design & Implementation		
				Separate		Joint
				FortisBC Gas (FEU)	FortisBC Electric (FBC)	Lead Utility
Residential	Market Driven	HVAC equipment purchases	End-of-life replacement and New purchases	Furnaces, Boilers, Water heaters	Heat pumps, Air conditioners, Water heaters	N/A
		Product and appliance purchases	End-of-life replacement and New purchases	Washers, Dryers, Stoves	Lighting, Washers, Dryers, Refrigerators, Freezers, Electronics	
		Construction	New homes and Rehabilitation	Building shell, HVAC equipment, Appliances, Lighting		FEU
	Discretionary Comprehensive retrofit		Supplemental measures and Early retirement		Lighting	
Commercial & Industrial	Market Driven	Products and equipment purchases	End-of-life replacement and New purchases	HVAC, Process	HVAC, Lighting, Motors, Process	N/A
		Construction	New construction, Renovation and Expansion	Building shell, HVAC Equipment, Process, Lighting		FBC
	Discretionary Customized Facility Retrofit		Supplemental measures and Early retirement		Lighting	

2 **Q: Does this joint approach risk cross-subsidization between gas and electric**  
3 **ratepayers?**

4 **A:** No. If both utilities correctly allocate common program costs in proportion to the  
5 benefits of their respective energy savings then there will be no cross-subsidization. It  
6 is common for separate electric and gas utilities to allocate program and fixed costs for

1 measures that save both electricity and gas, in proportion to their respective shares of  
2 the present worth of total resource benefits derived from each.

3 **Q: Is FEU already integrating its gas DSM programs with the electric DSM**  
4 **programs of FBC and BC Hydro?**

5 A: BC's utilities have been heading increasingly in this direction. Full integration  
6 continues to lag, however, and considerable room for improvement remains. To  
7 minimize costs and maximize benefits the FEU gas and FBC and BC Hydro electric  
8 programs should be fully integrated for new construction and retrofits in all sectors in  
9 the 2014–2018 performance period, certainly by no later than 2016.

10 **Q: What types of enhancements are needed to cost-effectively scale up FortisBC gas**  
11 **and electric discretionary DSM resource acquisition plans?**

12 A: First, FEU should work with FBC and BC Hydro to redesign the low-income retrofit  
13 programs to incorporate best practices for achieving comprehensive electric and gas  
14 efficiency savings. Using programs in Connecticut, Long Island, Massachusetts, and  
15 New Jersey as models, the utilities should directly install all cost-effective efficiency  
16 measures, including equipment replacement, instrumented air- and duct-sealing, and  
17 cavity insulation. This approach will lead to deeper electricity savings and improve  
18 program cost-effectiveness.

19 Second, FortisBC Gas and FortisBC Electric should jointly develop and  
20 implement programs to promote comprehensive retrofit investment on the part of  
21 single-family residential, multi-family residential, and small to medium commercial  
22 and industrial customers. In particular, FortisBC Gas should consolidate its various  
23 residential retrofit programs into the next generation of LiveSmart whole-building  
24 retrofit program for residential customers. This next iteration should fully integrate all  
25 cost-effective electric efficiency retrofits, including lighting, appliances, and HVAC  
26 equipment.

1           These enhanced programs should be supported by improved financing  
2 mechanisms structured to provide customers with positive cash flow from their  
3 contribution toward their customized efficiency investment project.

4   ***E. Economic Screening of DSM Investment Portfolios***

5   **Q: How should utilities, program administrators and regulators evaluate the cost-**  
6 **effectiveness of DSM plans?**

7   A: The basic cost-effectiveness test for DSM efforts is the total resource cost (TRC) test.  
8 The TRC test is the present value of all benefits of the DSM minus the present-value of  
9 all costs of the DSM, regardless of whether those costs and benefits are borne by  
10 participants, utility customers as a whole, or a broader group defined by the regulator.  
11 The DSM program passes the TRC test if the net benefit is positive. Among competing  
12 DSM portfolios, the one with the greatest net resource benefits is economically  
13 superior to its alternatives.

14           In addition, the utility cost test (UCT), which subtracts the present value of all  
15 DSM costs that flow through the utility from the present value of all DSM benefits that  
16 flow through the utility, is useful to confirm that the DSM is likely to reduce revenue  
17 requirements for utility customers.

18           The process of determining which competing DSM program portfolios are cost-  
19 effective and selecting between them is referred to as “screening.” Programs that pass  
20 screening are generally incorporated into the DSM portfolio and investment plan, with  
21 consideration of necessary ramp-up periods for new and expanded efforts.

22   **Q: What are the benefits of DSM?**

23   A: The most readily quantifiable benefits of DSM are the avoided supply costs. In  
24 addition, various DSM programs have other benefits, such as enhanced comfort,  
25 aesthetics, and productivity. The avoided supply costs include the costs of acquiring  
26 generation resources for energy and capacity, subject to constraints imposed by  
27 legislative and regulatory policy, as well as the incremental costs of transmission and

1 distribution.<sup>7</sup> Some electric avoided costs are naturally expressed in dollars per MWh,  
2 and others in dollars per kW-year. The value of avoided energy costs in any particular  
3 projection will generally vary over time: from year to year, among months, and among  
4 various periods of the day and week. The forecast of avoided capacity costs may  
5 similarly have different values in different years, and the avoided capacity costs may  
6 be distributed among high-load hours in the various seasons. For simplicity in  
7 exposition, analysts will sometimes reduce the variety of avoided costs to a single  
8 value, such as the levelized value per MWh of a particular load shape over a particular  
9 number of years. Such summary values should not be used in determining the cost-  
10 effectiveness of DSM with any other load shape or duration.

11 **Q: In an appropriate economic screening process, how would the estimates of**  
12 **avoided costs affect the cost-effectiveness of DSM measures?**

13 A: Higher avoided costs result in more DSM measures and programs having benefits  
14 higher than their costs, and thus passing under the TRC and UCT screening tests. As a  
15 result, it is crucial to accurately estimate the avoided costs, in order to identify and plan  
16 for all cost-effective DSM. As illustrated in Exh. JPPC-3, the optimal DSM plan is  
17 generally the one that maximizes TRC net benefits, when all costs and benefits are  
18 included in screening.

### 19 **III. FortisBC's Gas DSM Plan**

#### 20 **A. *FEU's 2014–2018 Proposed Spending and Savings***

21 **Q: What are FortisBC Gas' (FEU) current plans for natural gas programs?**

22 A: FEU's spending and savings goals for 2014 through 2018 are presented in Table 4.

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<sup>7</sup> All of these avoided supply costs should be increased by marginal line losses, unless the savings estimates are increased for those losses to the generation level.

1     **Table 4: FEU Planned Gas DSM for 2014 through 2018**

Year	Spending (\$ Million)	Incremental Annual Savings (GJ/yr)	\$/GJ-yr	Savings as % of Sales
2014	\$34.35	703,948	\$48.80	0.40%
2015	\$36.54	898,760	\$40.65	0.50%
2016	\$35.84	802,370	\$44.67	0.45%
2017	\$35.39	681,290	\$51.94	0.38%
2018	\$35.87	626,051	\$57.30	0.35%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$177.99</b>	<b>3,712,419</b>	<b>\$47.94</b>	

2     ***B. Composition of FEU's Proposed DSM Portfolio***

3     **Q: What does FEU propose for its 2014–2018 DSM portfolio?**

4     A: Table 5 lists the planned spending by program for 2014–2018 and Table 6 lists the  
5     planned savings.

1 **Table 5: FEU Planned Gas DSM Spending by Program (\$000)**

Program	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Residential	\$10,558	\$11,152	\$11,110	\$10,700	\$11,383
Commercial	\$11,132	\$11,573	\$10,972	\$10,416	\$10,051
Industrial	\$1,912	\$2,357	\$2,662	\$2,983	\$2,983
Low Income	\$2,629	\$2,822	\$3,042	\$3,247	\$3,483
Conservation Education and Outreach	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400
Innovative Technologies	\$1,207	\$1,218	\$1,233	\$1,218	\$1,210
Enabling Activities	\$4,515	\$5,015	\$4,420	\$4,425	\$4,365
<b>Portfolio Total</b>	<b>\$34,353</b>	<b>\$36,537</b>	<b>\$35,839</b>	<b>\$35,389</b>	<b>\$35,875</b>

2 **Table 6: FEU Planned Incremental Gas DSM Savings (GJ/year)**

Program	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Residential	190,255	212,785	223,384	236,422	271,890
Commercial	367,794	444,502	364,129	283,918	229,511
Industrial	109,664	142,349	168,172	127,838	66,991
Low Income	26,357	26,919	27,747	27,768	28,190
Innovative Technologies	9,878	72,204	18,937	5,343	29,468
<b>Portfolio Total</b>	<b>703,948</b>	<b>898,760</b>	<b>802,370</b>	<b>681,290</b>	<b>626,051</b>

3 **Q: Is this a reasonable portfolio of gas DSM programs?**

4 A: For its size, FEU's proposed mix of DSM programs is reasonable. Taken together, the  
5 proposed programs cover the market segments listed in Table 3.

6 We also conclude, however, that portfolio economic performance would improve  
7 and net resource benefits would increase if program resources were re-allocated within  
8 the overall level of expenditures FEU proposes. The net benefits of this reallocation  
9 are separate and apart from those that would accrue from increasing the *scale* of FEU's  
10 expenditures and savings over the five-year period, as discussed in the next section.

1   **Q: Why do you conclude that FEU's proposed portfolio would benefit from**  
2   **reallocating program resources?**

3   A: Like most gas utility DSM portfolios, FEU targets the heating equipment market. The  
4   leading gas utility programs in the residential heating equipment market, featured in  
5   the ACEEE report, specifically target natural turnover of aging stock of existing  
6   residential heating equipment nearing the end of its rated life. However, FEU's  
7   program does not appear to do so. Instead, FEU targets heating systems with an  
8   average of five remaining years of service life and encourages early retirement with  
9   high-efficiency new equipment.

10   **Q: Is it wrong for FEU to target early retirement of heating equipment?**

11   A: No, not if it is cost-effective relative to competing alternatives – one of which is  
12   waiting until the end of life when people are in the market for a new furnace to replace  
13   the old one. Our concern with FEU's approach is about the extent to which early  
14   retirement is cost-effective relative to natural replacement, and how to ensure to  
15   maximization of the measure's cost-effectiveness and contribution to portfolio net  
16   benefits.

17   **Q: Has FEU examined this issue?**

18   A: Yes. According to FEU, early retirement provides greater net benefits than natural  
19   replacement, for several reasons. One is the value of the savings from replacing low-  
20   efficiency heating equipment stock. Another is the certainty of "locking in" new,  
21   more-efficient technology early. A third is that FEU finds that the incremental cost of  
22   high-efficiency equipment over minimum efficiency standards for new equipment is  
23   too high to be cost-effective.

24   **Q: Have you examined the relative cost-effectiveness of intervening at the time of**  
25   **market driven replacement versus encouraging early retirement?**

26   A: Yes.

27   **Q: What did you find, and how do your findings differ from FEU's?**



1     A:   We analyzed the cost-effectiveness of early retirement employing a different algorithm  
2           to account for the value of permanently deferring the end-of-life replacement.<sup>8</sup> We  
3           found that end-of-life replacement and early retirement are more or less a wash in  
4           terms of net benefits. (Under the modified TRC, net benefits from early retirement of a  
5           standard efficiency furnace would be \$288, versus \$185 for end-of-life replacement.)  
6           However, the big difference is the amount of money required – both total resources and  
7           program budget – to get another \$103 in net benefits from early retirement over end-  
8           of-life replacement. The results of these calculations are shown in Table 7, below.

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<sup>8</sup> “Retrofit Economics 201: Correcting Common Errors in Demand-Side Management Cost-Benefit Analysis” (J. Plunkett, R. Brailove and J. Wallach) *IGT’s Eighth International Symposium on Energy Modeling*, Atlanta, Georgia, April 1995.

1 **Table 7: Cost-Effectiveness of Retrofit vs Natural Replacement of Furnaces**  
2 [redacted]

	Incremental Cost	Deferral Credit	Residual Value & Adjusted Future Baseline	PV Benefits (Gas & Electric)	PV Net Benefits
<b>FEU TRC</b>					
Early Retirement of Standard Effic (65%)	\$4,365		\$(2,768)	redacted	redacted
Early Retirement of Mid Effic (80%)	\$4,365		\$(2,768)	redacted	redacted
Natural Replacement	\$312			redacted	redacted
<b>FEU MTRC</b>					
Early Retirement of Standard Effic (65%)	\$4,365		\$(2,768)	redacted	redacted
Early Retirement of Mid Effic (80%)	\$4,365		\$(2,768)	redacted	redacted
Natural Replacement	\$312			redacted	redacted
<b>JPPC TRC</b>					
Early Retirement of Standard Effic (65%)	\$4,365	\$(2,609)		\$944	\$(812)
Early Retirement of Mid Effic (80%)	\$4,365	\$(2,609)		\$555	\$(1,201)
Natural Replacement	\$401			\$361	\$(40)
<b>JPPC MTRC</b>					
Early Retirement of Standard Effic (65%)	\$4,365	\$(2,609)		\$2,044	\$288
Early Retirement of Mid Effic (80%)	\$4,365	\$(2,609)		\$1,179	\$(577)
Natural Replacement	\$401			\$586	\$185

3 **Q: What changes to FEU's approach to this market would improve the portfolio's**  
4 **economic performance?**

5 A: First, FEU should re-design its portfolio to offer incentives to customers in the market  
6 for a new furnace or boiler for whatever reason, and offer financial incentives based on  
7 the incremental cost of premium efficiency equipment over standard efficiency new  
8 models. Second, FEU should bundle heating early retirement into a comprehensive,  
9 whole-house retrofit program, i.e., LiveSmartBC.

10 **Q: How will these changes improve portfolio performance?**

11 A: First, increasing the market penetration of high-efficiency furnace replacement sales  
12 will add net benefits comparable to those estimated for early retirement, but with lower  
13 expenditures per participant. Second, integrating early retirement into a

comprehensive (whole building) approach will increase net benefits per retrofit project as fixed program costs are spread over more savings. Carefully targeting early retirement to applications most likely to be cost-effective will further increase net benefits from FEU's portfolio expenditures, such as by targeting LiveSmart to customers with annual gas usage in the top two quintiles.

**Q. Is there evidence supporting your conclusion that incorporating early retirement into LiveSmart would increase participation and savings?**

A. Yes. A November 2013 workshop was hosted by FEU on the status of the LiveSmart program. Information was presented that demonstrated the need to restore and strengthen financial incentives in order to increase program uptake and the depth of participant savings by encouraging installation of all recommended efficiency measures. Several slides from this workshop, prepared by Dunskey Energy Consulting, are attached as Exh. JPPC-4. See slides 12 through 14, showing close correlation between incentive levels and customer applications, and the decline of savings depths with customer adoption of fewer measures over time.

**C. *Recommended Spending and Savings for FEU***

**Q: Do you find that FEU can and should increase the scale of savings from its gas DSM portfolio?**

A: Yes. As shown in Table 4, above, FEU's current 2014–2018 DSM Plan would save from 0.35% to 0.50% of sales ("depth of savings"). This depth of savings is in the middle of the pack for gas DSM administrators in the United States. The average depth of savings for gas DSM efficiency programs in the United States in 2011 was 0.42%, from ACEEE data<sup>9</sup> discussed in Section II.C.<sup>10</sup> A number of states have set more

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<sup>9</sup> <http://aceee.org/research-report/e13k>

<sup>10</sup> The ACEEE report is available at <http://aceee.org/research-report/e13k>.

1 aggressive goals and are already achieving savings of over 1% of sales, including  
2 Vermont, Massachusetts, and Minnesota.

3 **Q: What is the timing and approach you recommend for gas portfolio ramp-up by**  
4 **FEU?**

5 A: FEU should expand DSM program activity as soon as possible, with an ultimate goal  
6 of achieving annual savings of one percent of sales starting in 2016 (year three of the  
7 five year performance period). This goal is in line with other leading natural gas  
8 program administrators. We recommend a five-year program period that follows the  
9 trajectory of savings as a percentage of sales outlined in Table 8.

10 **Table 8: Incremental Savings as a Percentage of Forecast Sales for FEU**

Year	Res	C&I	Total
2014	0.60%	0.60%	0.60%
2015	0.80%	0.80%	0.80%
2016	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
2017	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
2018	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%

11 **Q: How much natural gas will the expanded DSM portfolio save?**

12 A: Table 9 provides the annual incremental and cumulative gas savings expected to be  
13 achieved by the expanded portfolio. Projected annual incremental savings climb from  
14 1.1 PJs in the first year, to 1.8 PJs in the fifth year, with cumulative savings of 7.9 PJs  
15 annually by the end of 2018.

1 **Table 9: Projected Annual and Cumulative Gas Savings for FEU**

Year	Incremental PJs			Cumulative PJs		
	Residential	C&I	Total	Residential	C&I	Total
<b>2014</b>	0.42	0.65	1.07	0.42	0.65	1.07
<b>2015</b>	0.56	0.87	1.43	0.97	1.52	2.49
<b>2016</b>	0.69	1.10	1.79	1.66	2.62	4.28
<b>2017</b>	0.69	1.11	1.80	2.35	3.73	6.08
<b>2018</b>	0.69	1.12	1.81	3.03	4.85	7.88

2 **Q: How much CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions will the expanded DSM portfolio achieve?**

3 A: As shown in Table 10, these natural gas savings will yield an estimated 7.1 million  
 4 tonne reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions over the lifetimes of the installed measures (which  
 5 extend as long as 25 years for many measures).

6 **Table 10: Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Reductions for FEU**

Year	Cumulative Tonnes CO <sub>2</sub>		
	Residential	C&I	Total
<b>2014</b>	21,271	33,081	54,352
<b>2015</b>	49,578	77,616	127,194
<b>2016</b>	84,715	133,690	218,405
<b>2017</b>	119,738	190,232	309,971
<b>2018</b>	154,644	247,263	401,907
<b>Lifetime</b>	3,344,755	3,940,862	7,130,859

CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Factor for Natural Gas 0.051 Tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/GJ

7 **Q: How much will it cost FEU's ratepayers to acquire these additional gas savings?**

8 A: Spending ramps up from \$41 million in 2014, to \$68 million in 2018 (in 2013 dollars).  
 9 Table 11 shows the year-by-year total spending in the proposed portfolio

1     **Table 11: Projected Spending by Year**

Year	Budgets (Millions 2013\$)		
	Residential	C&I	Total
2014	\$25.47	\$15.20	\$40.67
2015	\$33.91	\$20.46	\$54.37
2016	\$42.33	\$25.76	\$68.09
2017	\$42.28	\$25.98	\$68.26
2018	\$42.22	\$26.20	\$68.42

2     **Q: How do FEU’s proposed program spending and savings compare with other**  
3     **utilities?**

4     **A:** Table 12 and Table 13 compare sector-level projections for FEU’s proposed spending  
5     with historical results and current projections for Vermont Gas (VT Gas), and the  
6     combined gas utilities in Massachusetts (MA Statewide). VT Gas is representative of a  
7     smaller utility achieving high savings as a percentage of sales even with a service  
8     territory with low population density. MA Statewide is an example of a large concerted  
9     effort by a nearby state to ramp up savings to one percent (“1%”) of sales, securing a  
10    role as a nationwide leader in natural gas efficiency.

11           Table 12 shows the average cost per annual therm saved (in 2013 dollars) for  
12    each administrator.

13           Table 13 shows the average savings as a percentage of sales for each  
14    administrator. The average values in these tables take into account actual results  
15    starting in 2010, as well as recent projections if available.

1     **Table 12: Comparison of Average Cost per Annual GJ (2013\$)**

Average 2013\$/GJ-yr			
Admin	Res	C&I	Total
FEU	\$60.72	\$39.97	\$45.78
VT	\$47.97	\$13.08	\$25.45
MA	\$74.17	\$33.78	\$69.22

2     **Table 13: Comparison of Average Savings as a Percentage of Sales**

Average Savings as a Percentage of Sales			
Admin	Res	C&I	Total
FEU	0.41%	0.42%	0.41%
VT	0.92%	1.03%	0.98%
MA*	0.70%	0.54%	0.89%

*\*MA Sector values are for historical data, while  
portfolio values include projections*

3             FEU's projected costs are lower than both VT and MA on the residential side,  
4             suggesting that spending more per GJ for more aggressive savings is entirely possible.  
5             On the nonresidential side, FEU's costs-projections are much higher than both VT and  
6             MA, suggesting that additional scale economies or additional programs for commercial  
7             and industrial customers may be possible. In the end, FEU's total portfolio projections  
8             come in slightly under MA and above VT.

9             We can also compare projected unit costs for FEU to the average unit costs of the  
10            top ten states in the United States in 2011 (as shown in Table 1). The top ten US gas  
11            states have an average unit cost of USD\$4.49/therm, which converts to \$45.57/GJ  
12            (2013 CAD\$). This is lower than what FEU is projecting.

1           Looking at savings as a percentage of sales, FEU is achieving solid but not  
2           outstanding savings. FEU's projections of its depth of savings are below those of both  
3           MA and VT, but only slightly below the median of 0.69% of sales achieved by the top  
4           ten states in 2011. It is also important to note that FEU is projecting approximately the  
5           same savings levels for residential as non-residential, which should help keep overall  
6           portfolio costs lower as residential savings are typically more expensive to achieve (as  
7           shown in Table 12).

8    ***D. Benefits and Costs of Expanding FEU Gas DSM Investment Portfolio***

9    **Q: How did you develop your projections of annual DSM portfolio expenditures for**  
10   **expanded gas DSM savings?**

11   A: To compute annual expenditures for the expanded portfolio, we multiplied the  
12       residential and non-residential spending per annual incremental GJ saved in the years  
13       2014 through 2018 by the annual incremental savings by class shown in Table 9. The  
14       annual savings were calculated by multiplying forecast annual sales by the annual  
15       incremental percent savings projection for each year and sector. With the historical and  
16       planned savings and spending of industry leaders in mind, we used professional  
17       judgment to project both how much annual incremental savings FEU could achieve as  
18       a percentage of forecast sales, and how much they should be expected to spend per  
19       annual GJ saved to achieve them.

20   **Q: How did you compare the benefits and costs of expanding FEU's gas DSM**  
21   **portfolio?**

22   A: The benefits and costs of gas DSM investment were compared from two perspectives:  
23       total resource costs, and gas system costs (also known as program administrator costs).  
24       The primary test for DSM cost-effectiveness is the TRC test, which accounts for all the  
25       benefits and costs to the economy of the efficiency investment, regardless of who  
26       enjoys or pays for them. Costs consist of the efficiency measure costs and the costs of  
27       marketing, technical assistance, management, and other program functions that are  
28       more or less fixed with respect to the volume of program activity and/or the number of



1 efficiency measures installed. The net benefits to the economy from cost-effective  
2 DSM investment are the difference between the present worth of benefits and costs of  
3 the programs over the lifetimes of all the measures installed as a result of the program.

4 The gas system perspective, by contrast, counts only those benefits and costs of  
5 DSM programs that fall within the sphere of costs paid by all gas system ratepayers. It  
6 indicates the extent to which a program or portfolio of programs benefits the group of  
7 ratepayers supporting the investment.

8 **Q: What are the lifetime costs and benefits you estimate if FEU implemented the**  
9 **expanded DSM portfolio you recommend?**

10 A: Table 14 summarizes the cost-effectiveness of the recommended portfolio under both  
11 the total resource cost test and the utility cost (UC) tests.

1     **Table 14: FortisBC Gas DSM Program Budgets for 1% Annual Savings**<sup>11</sup>

NPV	TRC Test	UC Test
<b>Total Portfolio</b>		
<b>Costs</b>	\$430	\$327
<b>Benefits</b>	\$659	\$603
<b>Net Benefits</b>	\$230	\$275
<b>B/C Ratio</b>	1.53	1.84
<b>Residential</b>		
<b>Costs</b>		\$203
<b>Benefits</b>		\$266
<b>Net Benefits</b>		\$63
<b>B/C Ratio</b>		1.31
<b>Nonresidential</b>		
<b>Costs</b>		\$124
<b>Benefits</b>		\$336
<b>Net Benefits</b>		\$212
<b>B/C Ratio</b>		2.71

2     **Q: How did you estimate the total resource costs from your projections of program**  
3     **expenditures?**

4     **A:** We approximated the amount of efficiency measure costs not included in the program  
5     and portfolio expenditures based on two assumptions about the structure of program  
6     costs, based on our knowledge of the program designs as recommended and our  
7     professional judgment. The first assumption concerns the share of portfolio

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<sup>11</sup> TRC benefits and costs discounted at a real discount rate of 4.08%; PAC values discounted at the real discount rate of 4.93%.

1 expenditures that goes toward financial incentive as opposed to all the other, largely  
2 fixed, costs associated with administering the program, including marketing, technical  
3 assistance, management, reporting and evaluation. The second key assumption is what  
4 fraction of the total costs of efficiency measures installed through the program is  
5 defrayed by program spending on financial incentives. Based on a five-year outlook  
6 and in line with comparable DSM portfolios with which we are familiar, we assumed  
7 the same number for both, i.e., that financial incentives take up two thirds of the total  
8 portfolio budget, and that across programs, they cover the same percentage of  
9 incremental and installed efficiency measure costs.

10 **Q: How much in additional net benefits would accrue to the British Columbia**  
11 **economy if the DSM were to be scaled up to the recommended 1% savings level?**

12 A: By increasing the DSM spending and savings over the next 5 years, the British  
13 Columbia economy would reduce its net total resource costs by an additional \$127  
14 million.

#### 15 **IV. FortisBC's Electric DSM Plan**

##### 16 **A. *FBC's proposed 2014–2018 DSM expenditures and savings***

17 **Q: What is FBC's proposed DSM Plan?**

18 A: FBC proposes to reduce spending and savings from the levels approved by the BCUC  
19 for 2012-13 by more than half. Table 15 compares FBC's proposed plan with the  
20 spending and savings from the previously approved plan, projected forward onto the  
21 years 2014–2018.

1 **Table 15: Comparison of FBC Proposed and Previously Approved DSM**

Year	Spending (\$000s)	Savings (MWh)	Savings as % of Sales	\$/kWh-yr
<b>FBC Proposed</b>				
2014	\$3,001	12,800	0.48%	\$0.23
2015	\$3,087	12,887	0.47%	\$0.24
2016	\$3,054	12,823	0.47%	\$0.24
2017	\$3,100	12,823	0.46%	\$0.24
2018	\$3,153	12,823	0.46%	\$0.25
<b>FBC Previously Approved</b>				
2014	\$7,173	25,656	0.95%	\$0.28
2015	\$7,328	26,015	0.96%	\$0.28
2016	\$7,417	26,266	0.96%	\$0.28
2017	\$7,512	26,187	0.94%	\$0.29
2018	\$7,675	26,475	0.94%	\$0.29

2 **Q: What is the depth of savings associated with FBC's proposed DSM Plan?**

3 A: Rather than achieving 0.9% energy savings, FBC now proposes to acquire only 0.5%  
4 energy savings.

5 **Q: How does Fortis justify this proposed reduction in portfolio scale?**

6 A: According to FBC, the estimated value of electricity savings from DSM programs has  
7 fallen by a third. This decline in value rendered the previous portfolio no longer  
8 sufficiently cost-effective under the Total Resource Cost test. FBC therefore removed  
9 efficiency measures and programs whose savings were no longer cost-effective at the  
10 lower avoided costs it now projects. The lower expenditures and their associated  
11 program savings were the result.

12 **Q: Is it true that FBC's avoided long-run marginal costs are a third lower than**  
13 **projected when the Commission approved the 2012-13 DSM Plan?**

1 A: No, as discussed in Section IV. E.

2 ***B. FortisBC's Screening of DSM***

3 **Q: How did FBC use the TRC and UCT in developing its proposed 2014–2018 DSM**  
4 **plan?**

5 A: It does not appear that FBC actually used the TRC or UCT to design its proposed DSM  
6 portfolio. Table 16 lists the measures that pass the TRC test in FBC's screening, but for  
7 which FBC reduced the number of planned installations from the existing portfolio  
8 (FBC Exhibit B-12 Attachment 20.1.1) to the proposed portfolio (FBC Exhibit B-12  
9 Attachment 20.1). Table 16 also lists the measures with TRC ratios greater than 1.0  
10 that FBC chose not to include in either the original portfolio or the proposed portfolio.

1 **Table 16: Cost-Effective Measures Curtailed in FBC Proposal**

Measure	TRC B/C Ratio		Included Unit Count	
	Original Portfolio	Proposed Portfolio	Original Portfolio	Proposed Portfolio
Insulation: R0 Base	1.07	1.15	702,790	562,232
Insulation: R19 Base	1.45	1.50	1,210,526	968,421
Windows: Dual	3.30	3.30	0	0
Refrigerator: Pick-up	1.96	1.87	333	0
Freezer	1.67	1.16	1,517	0
Freezer: Pick-up	1.70	1.62	221	0
Consumer Electronics	2.42	2.42	0	0
HVAC Optimization	1.19	1.15	731,900	0
Building Optimization	1.66	1.89	423,132	0
Servers	3.62	2.94	15	0
Wastewater	2.16	2.08	1	0
Energy Management Systems	3.86	3.82	1	0

2 As indicated in Table 16, even where FBC finds a measure to be cost-effective, it  
3 has often reduced the proposed rate of implementation of that measure, or omitted the  
4 measure entirely. Many of FBC's reductions in proposed spending and saving are  
5 clearly not driven by its changes in its projected avoided costs. Even with FBC's low  
6 estimate of LRMC, it could design a cost-effective portfolio as large as the 2012 IRP  
7 portfolio.

8 **Q: Has FBC demonstrated that previously approved expenditure levels could not**  
9 **produce cost-effective savings at the lower avoided costs FBC claims?**

10 A: No, it has not.

11 **Q. How did FBC construct its reduced 2014–2018 portfolio?**

1 A: FBC calculated the benefits of savings produced by the program expenditures  
2 associated with extending the previous plan into the 2014–18 period at the (assumed)  
3 lower avoided costs. It found that the portfolio as constituted no longer produced  
4 sufficient resource benefits to satisfy the minimum performance requirement (i.e.,  
5 MTRC). FBC changed the portfolio by removing measures and programs components  
6 that were not cost-effective until the portfolio achieved the minimum level of TRC  
7 cost-effectiveness. This exercise demonstrates that one way to improve net benefits of  
8 a portfolio is simply to delete its uneconomic or even less economic parts.

9 **Q: What other options are available for improving portfolio economic performance**  
10 **in the face of lower avoided costs?**

11 A: In place of or in addition to deleting program expenditures for program components,  
12 portfolio administrators can increase their positions in other program components that  
13 are relatively more cost-effective. For example, commercial/industrial electric  
14 efficiency investment is generally more cost-effective than residential because  
15 levelized costs per kWh saved are generally lower. A portfolio can be rebalanced  
16 within and between sectors and market segments to increase net benefits by shifting  
17 expenditures toward those more cost-effective savings sources.

18 **Q. Did FBC conduct such an analysis?**

19 A. No, it did not.

20 **Q: Did FBC explain why not?**

21 A: Not convincingly. Essentially, FBC said it did not do so because rebalancing the  
22 portfolio would favor large customers to the disadvantage of residential customers.

23 **Q. Is a potentially adverse distributional outcome a valid reason for restricting the**  
24 **scale of a cost-effective efficiency portfolio?**

25 A. No. Not according to accepted regulatory policy at this or any other commission we  
26 know of. Using putative distributional consequences to stop an economically superior

1 resource investment would be unheard of, running contrary to least-cost resource  
2 planning as well as regulatory policy.

3 **Q. Why is such reasoning invalid?**

4 A. First, there is nothing inherently unfair about acquiring cost-effective efficiency  
5 resources disproportionately from large customers, especially not if portfolio costs are  
6 assigned and allocated to participating classes in proportion to their relative program  
7 spending and savings. Second, the prescribed method for evaluating the cost-  
8 effectiveness of DSM portfolios prohibits the Commission from approving a proposed  
9 DSM plan which has been restricted solely on the basis of rate impacts. Since a  
10 portfolio with greater savings will have greater net resource benefits than FBC's  
11 proposal, FBC in effect is screening out increased DSM exclusively on the basis of  
12 alleged adverse rate impacts (and without recognizing corresponding bill impacts).

13 **Q. Is there other evidence that FBC is seeking to restrict cost-effective efficiency**  
14 **acquisition due to adverse rate impacts?**

15 A. Yes. FBC states that it has not relied on the RIM test to discontinue any individual  
16 measures and claims that the “2.2% rate impact benefit is a byproduct of the condensed  
17 DSM Plan.”<sup>12</sup> However, FBC also states explicitly that it rejected continuation of the  
18 previously approved DSM expenditures “in part because of the 2.2 per cent rate impact  
19 it creates.”<sup>13</sup> FBC dismisses as “modest” and “not...significant” a 12 percent increase  
20 in DSM target savings from including all cost-effective (by its evaluation) measures.<sup>14</sup>  
21 When asked if an alternative DSM plan with higher spending and savings than FBC  
22 proposes could be cost-effective, i.e., produce higher net benefits under either the TRC,  
23 MTRC, or the Utility Cost test, FBC’s response was that “FBC agrees that it is a

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<sup>12</sup> FBC Exhibit B-21, BCSEA IR 65.6; FBC Exhibit B-21, BCSEA IR 66.2

<sup>13</sup> FBC Exhibit B-12, BCSEA IR 21.2

<sup>14</sup> FBC Exhibit B-21, BCSEA IR 64.2.2



1 possibility, but such an alternative plan could also increase the rate impact and could  
2 restrict the range of programs across the customer classes.”<sup>15</sup>

3 In short, while FBC may not have literally used a RIM test to screen out specific  
4 measures it certainly used rate impacts to support its drastic cut in the portfolio as a  
5 whole. This is a distinction without a difference.

6 Moreover, presenting rate impacts in the absence of corresponding bill impacts  
7 on customers is an error of omission; the former is meaningless without the latter.

8 **Q: Do you have any evidence that the previously approved portfolio could be**  
9 **rebalanced to meet TRC cost-effectiveness requirements?**

10 A: Yes. We rebalanced the portfolio using the cost-effectiveness calculator FBC provided  
11 in response to discovery. We found that it would be possible to move expenditures  
12 away from less cost-effective programs in favor of more cost-effective programs to  
13 produce enough total resource benefits to achieve sufficient cost-effectiveness from the  
14 previously approved annual expenditure levels over the 5-year portfolio. The results  
15 are shown in Tables 17 and 18.

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<sup>15</sup> FBC Exhibit B-21, BCSEA IR 63.3.1, underline added

1 **Table 17: FBC Rebalanced Portfolio Savings**

Program Area	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
	Plan Savings	Plan Savings	Plan Savings	Plan Savings	Plan Savings
<b>Programs by Sector</b>	<u>MWh</u>	<u>MWh</u>	<u>MWh</u>	<u>MWh</u>	<u>MWh</u>
Residential	10,121	9,910	9,862	9,882	9,902
General Service	17,113	17,364	17,660	17,324	17,577
Industrial	<u>2,221</u>	<u>2,259</u>	<u>2,296</u>	<u>2,334</u>	<u>2,371</u>
<b>Total Programs:</b>	<b>29,454</b>	<b>29,533</b>	<b>29,818</b>	<b>29,540</b>	<b>29,850</b>

2 **Table 18: FBC Rebalanced Portfolio Cost and Cost-Effectiveness**

Programs by Sector	<u>2014 Plan</u>			<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
	Cost	TRC	TRC incl mTRC	Plan Cost	Plan Cost	Plan Cost	Plan Cost
	<u>\$(000)</u>	<u>B/C ratio</u>		<u>\$(000)</u>	<u>\$(000)</u>	<u>\$(000)</u>	<u>\$(000)</u>
Residential	2,438	1.2	1.2	2,317	2,301	2,293	2,286
General Service	3,326	1.3	1.5	3,403	3,485	3,464	3,545
Industrial	<u>300</u>	<u>3.1</u>	<u>3.1</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>330</u>
<b>Sub-total Programs:</b>	<b>6,064</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6,027</b>	<b>6,101</b>	<b>6,080</b>	<b>6,161</b>
Supporting Initiatives	525			525	525	525	525
Planning & Evaluation	<u>773</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>786</u>	<u>799</u>	<u>813</u>	<u>827</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,362</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>7,338</b>	<b>7,425</b>	<b>7,418</b>	<b>7,513</b>

3 **Q: Is there other evidence that continuing with the previously approved FBC**  
4 **expenditure levels would be cost-effective in spite of avoided costs equal to only**  
5 **two thirds of the value used to justify the previous DSM plan?**

1 A: Yes. Despite FBC's claim in its filing that results from recent program implementation  
2 "support" its proposed cut to DSM, on the contrary, the last year's worth of results  
3 indicate that as implemented the portfolio would still be almost cost-effective under the  
4 TRC. In fact, this simple re-statement of benefit/cost results clearly indicates that  
5 relatively modest shifts in the portfolio's composition would render it sufficiently cost-  
6 effective to meet Commission requirements.<sup>16</sup>

7 **Q: What do you conclude with regard to FBC's assertion that lower avoided costs**  
8 **necessitate reductions in previously approved DSM portfolio expenditures?**

9 A: There is absolutely no persuasive evidence to substantiate FBC's claim that previously  
10 approved DSM portfolio expenditures should be drastically reduced. The proposed  
11 curtailment of the portfolio should be rejected.

12 **Q: How should FBC's portfolio be restructured?**

13 A: No matter what level of expenditures the Commission approves for FBC, the portfolio  
14 should be organized according to the framework laid out in Table 3 in Section II.C,  
15 above, to align the constituent programs with best industry practice. The top priority is  
16 full integration with FEU gas DSM programs where indicated. In particular, FBC  
17 programs should

- 18 • "piggyback" on FEU programs targeting the residential retrofit, new  
19 construction, and renovation, and
- 20 • form the platform with FBC in the lead for nonresidential construction and  
21 retrofit programs targeting comprehensive electric and gas efficiency savings  
22 in building and facilities.

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<sup>16</sup> FBC Exhibit B-12, BCSEA IR 21.1

1 In addition, FBC should standardize its program strategies with BC Hydro's  
2 programs targeting high-efficiency electric products, appliances, and equipment in  
3 retail and wholesale markets.

4 ***C. Benchmarking FBC's proposed expenditures and savings***

5 **Q: How much per kWh of annual energy savings does FortisBC propose to spend to**  
6 **acquire efficiency resources under its 5-year plan?**

7 A: Dividing spending by annual incremental energy savings indicates that FortisBC plans  
8 to spend between \$0.23 and \$0.25 per first year annual kWh of electric energy savings.  
9 As discussed in Section II.B., this figure is not the same as the levelized cost of saved  
10 energy, which is a function of the life expectancy of the resulting savings and the  
11 discount rate. At an assumed average measure life of 15 years and a real discount rate  
12 of 6 percent, this translates to \$0.0245/kWh saved, well below the Company's estimate  
13 of avoided supply costs of \$0.05661/kWh.

14 **Q: How does this unit cost compare with industry experience?**

15 A: On the basis of empirical analysis of DSM portfolio costs and savings across the  
16 industry (Exhibit JPPC-5), GEEG projects that at the savings level FBC plans, it  
17 should expect to spend \$0.429/kWh-yr in 2014, increasing to \$0.470/kWh-yr by 2018  
18 for residential, and \$0.351/kWh-yr in 2014, increasing to \$0.392/kWh-yr by 2018 for  
19 non-residential. This is due to the reduced scale of FBC's planned efforts, which have  
20 low variable costs in relation to relatively high fixed program and portfolio  
21 infrastructure costs.

22 **Q: How did FBC's unit cost projections for its previous level of savings compare with**  
23 **industry experience?**

24 A: Our regression analysis showed that FortisBC's projections of expenditures per annual  
25 kWh of savings for 0.9% savings in its previous plans aligned closely with empirical  
26 cost predictions from industry experience.

1    **D.   Increasing FBC DSM savings**

2    **Q:   Can FortisBC substantially increase its achievement of cost-effective electric**  
3       **efficiency savings compared to the previously approved plan?**

4    A:   Yes. As Plunkett testified in the last FBC DSM expenditure review, FBC can cost-  
5       effectively double its achievement of electric efficiency savings compared to the 2012–  
6       2013 plan. The primary reason is that leading North American electric efficiency  
7       portfolio administrators have been and plan to continue saving two percent of total  
8       retail electric energy sales annually for half the long-run marginal costs of supply they  
9       avoid. FortisBC could do likewise by following industry best practices in scaling up  
10      participation and savings and thereby doubling portfolio savings.

11   **Q:   What industry experience supports your finding that industry leaders have**  
12      **achieved or plan to achieve savings in the two-percent range?**

13   A:   This experience is documented in a report prepared by GEEG for BCSEA, *et al*<sup>17</sup>. It  
14      contains annual spending and savings by selected North American efficiency portfolio  
15      administrators going back as far as 2001 and in several jurisdictions future projections  
16      for up to 20 years. Exhibit JPPC-5 provides information for portfolios with the highest  
17      percentage of annual savings as well as others with lower savings. On the basis of  
18      results and plans of leading jurisdictions, the report projects the annual expenditures  
19      FortisBC would need to make to achieve annual savings equal to two percent of  
20      electric energy sales.

21   **Q:   What do you find from your data on industry DSM savings performance?**

22   A:   Portfolio performance falls into a range spanning four savings tiers.

23       Tier 1(≥1.5%): In the top tier, states are achieving at or near two percent (2%) of  
24       sales. It contains eight program years of experience, including California for the

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<sup>17</sup> Exhibit JPPC-5, Expanding Energy Efficiency Resource Acquisition for FortisBC Electric

1 past four of the five years, Vermont for the past three years, as well as  
2 Connecticut as of last year.

3 Tier 2 ( $\geq 0.67\%$  and  $< 1.5\%$ ): States in the second tier are saving at or near one percent  
4 (1%) of annual sales, with annual savings ranging from two-thirds (2/3) of one  
5 percent to 1.5 percent of sales. In addition to earlier years' performance by  
6 California, Vermont, and Connecticut, this group also includes 60 program years  
7 of experience from efficiency portfolios in Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Nevada,  
8 New York, Rhode Island, Hawaii, the Pacific Northwest, British Columbia, and  
9 Nova Scotia.

10 Tier 3 ( $\geq 0.33\%$  and  $< 0.67\%$ ): States with savings at or near 0.5% of sales fall into the  
11 third tier. This group contains 25 program years of results, and includes savings  
12 in even earlier years for states in the first two tiers, plus Arkansas, New Jersey,  
13 and Wisconsin.

14 Tier 4 ( $< 0.33\%$ ): All other states with savings less than one-third (1/3) of a percent of  
15 sales fall into the lowest tier. This group saved around 0.25% of sales and  
16 includes earlier results for some states with performance in Tier 3, as well as  
17 Texas, and Arkansas

18 **Q: Into which performance tier does FortisBC's DSM Plan fall?**

19 A: FortisBC's previously approved savings plan of 1.0% of annual sales places it squarely  
20 in the second-to-top performance tier. Its current proposal put it in Tier 3 if it actually  
21 achieves its expected savings at its proposed budget. More likely, however, is that  
22 savings resulting from its proposed budget will be less than planned. At acquisition  
23 costs predicted by industry experience, adhering to its proposed budget would probably  
24 land FBC in the bottom savings tier.

25 **Q: Describe results and characteristics of portfolios in the top two performance tiers.**

26 A: Portfolio administrators in thirteen jurisdictions report 69 program-years of collective  
27 experience since 2001 achieving savings ranging from 0.67 percent to 2.53 percent of  
28 sales. These leading efficiency portfolios are located in British Columbia, California,

1 Connecticut, Hawaii, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Nevada, Nova Scotia, and Vermont.  
2 Some of these jurisdictions are continuing to pursue savings around 2% of sales  
3 annually in the years ahead, including California, Massachusetts, Nova Scotia, the  
4 Pacific Northwest, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

5 The geographic, socio-economic, and climatic diversity of these results and plans  
6 strongly suggests that *where* a portfolio is located has little bearing on whether it can  
7 be reasonably expected to achieve top-tier energy savings. This is because almost all  
8 electric end-uses have cost-effective savings potential, no matter where they are. For  
9 example Vermont, Hawaii and California have quite different geographic, socio-  
10 economic and climatic situations, but efficiency program administrators within each  
11 state plan to continue to achieve savings in the 2% range.

12 Such successful experience under such diverse conditions elsewhere leaves little  
13 doubt that FBC can scale up to top-tier efficiency portfolio performance. From this  
14 experience it is possible to predict how much it will cost to apply best industry  
15 practices to increase participation and savings per participant in order to scale up  
16 portfolio savings.

17 **Q: How do energy-efficiency resource costs change as portfolios scale up efficiency**  
18 **resource acquisition?**

19 A: The cost of acquiring efficiency resources is subject to two opposing economic forces:  
20 economies of scale and diminishing marginal returns. Some portfolio administration  
21 costs are fixed with respect to the level of participation and savings actually achieved,  
22 like development, planning, marketing, and management. Beyond a certain level of  
23 participation, fixed program costs are spread over more savings and tend to level off or  
24 decline gradually.

25 **Q: What about prospects for diminishing returns as FortisBC scales up its efficiency**  
26 **portfolio to achieve double its currently-planned electricity savings?**

27 A: As efficiency portfolios scale up activity levels and savings, the law of diminishing  
28 returns can increase the acquisition costs of efficiency savings in two mutually

reinforcing ways. First, available efficiency opportunities become more expensive as the depth of savings increases at the measure and project level. Second, experience shows that higher financial incentives are required to achieve participation rates in the 75–90 percent range, especially for more costly efficiency measures with deeper savings. These two factors can interact to raise the cost to portfolio administrators of acquiring additional savings. The upshot is that FortisBC’s electric efficiency resource supply curve will eventually become progressively steeper as the portfolio invests in acquiring more of its service area’s achievable efficiency potential.

**Q: Have you estimated what it would cost for FortisBC to scale up its portfolio to achieve annual electricity savings of 1.0 percent in 2014, 1.5 percent in 2015, and 2 percent of sales by 2016 and in subsequent years?**

A: Yes. Table 19, below, presents annual projection of annual program budgets and incremental annual energy savings for the residential and nonresidential sectors. In my opinion, these values provide a reasonable basis for setting budgetary expectations for scaling up FortisBC’s electric efficiency resource acquisition, starting in 2014.

**Q. How did you develop these projections?**

A: We did so using a two-stage process. The first stage is to estimate portfolio administrator costs of achieving the savings goals we recommend, expressed in terms of expenditures per annual kWh saved (i.e., unit costs). Next I translated unit acquisition costs by sector to sector-level budgets.

**Q: Explain how you developed your projections of FBC’s future efficiency resource acquisition costs for reaching the savings targets you recommend.**

A: As explained in Exh. JPPC-5, Section II.B (pp. 6-8), GEEG has developed an empirical model based on data on historical and planned performance that predicts acquisition costs based on several explanatory variables. These include savings as a percentage of sales; residential vs. nonresidential sector; maturity of the portfolio; starting year for projections; and geographic location. The coefficients of this equation were estimated using ordinary least squares regression analysis on the historical and



1 planned data presented in Exh. JPPC-5. Tables 3 and 4 of Exh. JPPC-5 show that the  
2 estimated coefficients and the entire equation are highly statistically significant. All  
3 coefficients are statistically significant, with confidence levels beyond 99 percent; the  
4 regression equation accounts for 87 percent of the variance in the dependent variable,  
5 portfolio administrator cost per annual kWh saved.

6 **Q: What did your regression analysis reveal about the relationship between**  
7 **efficiency resource acquisition costs and the explanatory variables you examined?**

8 A: Three findings stand out. First, the estimated equation is a polynomial function of  
9 savings depth that reveals the influence of both scale economies at savings depths  
10 below 2.5% and diminishing returns beyond that (see the cost curve depicted Figure 3,  
11 p. 8 of Exh. JPPC-5). Second, costs increase as a function of the maturity of the  
12 portfolio, the starting year of the prediction, and whether the period covered by the  
13 prediction applies to plans for the future (as opposed to predicting historical  
14 performance). Taken together, results indicate a secular trend of increasing efficiency  
15 resource acquisition costs over time, independent from the depth of savings. Third,  
16 certain locations matter—specifically, efficiency portfolios in California and New  
17 England tend to be more expensive than elsewhere, all else equal.

18 **Q: What unit costs of efficiency resource acquisition does the model predict for**  
19 **FortisBC?**

20 A: According to Exh. JPPC-5, Table 8, p. 11, “residential costs start at CAD\$0.32/kWh-  
21 yr, falling to as low as CAD\$0.22/kWh-yr by 2016, and then rising monotonically  
22 thereafter to CAD\$0.28/kWh-yr by 2023. Non-residential costs start at  
23 CAD\$0.24/kWh-yr range, falling to CAD\$0.14/kWh-yr, and ending up near  
24 CAD\$0.20/kWh-yr.”

25 **Q: How did you translate these unit costs into sector-level DSM budgets for**  
26 **FortisBC?**

27 A: Multiplying these sector-level unit costs of energy savings (\$/kWh-yr) by annual MWh  
28 savings representing two percent of forecast service-area sales for residential and

nonresidential customers provides annual budgets for FortisBC by year. Table 19 shows projected FortisBC electric DSM program budgets yielding scaling up to 2% depth of savings in 2016, and then maintaining that level through 2023, for a 10 year analysis period. The derivation of the values in Table 19 is detailed in Exh. JPPC-5.

**Table 19. FortisBC Electric DSM Program Budgets for 2% Annual Savings**

Year	Budgets (Millions 2013\$)			Incremental GWh		
	Residential	C&I	Total	Residential	C&I	Total
<b>2014</b>	\$4.51	\$3.04	\$7.55	14.2	12.8	26.9
<b>2015</b>	\$5.36	\$3.31	\$8.68	21.4	19.4	40.8
<b>2016</b>	\$6.28	\$3.62	\$9.90	28.8	26.2	55.0
<b>2017</b>	\$6.59	\$3.90	\$10.49	29.0	26.5	55.5
<b>2018</b>	\$6.92	\$4.20	\$11.12	29.2	26.9	56.1
<b>2019</b>	\$7.24	\$4.50	\$11.75	29.5	27.2	56.7
<b>2020</b>	\$7.57	\$4.81	\$12.39	29.7	27.6	57.3
<b>2021</b>	\$7.91	\$5.13	\$13.04	29.9	27.9	57.8
<b>2022</b>	\$8.25	\$5.45	\$13.70	30.2	28.3	58.4
<b>2023</b>	\$8.59	\$5.78	\$14.37	30.4	28.6	59.0

**Q: Have you calculated the levelized costs per kWh of savings associated with the annual budgets you estimate?**

**A:** Yes. As explained earlier, levelized costs are a function of the discount rate and the average life expectancy of portfolio savings, which depends in turn on the composition of the efficiency measure mix within and between the residential and nonresidential sectors. Given that high-efficiency lighting and HVAC equipment will predominate in both sectors, and that solid-state lighting will increase the longevity of residential lighting savings, average savings lifetimes of 10 and 15 years are reasonable assumptions for each respective sector. Applying these lifetimes to the residential and

1 nonresidential costs of annual savings yields estimates of levelized cost of saved  
2 energy for the residential sector of between 3.05 to 4.11 cents/kWh and 1.50 to 2.28  
3 cents/kWh for the commercial/industrial sectors. On a sales-weighted basis, this  
4 translates into an average acquisition cost of roughly 2.31 to 3.24 cents/kWh for the  
5 entire portfolio (in constant 2013 dollars, using the Company's residential-  
6 nonresidential sales split and a real discount rate of 4.93 percent).

7 **Q: Should the Commission expect these additional savings and spending levels to be**  
8 **cost-effective?**

9 A: Yes. On a levelized basis, the life-cycle costs of achieving the higher savings I  
10 recommend are roughly one third the long-run marginal costs of electricity energy and  
11 capacity that Mr. Chernick derives in his testimony below.

12 **Q: What discount rate did you use for the cost-effective analysis?**

13 A: We used a 4.93% real discount rate for the program administrators cost (PAC) test and  
14 4.08% for the total resource cost (TRC) test.

15 **Q: On what did you base these discount rate assumptions?**

16 A: They were based on weighted average cost of capital, using 40% equity at 9.15% and  
17 60% debt at 5.79% (averaging 7.13%), from FBC Exhibit B-1, pp 236-237 and a 2%  
18 interest rate. The 7.13% nominal discount rate was then converted to the 4.93% real  
19 discount rate by using 2.1% inflation from Attachment H. Reducing the debt rate by  
20 the 25% corporate tax rate produces a 4.08% rate used for the TRC test.

21 **Q: What discount rate did FBC use in its portfolio cost-effectiveness analysis?**

22 A: FortisBC used an 8% real discount rate in for its cost-effectiveness analysis.

23 **Q: What difference does it make whether one uses a higher discount rate?**

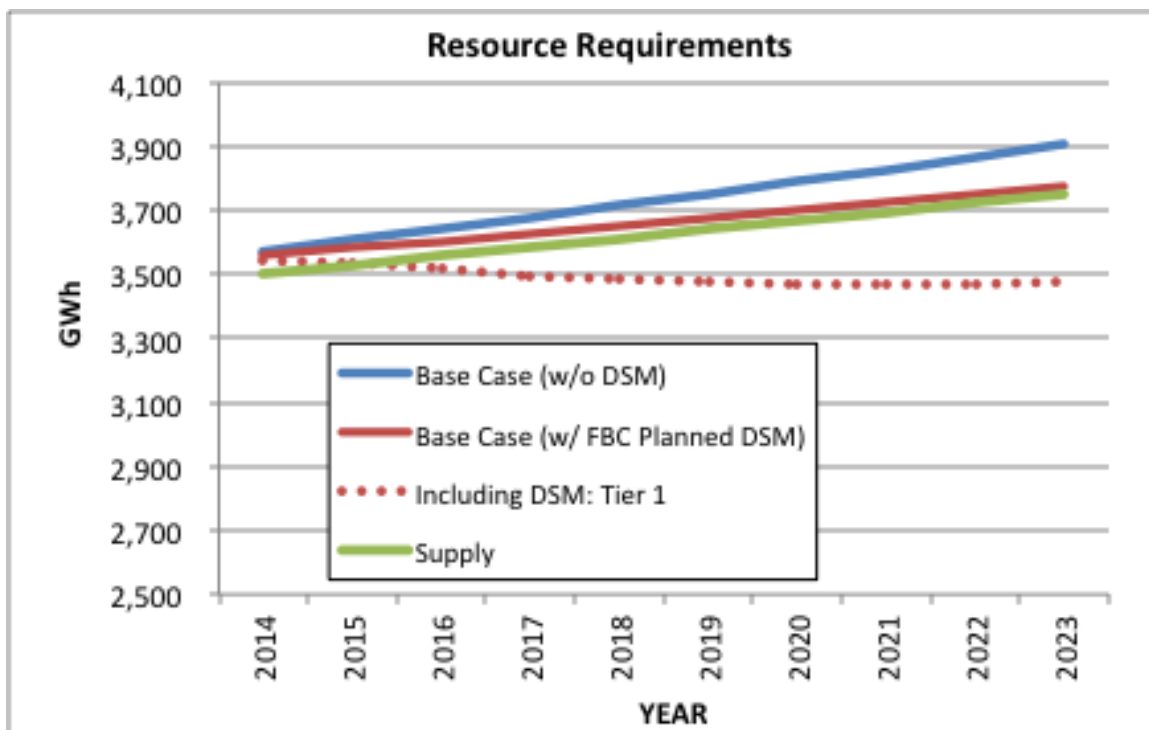
24 A: Using a higher discount rate decreases the benefits and will lead to lowering the cost-  
25 effectiveness. In other words, FBC has understated the present worth of future benefits

1 resulting from its proposed DSM portfolio, and from the continuation of expenditures  
2 under the previously approved portfolio.

3 **Q: Is there any evidence that increasing cost-effective efficiency resource acquisition**  
4 **beyond FBC's current plans would have other benefits?**

5 A: Yes. Comparing projected sales without DSM, with FBC's planned DSM, and with  
6 the higher amount of DSM we recommend, as in Figure 1, shows that the higher levels  
7 of DSM would mitigate needs for additional supply side resources that exist in the  
8 other two scenarios.

9 **Figure 1: Sales Forecasts for FBC Compared to Supply Resources**



11 **Q: Would acquiring so much more efficiency resources benefit British Columbia's**  
12 **economy?**

13 A: Acquiring energy efficiency resources equivalent to two percent of FortisBC's total  
14 electricity sales so much more cheaply than supply will be a powerful stimulus to the  
15 economy the Company serves in the years ahead. The present worth of the net benefits

1 from the efficiency portfolio investment over the next decades is \$251 million using  
2 FBC's avoided supply costs.

3 **Q: How does this compare to FBC's proposed DSM spending?**

4 A: Increasing the spending to acquire 2% savings would lower the net total resource costs  
5 to the British Columbia economy by an additional \$139 million, compared to FBC's  
6 proposed spending.

7 ***E. FBC's Avoided Long-Run Marginal Cost of Electric Supply***

8 **Q: Does FBC estimate avoided costs in its application in this proceeding?**

9 A: Yes. An estimate of avoided generation costs is developed in Exhibit B-1-1, Appendix  
10 H, Attachment H4. FortisBC simplifies its avoided energy costs to a single levelized  
11 dollar-per-MWh value over the period 2014–2043 and usually refers to that value as its  
12 long-run marginal cost or LRMC.<sup>18</sup> In discovery, FortisBC also describes an avoided  
13 T&D capacity cost of \$35/kW-year, which it refers to as a Deferred Capital  
14 Expenditure. (FBC Exhibit B-7 BCUC 1.238.1) This value is included as a benefit in  
15 the screening spreadsheet (FBC Exhibit B-12 Attachments 20.1, 20.1.1)

16 **Q: How does FBC estimate its long-run marginal cost for screening DSM programs?**

17 A: FortisBC assumed that its long-run marginal cost would be the average annual spot  
18 price at the Mid-Columbia trading hub, plus transmission to the BC border at the BPA  
19 wheeling rate for 2014 of \$1.917 USD/MWh and transmission losses of 1.90%.

20 FortisBC's LRMC forecast used "the Midgard methodology outlined in the 2012  
21 Resource Plan, but assuming BC Hydro's low-gas, low carbon forecast, updated by

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<sup>18</sup> As we discuss in the remainder of this section, DSM avoids several types of costs, and efficiency measures with different load shapes will have different avoided costs. While we follow standard terminology in BC by referring to a utility's "marginal cost," it is important to remember that no one cost is appropriate for screening all DSM.

1 Midgard June 15, 2013 BC Wholesale Market Energy Curve update.” (FBC Exhibit B-  
2 12 BCSEA 1.11.5)

3 **Q: How did Midgard estimate the Mid-Columbia price?**

4 A: Midgard multiplied a gas price forecast times assumed equivalent heat rates for high-  
5 load and low-load hours, and added an estimate of the effect of greenhouse gas  
6 regulation. “Historic pricing data from the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) is used to  
7 derive the historic heat rate (ratio of cost of electricity over cost of natural gas)  
8 between Henry Hub natural gas prices and Mid-C day-ahead electricity prices.”  
9 (Exhibit B-1-1, Appendix H, Attachment H4, Step 2a)

10 **Q: Does FBC’s LRMC estimate accurately express FBC’s actual long-run marginal**  
11 **cost?**

12 A: No. Rather than a true long-run marginal cost, FBC actually estimates only a series of  
13 *short-run* marginal energy costs. FortisBC assumes that the only costs that will vary as  
14 a result of DSM are spot energy purchases. While that may be a reasonable  
15 approximation for generation costs for 2014, it is not realistic for 2020 and  
16 preposterous for the end of FBC’s forecast in 2043.

17 **Q: Does FBC acknowledge that additional costs may be avoidable due to DSM?**

18 A: Yes. As we point out below, FortisBC acknowledges that it may need to acquire firm  
19 resources, obtain more capacity, and progress toward self-sufficiency and reduce GHG  
20 emissions, but it declines to include those costs in its estimate of “LRMC,” at least  
21 until the next Resource Plan in 2016. FortisBC acknowledges that the LRMC should  
22 include “the reduction in transmission, distribution, generation, and capacity costs  
23 valued at marginal cost” (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 11.8), but it includes no  
24 generation capacity or any fixed generation costs, and its position on transmission and  
25 distribution costs is ambiguous.

26 **Q: Does FBC assert that the energy supply avoided by DSM would be the modeled**  
27 **purchases from the Mid-Columbia trading hub?**

1 A: No. FortisBC is very vague about what resources would actually be avoided by DSM  
2 (e.g., FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 32.2, FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 42.1). The Company  
3 presents the forecast Mid-C prices as a proxy for the value of avoided electricity  
4 purchases, wherever those may originate.

5 **Q: What specific problems in FBC's analysis will you discuss?**

6 A: We first discuss the problems in FBC's estimation of its short-run marginal cost, and  
7 then discuss the additional costs that should be included in the LRMC beyond the short  
8 run.

9 ***I. FBC's Under-Estimation of Short-term Marginal Cost***

10 **Q: What portions of FBC's estimate of short-run marginal cost do you discuss?**

11 A: We describe the following problems:

- 12 1. Failure to account for the exchange rate from US dollars to Canadian dollars.
- 13 2. Use of non-firm market purchases as a proxy for reductions in firm load.
- 14 3. Use of average energy prices instead of prices at the times corresponding to DSM  
15 savings.
- 16 4. Understatement of short-term non-firm transmission charges from the Mid-  
17 Columbia market to FortisBC's service territory.
- 18 5. Understatement of avoided T&D costs.

19 **a) Failure to account for Foreign Exchange Rate**

20 **Q: How does FBC convert the US dollars in which the Mid-Columbia prices are**  
21 **quoted to Canadian dollars?**

22 A: FortisBC assumes parity between US and Canadian dollars for 2014 to 2043 (Exhibit  
23 B-1-1, Appendix H, Attachment H4).

1 **Q: Is that assumption consistent with FBC's assumption in its 2012 Long Term**  
2 **Resource Plan?**

3 A: No. "In its 2012 Long Term Resource Plan (Appendix B - Energy and Capacity Market  
4 Assessment), FBC used a USD to CAD conversion rate defined 'as a linear trend  
5 starting at 1 USD = 1 CAD in 2011 and ending at 1 USD = 1.25 CAD in 2040'" (FBC  
6 Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 4.2). This assumption was equivalent to a decline in the  
7 Canadian dollar from \$1 US in 2011 to \$0.80 US in 2040.

8 **Q: What is FBC's rationale for changing this assumption?**

9 A: FortisBC ordered Midgard to discard Midgard's own forecast in favor of the parity  
10 projection. "The GLJ January 1, 2013 forecast also included an exchange rate forecast  
11 which Midgard was directed to use because it was an independent publically available  
12 forecast." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 4.4) Even though FBC depended on Midgard for  
13 the exchange-rate forecast in the Resource Plan, FBC did not solicit or receive any  
14 opinion from Midgard regarding the use of the GLJ projection (FBC Exhibit B-21  
15 BCSEA 49.3, 49.4).

16 **Q: Is the GLJ exchange rate "an independent publically available forecast"?**

17 A: No, not in any meaningful sense of the term "forecast." Each GLJ quarterly forecast  
18 simply assumes that the exchange rate will be constant through the end of the forecast  
19 at the rate for the current quarter. For example:

20 • In January 2006, GLJ projected an exchange rate of 0.850 (US\$/Can\$) for the first  
21 quarter of 2006 and forever after.

22 • In July 2008, GLJ projected an exchange rate of 1.000 for the first quarter of 2006 and  
23 forever after.

24 • In April 2011, GLJ projected an exchange rate of 0.980 for the second quarter of 2011  
25 and forever after.

26 • In January 2013, GLJ projected an exchange rate of 1.000 for the first quarter of 2013  
27 and forever after.



- 1 • In October 2013, GLJ projected an exchange rate of 0.970 for the fourth quarter of  
2 2013 and forever after.

3 That is hardly a serious forecasting approach.

4 **Q: Does FBC claim that the GLJ assumption is a serious forecast?**

5 A: Yes. In FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 48.1, FBC quotes a general statement from GLJ  
6 regarding its methodology for its “price and market forecasts,” which does not mention  
7 the exchange-rate projection.

8 Oddly, FBC defends the GLJ projection by citing two short-term projections of  
9 exchange rates, both of which show lower exchange rates than GLJ’s projection (FBC  
10 Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 48.1).

11 **Q: Did FBC ask GLJ how it consistently determines that exchange rates will remain**  
12 **constant?**

13 A: No. FBC did not ask GLJ how it developed the projection (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA  
14 49.4).

15 **Q: Does FBC provide any support for the accuracy of the GLJ parity assumption,**  
16 **rather than the futures prices?**

17 A: No. To the contrary, FBC acknowledges that it “does not have a view on which data  
18 provides a ‘better estimate’ of future exchange rates.” (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA  
19 49.5) The only basis on which FBC can defend its use of the parity assumption is that  
20 it appears in the same document as the GLJ natural gas commodity price forecast  
21 (*ibid.*).

22 **Q: How has the exchange rate varied over the last decade?**

23 A: Table 20 shows the exchange rate annually since 1994 and quarterly in 2013. The  
24 average exchange rate has been \$0.807 US per dollar Canadian. The exchange rate has  
25 been falling consistently since December 2012.

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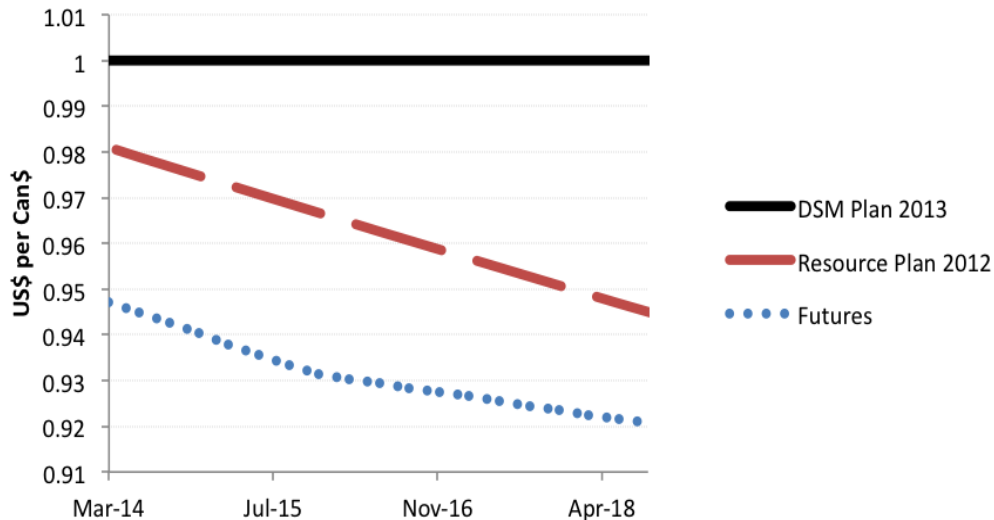
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Figure 2 compares the exchange rates from the 2012 Resource Plan, the current DSM Plan, and the futures markets.

**Figure 2: Comparison of Exchange Rates**

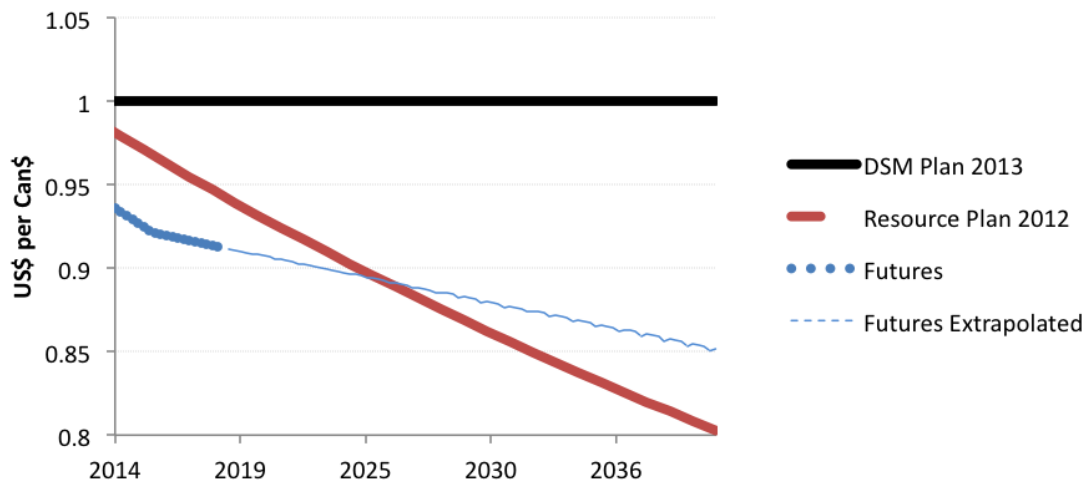


**Q: What is the implication of the differences between the 1.00 exchange rate that FBC used in the DSM filing and the market exchange rates, both recent and future?**

A: FortisBC's parity exchange rate assumption underestimates the Mid-C prices in Canadian dollars and therefore understates the cost of electricity purchases avoided by DSM. If the resulting understated avoided costs were used in screening DSM, the resulting DSM portfolio would likely exclude some cost-effective DSM.

Assuming that the futures continue to decline at the relatively gentle slope of the 2017–2018 futures, they would be higher than the Midgard forecast in the 2012 Resource Plan after 2025, as shown in Figure 3, below. Using the extrapolated futures would increase the levelized value of FBC's LRMC over the next 30 years by 12%.

1 **Figure 3: Extrapolated Exchange-Rate Futures**



2 **b) Firming the Non-firm Mid-Columbia Supply**

3 **Q: Is FBC's LRMC estimate based on the savings from avoiding firm purchases?**

4 A: No. The Mid-C spot supply used in Midgard's estimate is generally non-firm until the  
 5 day before delivery, when the price is fixed. In addition, the transmission cost that FBC  
 6 adds to the Mid-C price is non-firm.

7 **Q: Is this treatment appropriate?**

8 A: No. Once DSM investments are in place, the savings are firm, and should be valued at  
 9 the benefit of obtaining less firm supply or selling existing firm supply into the market.  
 10 If FBC were to firm up the supply price long in advance, there would likely be costs of  
 11 credit guarantees, hedging or similar costs.

12 **Q: Does FBC recognize that DSM is a firm resource?**

13 A: Oddly enough, FortisBC takes the position that "DSM is not regarded by FBC as firm"  
 14 (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 7.5) and "not all DSM savings FBC realizes can be  
 15 considered firm" (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 14.1). We do not understand how FBC  
 16 can consider efficiency measures, once implemented, to be less firm than its load. In  
 17 most cases, if an efficiency measure fails (the motor of an efficient refrigerator burns  
 18 out), load falls rather than rising. While the savings from some efficiency measures,

1           such as setback thermostats, can vary with customer behaviour, so will pre-DSM load,  
2           so even those measures that require human interaction are no less firm than FBC's  
3           load.

4   **Q: Does FBC actually meet all its short-term requirements by purchasing non-firm**  
5   **spot energy?**

6   A: No. Fortis admits that "A typical market contract for FBC has in the past been  
7       contracting for short-term supplies of firm power to be delivered to FortisBC during  
8       the on-peak hours during the peak demand months of December, January, and/or  
9       February." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 7.5) These are typically the highest-cost  
10      periods of the year.

11   **Q: Does FBC consider market purchases, such as those modeled by Midgard, to be**  
12   **reliable resources on peak?**

13   A: No. "FBC agrees that it is risky to rely on the market to meet energy...needs during  
14      periods of peak demand." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.2) While Fortis believes that  
15      off-peak energy will be available from the market, "over the longer term as FBC's  
16      requirements grow, it may be prudent to consider other options due to price risk. The  
17      2016 Resource Plan will re-examine the best resource options for FBC to meet  
18      customer capacity and energy and stand alone energy needs at that time." (*Ibid*)

19   **Q: Is it prudent to ignore the need for firm supplies until after the 2016 Resource**  
20   **Plan?**

21   A: No. FortisBC is proposing to waste five years of DSM implementation that would  
22      reduce FBC's need for additional firm energy acquisition.

23   **Q: Are you aware of any other estimation processes that use spot-market price**  
24   **forecasts and adjust them to reflect the costs of firm supply?**

25   A: Yes. The biennial New England Avoided Energy Supply Cost projections (sponsored  
26      by and covering the investor-owned utilities and/or their regulators in all six states)

1 start with projections of market prices for several regional hubs, and then add 10% to  
2 reflect the costs of firming that supply.

3 **Q: Has FBC provided any information regarding the incremental cost for firm**  
4 **purchases, over the spot price at Mid-Columbia?**

5 A: In FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 56.2, FBC indicates that it does not track its purchase  
6 costs from the US. However, FBC does track its combined hourly purchase costs from  
7 the US and BC, and reports that it paid an average of about \$5/MWh more than the  
8 Mid-Columbia price in the same hour over October 2011 to October 2013. While FBC  
9 attributes about \$4/MWh to “transmission charges and other ancillary services” (even  
10 though it includes less than \$2/MWh in its avoided costs), leaving only about \$1/MWh  
11 to cover the costs of firm supply, this is likely to underestimate the firming costs. A  
12 substantial portion of FBC’s market purchases (about one third in 2012) are from  
13 entities in BC, presumably when the costs of those sources are lower than the Mid-  
14 Columbia price.

15 **c) Shaping the Market Prices to Match DSM**

16 **Q: For what load shape is FBC’s LRMC computed?**

17 A: Midgard computed FBC’s LRMC as the average of forecasts of price in high-load  
18 hours (HLH) and low-load hours (LLH), weighted by the number of hours in each  
19 period: 55% HLH, 45% LLH (Exhibit B-1-1, Appendix H, Attachment H4, Step 3a).  
20 In effect, Midgard assumed that DSM savings would be spread evenly over all hours of  
21 the day, all days of each month, and all months of the year.

22 As FBC acknowledges, “The proxy for LRMC of market purchases calculated  
23 from Midgard’s 2013 BC Market Price Curve Update is an annual average price. No  
24 time of delivery shaping factors have been applied to the LRMC.” (FBC Exhibit B-12  
25 BCSEA 7.5.1)

26 **Q: Is that a reasonable assumption?**

1 A: No. The load reductions from most efficiency measures occur when the affected end  
2 use would have been used. As FBC says, “DSM savings will generally follow FBC’s  
3 time of day and seasonal load profile.” (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 7.5)

4 **Q: How different would the avoided costs be for “FBC’s time of day and seasonal**  
5 **load profile” than for Midgard’s assumed even distribution of savings over the**  
6 **year?**

7 A: The differences would be substantial. While FBC ignores time of day and seasonal  
8 price variations in its LRMC determination, it does provide a summary of estimates  
9 from BC Hydro of the ratio of the price in each period to the annual average (FBC  
10 Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 6.1), reproduced in Table 21, with the addition of a column for  
11 the all-hours price in each month.

12 **Table 21: BC Hydro Estimate of Ratio of Mid-C Prices to Annual Average**

Month	HLH	LLH	All Hours
Jan	116%	105%	111%
Feb	111%	102%	107%
Mar	104%	96%	100%
Apr	95%	89%	92%
May	89%	81%	85%
Jun	90%	82%	86%
Jul	105%	91%	99%
Aug	113%	97%	106%
Sep	102%	94%	98%
Oct	107%	95%	102%
Nov	111%	101%	107%
Dec	116%	106%	112%
Average	104.9%	94.9%	

13 **Q: How different are the BC Hydro estimates of period prices from FBC’s**  
14 **assumption of uniform avoided costs throughout the year?**

15 A: In BC Hydro’s estimates, the winter prices average about 10% more than the annual  
16 prices, and the HLH prices average about 5% more than the annual prices.

1 **Q: Does FBC reflect these differentials in its screening, applying higher avoided costs**  
2 **for space heating and on-peak end uses than for other DSM measures?**

3 A: No. The Company ignores these differentials.

4 **Q: Are the BC Hydro estimates reasonable approximations of the daily and seasonal**  
5 **variation of market prices?**

6 A: No, at least not over the last three years. Table 22 shows the ratio of the average Mid-C  
7 price in each period to the average annual price, averaged over the three years 2010  
8 through 2012, using data provided by FBC in FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA Attachment  
9 7.1. The differentials from the average are much greater than the BC Hydro estimates.  
10 Winter prices have been about 25% higher than the annual average, and peak prices  
11 average about 13% higher than average. The actual temporal variations in market  
12 prices have been over twice the BC Hydro estimates.<sup>19</sup>

13 **Table 22: Historical Mid-Columbia Price Ratios, 2010–2012**

Month	HLH	LLH	All Hours
Jan	141%	125%	134%
Feb	129%	104%	118%
Mar	98%	78%	89%
Apr	92%	57%	76%
May	89%	48%	70%
Jun	64%	17%	43%
Jul	104%	50%	80%
Aug	125%	89%	109%
Sep	128%	111%	120%
Oct	127%	114%	121%
Nov	132%	115%	124%
Dec	123%	108%	116%
Average	112.6%	84.6%	

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<sup>19</sup> We do not know why BC Hydro's estimate of the spread in Mid-C market prices is so much lower than the historical data indicate.



1   **Q: How would these variations in avoided energy costs affect the cost-effectiveness of**  
2   **DSM measures?**

3   A: If the avoided cost estimate took into account the hourly and seasonal price  
4   differentials, then the avoided costs for typical measures would be higher and more  
5   DSM would pass screening. This effect would be largest for space-heating measures  
6   and commercial programs targeting HLH reductions. Some off-peak summer measures  
7   would be less likely to screen.

8   **Q: Has FBC offered any basis for assuming that it would purchase market energy at**  
9   **lower prices than the market prices weighted by FortisBC's load?**

10   A: Not directly, but FortisBC does offer some indirect arguments on this issue. "The  
11   advantage of [FBC's] procurement method is that FortisBC has flexibility with regard  
12   to contract timings, quantity of contracts and contract durations." (FBC Exhibit B-12  
13   BCSEA 7.3, 8.5) This appears to be a quote from Midgard's 2011 FortisBC Electricity  
14   Market Assessment. The next sentence of that report reads "The disadvantage of this  
15   strategy is that FortisBC may misread the market and either pay a high price for the  
16   firm power or be unable to secure the quantity and quality of firm power that FortisBC  
17   is seeking." (FBC Exhibit B-12 Attachment BCSEA 4.1)

18         FortisBC also argues that "there are many times during which there is significant  
19   surplus generation [in the BPA region] because of wind and run of river hydro  
20   conditions. Indeed it is often these times where FBC is able to take advantage of the  
21   market because the flexibility of its storage resources allow it to shape the timing of its  
22   market purchases." (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 45.11; see also FBC Exhibit B-21  
23   BCSEA 45.13)

24   **Q: Has FBC provided data supporting its claim that its operational flexibility allows**  
25   **it to purchase energy at particularly low-priced times?**

26   A: No. The data that FBC has provided on the timing of its purchases and imports since  
27   2010 (FBC Exhibit B-12 Attachment BCSEA 7.6.1 and FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA  
*Direct Testimony of John Plunkett and Paul Chernick*

1 51.2) indicate that FBC's purchase patterns includes large purchases in the high-load  
2 hours and in high-cost months.<sup>20</sup>

3 In addition, in its 2012–2013 Revenue Requirements Application, FBC forecast  
4 that its spot market purchases for energy in 2013 would average \$60/MWh (BCUC  
5 Project No. 3698620, FortisBC Exhibit B-1, Table 4.1.2.2-9).<sup>21</sup> FortisBC's forecast of  
6 incremental spot energy purchase prices does not reflect low-cost off-peak purchases.

7 **d) Wheeling Rates**

8 **Q: What transmission rate would apply to wheeling energy from the Mid-Columbia**  
9 **generation pool to the British Columbia border?**

10 **A:** FortisBC provided the following information regarding the Bonneville Power  
11 Authority (BPA) transmission rate:

12 The rate that would apply to transmitting energy from Mid-C to Teck  
13 Metals Line 71 would be BPA's Hourly Firm and Non-Firm transmission  
14 service rate, under the Point to Point Rate, currently 3.74 mills per  
15 kilowatthour. Additionally, BPA's Scheduling, System Control and  
16 Dispatch Service would apply at 0.59 mills per kilowatthour and  
17 Regulation and Frequency Response Service at 0.13 mills per kilowatthour.  
18 In total, the rate for wheeling energy from Mid-C to Teck Metals Line 71  
19 would be 4.46 mills per kilowatthour, equivalent to \$4.46 per MWh. (FBC  
20 Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.4.1, underline added)

21 Those wheeling rates would be in US dollars and would need to be adjusted  
22 upward to reflect the exchange rate. In addition, FBC would incur losses of 1.9%.  
23 (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.4.1)

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<sup>20</sup> In FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA Attachment 7.7.1, FBC provides hourly market-purchase data for April 2102 to July 2013. These data are inconsistent with the summary data in FBC Exhibit B-12 Attachment BCSEA 7.6.1 and FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 51.2, for much of the period in which the datasets overlap.

<sup>21</sup> This cost estimate reflects only FortisBC's additional energy requirements, excluding low-cost spot purchases to back out more expensive energy from BC Hydro, and is thus comparable to the incremental energy that would be required by FortisBC's proposed reduction in DSM implementation.

1   **Q: What is the wheeling rate for the Teck Metals line from the US into the FBC**  
2   **service territory?**

3   A: FortisBC reports that the rate is \$0.2/MWh (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 55.1).

4   **Q: What is the cost of wheeling energy from the BPA area through BC Hydro to**  
5   **FBC?**

6   A: The tariff rate would be over \$6/MWh (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.9), plus losses of  
7   6.28%.

8   **Q: What cost is included in FBC's estimated LRMC for transmission of energy over**  
9   **the BPA system and the Teck Metal transmission line?**

10   A: Midgard added \$1.917/MWh Canadian in 2014, escalating at 1% annually. This is  
11   under 40% of the current wheeling rate of \$4.46/MWh US. FortisBC excluded the  
12   Teck Metal wheeling rate entirely, because "the exclusion of the wheeling cost for  
13   Teck Metals Line 71 in the Midgard study is not material." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA  
14   8.6).

15           In FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 56.2, FBC estimates that the costs of transmission  
16   and other ancillary services from Mid-C to the Teck Metals line have total about  
17   \$4/MWh over the last two years, twice the wheeling cost in FBC's avoided costs.

18   **Q: Are there any additional costs of wheeling energy from Mid-Columbia?**

19   A: Yes. FortisBC acknowledges that the BPA system is congested at some times, leading  
20   to higher prices for delivery to Teck Metals.

21   **Q: Does FBC include these costs in its LRMC?**

22   A: No. "The consequences of transmission congestion are highest for FBC and its  
23   customers during on peak hours during the winter peak....Given DSM is a broad  
24   measure to generally reduce load (as opposed to time of use rates which target peak  
25   loads), transmission congestion was not included in the assessment of FBC's avoided  
26   cost." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA IR 8.3) In other words, FBC seems to be saying that

1 because not all energy purchases avoided by DSM would include congestion charges,  
2 FBC ignored all congestion charges. That is not a reasonable position.

3 **Q: Is the delivery of the energy to FBC firm?**

4 A: No. FortisBC explains the situation as follows:

5 The firm transmission from Mid-C to the BC/US border (which includes  
6 Teck Metals Line 71) is fully subscribed. However, BPA routinely makes  
7 additional transmission available on a non-firm basis. ...On an hourly  
8 basis, it is expected that there will be a certain amount of this non-firm  
9 transmission available, but no guarantee that there will be enough to fully  
10 meet the demand....Therefore, if transmission can be obtained, it is  
11 expected that BPA will deliver the power but there is no guarantee. (FBC  
12 Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.7)

13 FBC has not reserved any firm transmission capacity from Mid-C to Teck  
14 Metals Line 71. (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.7.1)

15 **e) Transmission and Distribution Costs**

16 **Q: What was FBC's estimate of marginal transmission and distribution costs?**

17 A: The LRMC Avoided Cost Derivation in Attachment H4 does not mention T&D costs.  
18 Nor does the remainder of Appendix H. On discovery, FBC claimed that it "has no  
19 T&D avoided cost analyses to provide" (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 15.1) and that,  
20 with respect to "the potential avoided or deferred costs of new  
21 transmission/distribution infrastructure through the use of DSM..., then FBC has not  
22 conducted any formal studies" (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 15.2). The latter response  
23 also expresses skepticism that DSM would avoid any local T&D, and that "On the  
24 basis of this conclusion ..., FBC does not consider there to be a basis on which to  
25 conduct further marginal cost studies."

26 Nonetheless, FBC indicated on discovery that it had included a \$35/kW-year  
27 "Deferred Capital Expenditure factor, based on plan kW savings, to represent  
28 incremental Transmission & Distribution capital costs." (FBC Exhibit B-7 BCUC  
29 1.238.1, Attachment BCUC 1.248.02)

1     **Q:   How did FBC estimate those incremental transmission and distribution costs?**

2     A:   The documentation of FBC's derivation is limited to some cryptic inputs in BCSEA IR  
3         2.59.1. From that response, it appears that FBC divided some amount of growth-related  
4         T&D investments (probably \$223 million, from 2013 through 2019) by 279 MW of  
5         load growth and annualized the investment per kW over 30 years at a 6% debt rate, net  
6         of 2% inflation.

7     **Q:   Does that computation appear to be correct?**

8     A:   No. The load growth from winter 2012/13 through winter 2019/20 is only 65 MW  
9         (FortisBC 2012–2013 Revenue Requirements Application, Appendix 3A, Tab 3, Table  
10        A-3). Also, FBC's cost of capital in nominal terms is about 7.13%, or 8.35% with a  
11        25% income tax rate, and thus 6.13% in real terms. Using these corrected inputs, we  
12        estimate load-growth incremental costs of \$233/kW-year, or about \$46/MWh for the  
13        average load shape and higher for weather-sensitive on-peak loads. This compares to  
14        the \$35/MWh figure used by FBC, referred to above.

15    **2.   Longer-term Marginal Cost**

16    **Q:   How would the marginal costs in the longer term differ from the short-run costs**  
17       **that FBC includes in its estimate of the benefits of DSM?**

18    A:   Truly long-run marginal cost would include avoidable incremental costs of firm  
19        generation energy and capacity, in addition to local transmission and distribution  
20        capacity. Given public policy in British Columbia, the incremental generation resource  
21        would need to be primarily or entirely renewable, and located in British Columbia, to  
22        meet British Columbia's commitments to renewable energy development, greenhouse-  
23        gas mitigation and self-sufficiency.

24    **Q:   Do the values that FBC lists as its LRMC in this proceeding include any of the**  
25       **long-run generation cost components?**

26    A:   No. As discussed above, FBC recognizes that it will need to deal with the supply of  
27        firm energy in the 2016 Resource Plan, but chooses to ignore firm-energy requirements

1 in DSM planning. As discussed in the next section, FBC also recognizes that it faces a  
2 need for capacity within the life of most of the DSM measures that would be installed  
3 in 2014–2018, but also chooses to ignore that cost in DSM planning. Rather than an in-  
4 province renewable resource, FBC values DSM at the costs of non-renewable, carbon-  
5 emitting fossil-fueled energy sourced from the Mid-Columbia market hub.

6 **Q: Does FBC acknowledge that its proposed cut-back in DSM would contradict**  
7 **provincial GHG policies?**

8 A: No. FortisBC argues that it is not required to consider BC policies regarding  
9 greenhouse-gas emissions in its DSM planning; that its purchases from Mid-Columbia  
10 hub are much cleaner than the marginal generation in the Northwest; and that it is  
11 complying with BC policy by proposing to substantially reduce its DSM savings.

12 **Q: How will you discuss the long-run avoided-cost issues?**

13 A: We discuss generation capacity and then the costs of Greenhouse-gas mitigation and  
14 self-sufficiency.

15 **a) Generation Capacity**

16 **Q: Does the FBC estimate of marginal costs include any avoidable capacity costs?**

17 A: No.

18 **Q: What is FBC's basis for excluding capacity costs from the LRMC?**

19 A: FortisBC's explanation is difficult to summarize, so we quote it below:

20 FBC is calculating the annual average LRMC of firm spot market energy,  
21 which if purchased on an hourly basis is firm for the hour and therefore has  
22 implicit capacity costs embedded in the hourly spot price. FortisBC can  
23 also buy a short-term firm blocks of energy from a third party such as  
24 power marketer (e.g. Morgan Stanley, Shell, Powerex, etc.) for up to a year  
25 (or possibly longer), with the price indexed to the spot market price. Again  
26 since these are firm blocks they have implicit capacity costs built into the  
27 price. (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 14.1)

1 Spot market power is only sold on a dollars per MWh basis and the value  
2 of the capacity is not broken out from the value of the energy. Therefore,  
3 the LRMC used by FBC includes the value of the capacity as part of the  
4 dollar per MWh price. (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 58.1)

5 **Q: Is this a valid argument?**

6 A: No. While FBC could purchase firm capacity along with firm energy, the Midgard  
7 energy-price forecast does not include any premium for firmness. Capacity, as a  
8 commodity distinct from energy, represents the ability to produce energy in whatever  
9 hour it is needed, due to changes in load and the availability of other resources.  
10 FortisBC's description of purchases of specific amounts of energy in specific hours, a  
11 year or more in the future, is not a substitute for capacity.

12 Indeed, "FBC agrees that it is risky to rely on the market to meet energy and  
13 capacity needs during periods of peak demand." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 8.2)

14 **Q: When does FBC expect to need additional capacity?**

15 A: Figure 1.2.5-A of the 2012 Resource Plan shows a need for additional capacity in  
16 2020, if only half the then-planned DSM is implemented. Since FBC is now proposing  
17 to cut its DSM savings by about 67%, or about 45 MW, the shortfall would be  
18 considerably greater than those shown in the 2012 Resource Plan.

19 Notwithstanding its acknowledgment of the risk of depending on the market for  
20 capacity, FBC argues that in "the 2012 Long Term Resource Plan...the 2020 June and  
21 December exposure is limited to only 4% of the super peak hours in both months, or  
22 about 4 hours per month." (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 14.3.1) Nonetheless, the 2012  
23 Resource Plan showed a shortfall with half the then-planned DSM savings, and the  
24 shortfall would increase in subsequent years if load is allowed to grow.

25 **Q: How does FBC propose to deal with capacity costs in the LRMC?**

26 A: FortisBC says that "The most appropriate resources to meet FBC's long term load will  
27 be examined in the 2016 Resource Plan" (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 14.3.1).

28 **Q: Would that approach be prudent?**

1 A: No. Ignoring avoidable capacity costs in DSM planning over the next five years could  
2 result in FBC needing to acquire more-expensive resources in 2019 and 2020.

3 **b) Greenhouse-Gas Mitigation**

4 **Q: Does FBC accept that the incremental energy that it purchases from the US**  
5 **Northwest would be primarily fossil-fueled, increasing greenhouse-gas emissions?**

6 A: No. While it is often vague about the sourcing of its spot energy purchases (e.g., FBC  
7 Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 32.2, FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 2.1), FBC says that “FBC’s  
8 purchases of energy at the Mid-C would be sourced from the generation resources  
9 available in the [Northwest] region,” accompanied by a graph showing that total  
10 energy supply to the US Northwest is typically about 60% hydro, 20% coal and 10%  
11 gas (FBC Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 1.2.2)

12 FortisBC also argues that the additional energy purchased at the Mid-Columbia  
13 hub to replace lost DSM savings should be characterized by annual average generation  
14 sources rather than by the marginal generation sources (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA  
15 43.1). FortisBC expands on this assertion, as follows:

16 FBC agrees that it is likely that a decrease in load will result in  
17 displacement of whatever generation is the marginal resource at the time.  
18 Often, this will be a thermal resource, but the flexibility of the FBC system  
19 enables energy to be purchased at times when non-thermal resources such  
20 as water and wind are the marginal resource.... FBC continues to believe  
21 that using the average of CO<sub>2</sub>e emission rate related to its market purchases  
22 is the most appropriate measure. (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 45.13)

23 **Q: Is this explanation borne out by the available data?**

24 A: No. The graph in FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 44.1 shows that some gas is operating in  
25 Washington on most days, and coal is operating in almost as many. Even when no coal  
26 or gas is operating in Washington, the coal units may be operating elsewhere in the  
27 Northwest (in Montana, Oregon, Idaho Power’s coal plants in Nevada and Wyoming).  
28 The Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NPCC) explains the nature of the  
29 marginal units as follows:



1            “In the Northwest, the average marginal CO<sub>2</sub> production is substantially  
2            higher than the average CO<sub>2</sub> production from all electricity generation. This  
3            is because hydroelectricity and wind, which have low operating costs and  
4            no CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are brought on-line before coal-fired or natural gas-fired  
5            generating units. Because only the marginal plants would be displaced by  
6            conservation, it would not be proper to use the average of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
7            from all power generation to estimate the CO<sub>2</sub> saved through  
8            conservation.” (“Marginal Carbon Dioxide Production Rates of the  
9            Northwest Power System,” Northwest Power and Conservation Council,  
10           June 13, 2008, p. 1)

11           Clearly, additional imports of energy by FBC that increases US energy  
12           generation will result in increased coal and/or gas operation in almost all hours.

13    **Q: Does FBC agree with this assessment?**

14    A: No. When asked if it agrees with NPCC, FBC responded as follows:

15           FBC agrees that the average marginal CO<sub>2</sub> production is likely to be higher  
16           than the average CO<sub>2</sub> production given the nature of the generation  
17           resources in the Pacific Northwest. However FBC does not fully agree with  
18           the explanation provided by NCCP because there are other factors in place  
19           that sets the marginal generation in any hour that FBC maybe purchasing  
20           market power. Indeed there are many hours of the year where coal and gas  
21           are generating because they are must-run facilities or contracted to provide  
22           baseload supply (i.e. are not dispatched in response to market), and there  
23           are many times during which there is significant surplus generation because  
24           of wind and run of river hydro conditions. Indeed it is often these times  
25           where FBC is able to take advantage of the market because the flexibility  
26           of its storage resources allow it to shape the timing of its market purchases.  
27           It is not reasonable to assume that FBC market purchases are all being  
28           made at times when the marginal generator is thermal. (FBC Exhibit B-21  
29           BCSEA 45.12)

30    **Q: Is this explanation consistent with the data?**

31    A: No. When the Northwest has surplus wind and hydro energy, so that the alternative to  
32    selling the energy to British Columbia is curtailing wind or spilling hydro, the spot  
33    market energy price would be zero or negative. From the data FBC has provided, it  
34    appears to purchase substantial amounts of energy at high-cost, high-load periods. The  
35    Northwest experiences those conditions primarily in the low-load hours in the spring,

1 during period of high runoff. Significant portions of FBC’s market purchases  
2 (including those from the US) occur in high-load hours and in the summer, fall and  
3 winter, when the Northwest is operating coal and gas plants to meet its load.<sup>22</sup> While  
4 “it is not reasonable to assume that FBC market purchases are all being made at times  
5 when the marginal generator is thermal,” it is reasonable to assume that fossil  
6 generation is on the margin in most hours.

7 In any case, FBC’s assertion that it can purchase some energy in hours with  
8 lower GHG emissions would argue for a different weighting of the marginal emissions  
9 rates over the year, not the use of average emissions.

10 **Q: Does FBC acknowledge that its DSM proposal is inconsistent with Provincial**  
11 **policy?**

12 A: No. When asked whether “increasing relatively carbon-intensive market imports and  
13 decreasing zero-carbon DSM savings the proposed 2014–2018 DSM Plan does not  
14 support the objective of reducing GHG emissions and would tend to increase rather  
15 than reduce GHG emissions”, FBC answered that

16 FBC considers that the combination of the proposed DSM plan and the  
17 RCR conservation rates results in an offset of more than 50 percent of load  
18 growth and is therefore overall tending to reduce GHG emissions. (FBC  
19 Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 39.1)

20 **Q: Is that a reasonable interpretation of the mandate to reduce GHG emissions?**

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<sup>22</sup> The assertion that any significant fossil output in the Northwest results from having “must-run” status strains credibility. The gas-fired simple-cycle and combined-cycle combustion turbines ramp up and down quickly, and would only be on must-run status during very specific conditions of transmission and generation outages. Coal units may occasionally be forced to operate at night because they cannot ramp up and down rapidly enough to shut down over night and serve load the next day, but these conditions appear to be rare in the Northwest. As for FBC’s assertion that fossil plants “are not dispatched in response to market” prices, such operation would be highly inefficient and uneconomic, and FBC offers no evidence that it occurs.

1 A: No. FortisBC's response attempts to pass off a reduction of the growth rate in GHG  
2 emissions as a decrease in emissions. The proper comparison is between the GHG  
3 emissions consequences of FBC's proposed 2014–2018 DSM plan and the GHG  
4 emissions consequences of a 2014–2018 DSM plan that included all cost-effective  
5 DSM. With FBC's proposed truncated DSM proposal, its load, its purchases of fossil-  
6 fueled energy, and its contribution to GHG emissions would rise over time.

7 **c) Self-sufficiency**

8 **Q: Does FBC accept some responsibility for meeting Provincial goals for self-**  
9 **sufficiency?**

10 A: Yes. FortisBC's 2012 Integrated System Plan says that "The BC Energy Plan sets forth  
11 several goals and objectives, including...Achieving self-sufficiency to meet electricity  
12 need by 2016" (p. 7) and that the "Clean Energy Act sets forth 'British Columbia's  
13 energy objectives,'" including "achieve electricity self-sufficiency." (p. 8)

14 **Q: Would FBC's proposal to reduce its DSM efforts and increase imports conflict**  
15 **with these policies?**

16 A: Yes. Section 6(4) of the Clean Energy Act states that "A public utility, in  
17 planning...for...energy purchases, must consider British Columbia's energy objective  
18 to achieve electricity self-sufficiency."

19 FortisBC claims that it can ignore this mandate, because "the "electricity self-  
20 sufficiency" concept can be applied to a public utility...in two specified circumstances:  
21 '(a) the construction or extension of generation facilities, and (b) energy purchase.'  
22 DSM programs and expenditures do not fall under either circumstance, and thus are  
23 not directly related to the objective of achieving 'electricity self-sufficiency'." (FBC  
24 Exhibit B-12 BCSEA 1.3)

25 **Q: Is FBC's argument reasonable?**

26 A: No. In planning to reduce its DSM efforts, FBC is committing itself to additional  
27 market purchases, at least until it commits to some other construction or purchase.

1 Hence, FBC is planning for energy purchases, and should not ignore British  
2 Columbia's objective to achieve electricity self-sufficiency.

3 **Q: Does FBC acknowledge that it will eventually need to deal with the Province's**  
4 **self-sufficiency goal?**

5 A: Yes. FortisBC says that "the 2016 Resource Plan will re-examine the best resource  
6 options for FBC to meet customer capacity and energy and stand alone energy needs at  
7 that time." (FBC Exhibit B-21 BCSEA 8.2)

8 **Q: Is that delay reasonable?**

9 A: No. The loss of DSM savings in 2014–2018 would reduce British Columbia's self-  
10 sufficiency and may require more expensive resources to catch up.

## 11 **V. Conclusions and Recommendations**

12 **Q: What are your main conclusions regarding the 2014-18 gas and electric DSM**  
13 **expenditure plans proposed by the two Fortis utilities serving British Columbia?**

14 A: The scale of energy savings proposed over the next five years by both plans falls short  
15 of both industry leaders elsewhere in North America. FBC's proposed electric savings  
16 fall further behind industry leaders than do FEU's planned gas savings. Proposed  
17 savings also fall short of their potential cost-effective contributions toward British  
18 Columbia's energy and environmental policy goals, which are among the continent's  
19 most ambitious.

20 With annual gas savings at 0.4% of sales, FEU's DSM plan is in the middle of  
21 the pack of industry performance, with industry leaders' savings being 1.0% or more  
22 annually. FBC's plan to cut DSM expenditures 60% from levels previously approved  
23 by the Commission and contained in its resource plan would probably land it in the  
24 bottom tier of DSM portfolios, based on our empirical analysis of industry experience  
25 and plans. Extending the previously approved FBC DSM plan savings at 0.85% of  
26 sales would keep FBC at half the savings performance of industry leaders, which are

1 achieving 2 percent annual savings or more. This would keep FBC within the second  
2 performance tier among its peers.

3 Despite successful execution of its previously approved DSM programs, FBC's  
4 proposed DSM expenditures represents a complete failure in demand-side resource  
5 planning. FBC has provided no valid evidentiary support for its proposal to gut its  
6 previously approved electric DSM portfolio. It did not analyze alternative scenarios  
7 for rebalancing programs and program components in its previous portfolio to improve  
8 cost-effectiveness under the allegedly lower avoided costs. Its stated reasons for not  
9 doing so are invalid and contrary to least-cost resource planning. FBC's forecasts of  
10 long-run marginal supply costs are systematically biased downward. Moreover, the 8  
11 percent real discount rate it used to analyze the cost-effectiveness of DSM  
12 expenditures is excessive, understating their present worth and further biasing FBC's  
13 findings.

14 Evidence we presented here demonstrates conclusively that it would be cost-  
15 effective to scale up both FEU and FBC DSM portfolio savings to match industry  
16 leaders at 1% and 2% respectively. These additional savings would also bring BC  
17 closer to meeting its environmental and sustainability goals.

18 Scale aside, the composition of the portfolios of DSM programs proposed by  
19 FEU and FBC is not as aligned with industry best practices as it can and should be.  
20 First and foremost, it is time for full integration of gas and electric DSM programs in  
21 key residential and nonresidential market segments in British Columbia including new  
22 construction and retrofit. Consolidating several FEU programs under more  
23 comprehensive umbrellas will also improve program and portfolio cost-effectiveness  
24 through broader participation and deeper savings per project, as detailed in Section III.

25 If there is a "poster child" for consolidating gas and electric efficiency programs  
26 in BC, it would be reviving LiveSmartBC as a scaled-up, whole-house residential  
27 retrofit program. Doing so would be indisputably cost-effective, given the favorable  
28 economics of the individual FEU programs that would be folded into it. Since the  
29 majority of benefits from whole-house retrofits come from natural gas savings, it is

1 logical for FBC to follow industry best practice and take the lead in implementing this  
2 and residential new construction programs. FBC and BC Hydro can piggyback cost-  
3 effective electric efficiency measures on these programs, and help defray fixed  
4 program costs in proportion to the electric benefits produced (e.g., efficient lighting,  
5 air-conditioning, appliance retrofits). Table 3 in Section II provides the framework  
6 under which individual FEU and FBC gas and electric DSM programs should be  
7 consolidated and integrated to align more closely with best industry practices in  
8 portfolio design and implementation.

9 **Q: What are your recommendations?**

10 A: We recommend that the BCUC approve FEU's 2014–18 DSM expenditure plan, with  
11 modifications as to scale and composition discussed earlier in this testimony. We  
12 further recommend that the Commission direct FEU to submit a revised schedule of  
13 expenditures and savings by program by year in compliance with the approval within  
14 180 days of its order in this proceeding.

15 As for FBC, we recommend rejection of the proposed electric DSM plan. At a  
16 minimum, we recommend that FBC continue operating under its previously approved  
17 DSM plan, i.e., its annual expenditures and savings. We further recommend that  
18 within 180 days FBC file a new 2014–18 plan containing expenditures and savings  
19 consistent with those developed in this testimony (and detailed in Exh. JPPC-5). The  
20 compliance plan should consist of programs that follow best industry practices in  
21 accord with the framework presented in Table 3, including full integration with FEU  
22 programs where indicated.

23 **Q: When FBC files a new electric DSM plan, correcting the errors you describe**  
24 **above, how should it develop avoided costs?**

25 A: In its corrected plan, FBC should screen DSM programs using avoided costs based on  
26 corrections to its short-run marginal costs in 2014–2016 and on long-run avoided costs  
27 from 2017 on. The corrections to the short-run marginal costs should include the  
28 following features:

- 1       •     Increasing the non-firm spot market price to reflect firm supply.
- 2       •     Weighting the spot energy prices to reflect the pattern of DSM savings over the
- 3             day, week and year.
- 4       •     Including the cost of congestion on the BPA system.
- 5       •     Including the full cost of wheeling.
- 6       •     Using a realistic currency exchange rate.
- 7       •     Including the costs of short-term capacity purchases, plus 5% for the required
- 8             contribution to the planning reserve margin.
- 9       •     Increasing the avoided T&D costs to the full value indicated by FBC's data, or
- 10            about \$233/kW-year.

11           We estimate that, with these corrections, the avoided cost in 2014–2020 would be  
12     about \$90–\$100/MWh, rough twice FBC's estimates for this period (combining the  
13     LRMC reported in the Application with the \$35/kW-year reported in FBC discovery  
14     responses). The long-term marginal cost should be based on the costs of building or  
15     purchasing renewable resources in British Columbia, plus the avoided T&D costs. The  
16     BC Hydro 2013 IRP (Figure 5.9) indicates that incremental BC renewables will cost on  
17     the order of \$120/MWh, plus any required transmission upgrades. With the local T&D  
18     costs the total avoided cost would be about \$165/MWh, about three times FBC's  
19     estimate of avoided costs. Assuming that the marginal source of energy supply is  
20     entirely spot market purchases through 2019, and entirely new renewables from 2020  
21     onward, with no incremental generation capacity cost before 2020, the levelized  
22     LRMC over 2014–2043 would be about \$140/MWh, compared to FBC's estimate of  
23     about \$50/MWh.

24   **Q:   Does this complete your direct testimony?**

25   **A:   Yes, it does.**

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Trained as an economist, John Plunkett has worked for over 30 years in energy utility planning, concentrating on energy efficiency and renewables investments as resource and business strategies for energy service providers. He has played key advisory and negotiating roles on all aspects of electric and gas utility demand-side management (DSM), including residential, industrial and commercial program design, implementation, oversight, performance incentives, and monitoring and evaluation, and its role in business, regulatory, ratemaking, resource planning and policy decisions. He has led, prepared or contributed to numerous analyses and reports on the economically achievable potential for efficiency and renewable resources, and led the development of spreadsheet-based tools to quantify the economic and financial value of green energy investment to regulators, portfolio administrators, and individual end users.

Plunkett has worked throughout North America and in three Chinese provinces. He has testified as an expert witness before regulators in Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and Vermont, as well as in the Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Ontario, and Quebec.

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

### **2005-present**

*Partner and co-founder, **Green Energy Economics Group, Inc.**, Bristol, VT*  
Consultancy specializing in valuing and planning electricity and natural gas utility energy-efficiency resource portfolio investments. Technical and strategic assistance with program development, design, economic and financial analysis, budgeting and planning, administration, implementation management, performance oversight, verification and evaluation; design of performance incentive and pricing mechanisms; regulatory and ratemaking treatment of DSM expenditures. Recent work applying empirical research and analysis of longitudinal data on DSM program administrators spending and savings for benchmarking future efficiency portfolio budget planning.

### **1996 – 2005**

*Partner and co-founder, **Optimal Energy, Inc.**, Bristol, VT.*  
Lead consultant for Natural Resources Defense Council on demand-side management portfolio design and economic analysis in two Chinese provinces. Lead witness on testimony recommending revamped performance incentive for Connecticut efficiency program administrators. Led statewide resource potential study for New York and efficiency potential study for Vermont. Economic advisor on efficiency portfolios administered by the Long Island Power Authority, to non-utility parties in Massachusetts and New Jersey DSM collaboratives, and for Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships on regional market transformation initiatives.



**1990 – 1996**

*Senior Vice President, **Resource Insight, Inc.**, Middlebury, VT.*

Provided analysis of DSM resource planning/acquisition and integrated resource planning in numerous states. Investigated regulatory and planning reforms needed to integrate demand-side resources with least-cost planning requirements by public utility commissions. Prepared, delivered and/or supported testimony on wide variety of IRP, DSM, economic, cost recovery and other issues before regulatory agencies throughout North America. Consulted and provided technical assistance regarding utility filings. Responsible for presentations and training seminars on DSM planning and evaluation.

**1984 – 1990**

*Senior Economist, **Komanoff Energy Associates**, New York, NY.*

Directed consulting services on integrated utility resource planning. Testified on utility resource alternatives, including energy-efficiency investments and independent power. Examined costs and benefits of resource options in over twenty-five proceedings. Supported major investigation into utility DSM investment and integrated resource planning. Designed and co-wrote microcomputer software for evaluating the financial prospects of customer-owned power generation. Wrote and spoke widely on integrated planning issues. Contributed to least-cost planning handbooks prepared by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and by the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates.

**1978 – 1984**

*Staff Economist, **Institute for Local Self-Reliance**, Washington, D.C.*

Project development and management for a non-profit consulting firm specializing in energy and urban economic development. Project manager and economist for an investigation into the economic impact on small generators from electric utilities' grid-interconnection requirements. Coordinated research by three electrical engineers, and analyzed the impact of interconnection costs on wind, hydroelectric and cogeneration projects in seven utility service areas in New York. Provided technical coordination in cases before the District of Columbia Public Service Commission involving gas and electric utility demand management investment, non-utility generation pricing, both for the D.C. Office of People's Counsel.

**1977-78**

*Energy Project Director, **D.C. Public Interest Research Group**, Washington, D.C. Led energy research and advocacy on campuses of Georgetown and George Washington Universities.*

**EDUCATION**

B.A., Economics, with Distinction, *Phi Beta Kappa*, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA, 1983. Awarded departmental Adams Prize in Economics for econometric analysis of nuclear plant capital costs.

(Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Washington, DC, 1975-1977.)

**PROJECT EXPERIENCE****ONGOING AND PAST ASSIGNMENTS (GEEG) -- 2006-PRESENT****Vermont**

Senior Policy Advisor to Efficiency Vermont, the world's first Energy Efficiency Utility created to deliver statewide energy-efficiency programs for the customers of Vermont's electric utilities. Responsibilities involved economic, policy, and evaluation research, analysis and advice. Senior management team member from 2000 through 2007; led program development and planning, 2000-2002. Contract negotiation team member advising on performance goals and incentive mechanism for four successive contracts, 2000-11. Testified in support of 12-year order of appointment granted by the PSB December 2010. Lead author and technical director of 20-year forecasts in 2009 and 2011 of electricity savings under alternative investment scenarios used by the PSB to establish long-range portfolio savings and investment goals. Technical support on efficiency resource planning, 2012-present.

Program design and regulatory support for Green Mountain Power on 5-year investment of \$9 million Energy Efficiency Fund. 2007 – 2010. Rebuttal testimony on achievable value from increasing energy-efficiency investment in utility service area, on behalf of Green Mountain Power in two merger applications in Dockets 7213 and 7770. December 2006-January 2007; January-April 2012. Technical assistance and regulatory support for assessing and selecting competitive proposals for energy-saving investments under Community Energy Efficiency Development Fund, November 2012 – March 2013. Empirical forecasting of geographically targeted efficiency retrofit costs for non-transmission alternatives study group, 2012-March 2013.

**Pennsylvania**

DSM program design, implementation planning, and regulatory support, for Philadelphia Gas Works. August 2008 – present. Testimony before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in Docket R-2009-2139884, December 2009 and April 2010.

Analysis and report on costs and benefits of meeting all statewide load growth with energy-efficiency investment, for Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future (Pennfuture). September 2007.

Direct and surrebuttal testimony for Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future (Pennfuture) on appropriate levels of efficiency portfolio investment in a gas merger case and in two rate cases before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission: Docket Nos. A-2013-2353647, et al re Equitable and Peoples Gas; 00061366 and 00061367 re Metropolitan Edison Company and Pennsylvania Electric Company; and Docket No. R-00061346 re Duquesne Light Company. July and September 2013; May - August 2006.

### **Wisconsin**

DSM cost-effectiveness calculator development and application assistance for Shaw Engineering and Infrastructure, administrator for Wisconsin's Focus On Energy gas and electric energy efficiency investment portfolio. June 2011 – present.

### **Louisiana**

Empirical costs projections and cost-effectiveness analysis of alternative energy-efficiency resource acquisition scenarios for Entergy New Orleans, prepared for the Alliance for Affordable Energy and submitted as comments to the City Council. April-May 2013.

### **Texas**

Cost analysis, comments, and presentation on proposed Public Utility Commission rules for utilities pursuing statutory DSM savings goals, on behalf of the Sierra Club. May-June 2012.

Analysis of and report on achievable savings and costs for Austin City Council consumer advocate, "Energy Efficiency Resource Acquisition Options for Austin Energy." April 2012.

### **Illinois**

Cost-effectiveness calculator development, oversight of cost/benefit analysis, and regulatory support for 3-year energy-efficiency portfolio for Peoples Gas. September 2008 – June 2012.

Rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony opposing disallowances recommended by ICC Staff for Peoples Gas. April – September 2010; December 2011.

### **Maryland**

Comments, report, and recommendations on Maryland electric utilities' 2012-14 DSM plans, submitted to the Public Service Commission, Case Nos. 9153-57, on behalf of the Sierra Club, et al. October 2011.

### **Oklahoma**

Technical support and comments on rulemaking for energy efficiency resource standards; ongoing; Analysis, technical assistance and expert testimony on potential for energy-efficiency investment to substitute for fossil generation in proceedings before the Oklahoma Commerce Commission on behalf of the Sierra Club, May - December 2011.

### **New York**

Advisor on energy-efficiency portfolio design and implementation, for the Economic Development Corporation of the City of New York, in three proceedings before the New York Public Service Commission. One is the PSC's investigation into an energy-efficiency portfolio standard for meeting statewide energy savings goals of 15% by 2015. The second is a

collaborative effort with Consolidated Edison's gas division to design a portfolio of gas efficiency programs. The third is evaluation and future redesign of Con Ed Electric's \$125 million network-targeted demand-side program. July 2007-December 2008.

**Connecticut**

Testimony regarding long-range energy-efficiency procurement plan of the Energy Conservation Management Board, on behalf of the Connecticut Office of Consumer Counsel. Fall 2008.

**Florida**

Direct testimony on the effect of economically achievable energy efficiency on the need for new coal-fired generation, on behalf of the Sierra Club and other environmental intervenors, Florida Public Service Commission Docket No. 070098-EI. March-April 2007.

**U.S.**

Economic analysis and consulting support on regulatory policy regarding energy efficiency resource acquisition, for the Regulatory Assistance Project. 2011-present.

**British Columbia, Canada**

Testimony on adequacy of BC Hydro's 2012-14 DSM Plan, submitted to the British Columbia Utilities Commission, BCUC Project No. 3698592, on behalf of the BC Sustainable Energy Association and Sierra Club (BC Chapter). August 2011 – May 2012.

Direct testimony on reasonableness of gas DSM Plan by Fortis Energy Utilities before the British Columbia Utilities Commission, BCUC Project No. 3698627, on behalf of the BC Sustainable Energy Association and Sierra Club (BC Chapter), May – November 2011.

Direct testimony and technical support on assessment of FortisBC Electric's long-term DSM plan, before the BCUC, on behalf of BCSEA/SCBC, August 2011 – March 2012.

Direct testimony and technical support on assessment of BC Hydro's long-term DSM plan, before the BCUC, on behalf of BCSEA/SCBC, November 2008 – March 2009; October 2011 - present.

Direct testimony on assessment of Terasen Gas conservation plans before the BCUC, on behalf of BCSEA/SCBC. October 2008.

Direct testimony on energy-efficiency investment spending and savings, British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, 2006 Integrated Electricity Plan and Long Term Acquisition Plan, Project No. 3698419; and F2007/F2008 Revenue Requirements Application, Project No. 3698416, on behalf of BCSEA/SCBC et al. September 2006 – January 2007.

**People's Republic of China***Central Government*

Technical and policy advice and material preparation for regulators on clean energy investment on behalf of the Regulator Assistance Project's Global Power Sector Best Practices Project. June 2011 – present. Drafted sections of a "blueprint" for Chinese regulators on oversight of grid company administration of DSM programs, including cost-effectiveness analysis, reporting, and monitoring, verification and evaluation. May-July 2012.

Consulting team member on a project developing a national DSM implementation manual for China, sponsored by the National Development and Reform Commission, led by the Natural Resources Defense Council, in cooperation with California's investor-owned utilities, and funded by the international Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Programme (REEEP). Wrote chapters concerning performance indicators and cost-effectiveness analysis. 2007-Spring 2008. Manual approved by NDRC May 2009 and issued May 2010.

*Guangdong Province*

Consultant for the Institute for Sustainable Communities to assist Chinese experts with technical, economic, and financial assessments of industrial retrofit projects. Economic and financial assessment of efficiency retrofits to a ceramics manufacturing plant. 2007-2008. Training and technical assistance to Chinese trainers on economic and financial assessment of energy-efficiency and renewable investment projects in Guangdong and Jiangsu provinces. 2009-2010.

Team leader for Chinese and international consultants on a pre-feasibility analysis for the Asian Development Bank of a 24-year loan to support a \$120 million demonstration Efficiency Power Plant (EPP) project in Guangdong province, focusing on industrial, commercial and institutional retrofits. June 2006 – 2007. ADB Board of Directors unanimously approved the loan and its first tranche of projects in June 2008.

*Jiangsu Province*

Consulting team leader on development, assessment, and implementation of demand-side management investment portfolios for China, for the Natural Resources Defense Council (July 2003 – 2007). Responsible for program implementation planning and support (2005-2007). Led modification and application of US-based program and portfolio economic analysis tool for DSM planning. Assisted Jiangsu Province with design and planning for first-stage implementation of Efficiency Power Plant (EPP) programs investing \$12 million annually on high-efficiency retrofits to industrial motors and drives and commercial lighting and cooling. Directed economic and financial analysis of industrial retrofits for several manufacturers to determine financial incentives offered by the program. October 2005 – 2007. Training and technical support on economic and financial analysis of industrial retrofit projects for structuring and negotiating financial incentive offers to customers (2007-2008).

**PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS (OPTIMAL ENERGY) -- 1996-2005**

- Policy and economic advisor for Massachusetts energy efficiency collaboratives, focusing on regulatory, cost-effectiveness, shareholder incentives and other policy issues and strategies, on behalf of Massachusetts Collaborative Non-Utility Parties. (January 1999 – 2005)
- Co-author (with Optimal Energy and Vermont Energy Investment Corporation), Comments on Efficiency Maine's 2006-2008 Program Plan, on behalf of Maine's Office of Public Advocate. September 2005.
- Team leader providing technical assistance supporting rulemaking to implement energy-efficiency provision of renewable portfolio standard for Pennsylvania, on behalf of Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future (PennFuture). Lead consultant on development of protocols for measuring savings from energy-efficiency investments as tradable credits toward the electricity resource portfolio standard. Protocols adopted by the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission. 2005. (February – September 2005)
- Leader of analysis of economically achievable potential for energy-efficiency resources to offset loss of output in the event of early retirement of the Indian Point nuclear generation station, on behalf of the National Academy of Sciences. May-October 2005.
- Co-author (with Paul Chernick) of testimony assessing planned energy-efficiency investments by British Columbia Hydro, on behalf of the British Columbia Sustainable Energy Association and British Columbia Sierra Club, August 2005.
- Written testimony recommending energy-efficiency portfolio investment levels and savings goals in utility merger application before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Joint Application of PECO Energy Company and Public Service Electric and Gas Company for Approval of the Merger of Public Service Enterprise Group with and into Exelon Corporation, on behalf of the Pennfuture Parties, June 28, 2005.
- Co-author of and expert witness supporting "Getting Results: Review of Hydro Quebec's Proposed 2005-2010 Energy Efficiency Plan," before the Quebec Energy Board, on behalf of a coalition of business, municipal, and environmental groups (January-March 2005)
- Testimony (with Ashok Gupta) before the New York Public Service Commission supporting joint settlement proposal for 300 MW of additional efficiency investment in Con Edison territory, on behalf of the Natural Resources Defense Council, Pace Energy Project, and the Association for Energy Affordability (December 2004 – January 2005).
- Report and testimony on performance incentives for administrators of conservation and load management programs in Connecticut, on behalf of Connecticut Office of Consumer Counsel. (February 2003 – August 2004). DPUC adopted recommended performance incentive mechanism for 2006 program year.

- Project leader, including report and testimony, for consulting team projecting potential for demand-side resources to defer the need for the Northwest Reliability Project, a major transmission upgrade, on behalf of Vermont Electric Power Company. (November 2001 – December 2004)
- Report and testimony on Opportunities for Accelerated Electrical Energy Efficiency in Québec 2005 – 2012, on behalf of Regroupement National des Conseils Régionaux de L'environnement du Québec, Regroupement des Organismes Environnementaux en Energie and Regroupement pour la Responsabilité Sociale des Entreprises. (March – June 2004)
- Project leader for consulting team assessing technical, achievable and economic potential for energy-efficiency and renewable resources in New York State and five sub regions over 5, 10 and 20 years, on behalf of New York State Research and Development Authority. (January 2002 – August 2003)
- Project leader for consulting team updating statewide projection of economically achievable efficiency potential for state of Vermont, on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service. (October 2001 – 2003)
- "A Conservation Contingency Plan for Indian Point: Using California's Success Beating Blackouts to Replace Nuclear Generation Serving Greater New York," prepared for the Natural Resources Defense Council, October 2003.
- "The Achievable Potential for Electric Efficiency Savings in Maine." Projected and compared 10-year C&I costs, savings and benefits (based on technical potential analysis prepared by Exeter Associates). Expert testimony on behalf of the Office of Public Advocate, before the Maine PUC. (October 2002)
- Project leader for consulting team supporting utilities in targeting demand-side resources to optimize distribution investment planning in statewide distributed utility planning collaborative, on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service. (September 2001 – December 2002) Led development of DSM scoping tool, an MS Excel spreadsheet for preliminary analysis of the economically achievable potential for energy-efficiency to defer or displace planned distribution investments.
- Advisor on economic analysis for program planning and implementation of multi-year statewide energy-efficiency programs in the New Jersey Clean Energy Collaborative involving all the state's electric and gas utilities and the Natural Resources Defense Council. (April 2000 – June 2003, on behalf of NRDC). Co-directed collaborative work on program development, planning, and implementation for Conectiv. (November 1996 – 2000)
- Analysis and testimony before the Connecticut Siting Council on integrating potential demand reductions from targeted demand-side resources into need assessment for transmission upgrades, on behalf of the Connecticut Office of Consumer Counsel. Docket No. 217. (February 2002 – February 2003)

- Advice and negotiation on policy and scope of utility activities regarding targeted DSM to optimize distribution investment planning, involving Consolidated Edison, PECO Energy, and Orange and Rockland Utilities, on behalf of the Natural Resources Defense Council (Con Ed and PECO) and Pace Energy Project (O&R). (1999 – 2000)
- "Examining the Potential for Energy Efficiency in Michigan: Help for the Economy and the Environment," for American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE). Analysis and report projecting costs and benefits of aggressive energy-efficiency investment. (January 2003)
- Led consulting team in the preparation of detailed recommendations for implementing strategic plan for acquiring clean power resources for the Jacksonville Electric Authority. (May – September 2001)
- Consultant to Citizens Utilities Corporation, supporting planning and management of investments pursuing maximum achievable levels of optimally cost-effective energy-efficiency in its Vermont Electric Division. (1997 – 2001)
- Consultant to PEPCo Energy Services on building energy-efficiency into retail service offerings. (2000 – 2001)
- Consultant to California Board for Energy-Efficiency, the agency responsible for administering wires-charge funded statewide energy-efficiency programs. Technical service consultant on nonresidential program design. (1997 – 1999)
- Lead consultant on energy product development for consumer energy cooperative, on behalf of Vermont Energy Futures, a non-profit organization spearheading development of a consumer-owned energy cooperative that will bundle electricity with energy-efficiency, renewables, and fossil fuels for residential, low-income, and small non-residential customers. One of key team members who prepared grant application to federal Health and Human Services Department for \$800,000 grant supporting development of the co-op. (1997 – 2000)
- Led feasibility analysis and prepared preliminary business plan for bundling electricity, fuel, efficiency services, and green power initially targeting low-income and environmentally-conscious consumers, on behalf of the Energy Coordinating Agency and Conservation Consultants, Inc. (July – December 1997). Consultant on energy and business strategy and planning for Energy Cooperative Association of Pennsylvania, a buyers' cooperative offering electricity, fuel oil, energy-efficiency, and renewable energy to residential and non-profit consumers in eastern and western Pennsylvania. (1998 – July 1999)
- Lead consultant on energy efficiency program design and planning for Maryland Office of People's Counsel and Maryland Energy Administration. Led research, analysis, and program descriptions and budgets for use in restructuring workshops and legislative development on efficiency and renewable programs supported by system benefits charge. (1998)



- Lead consultant for the Vermont Department of Public Service regarding energy-efficiency investment during and after the transition to electricity restructuring. Lead author of *The Power to Save: A Plan to Transform Vermont's Efficiency Markets*, the DPS filing which called for development of centrally delivered statewide core programs by an efficiency utility. Provided written and oral testimony, on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service in Docket 5980. (1997 – 1999)
- Technical support to the Burlington (VT) Electric Department in developing energy efficiency programs and policies as part of their resource and business planning. (November 1996 – May 1997)
- Consultant to Vermont Senate Natural Resources and Finance Committees on efficiency and renewable policies in restructuring legislation passed by the Senate but not adopted by the House. Provided technical assistance to support drafting and passage of utility restructuring legislation (S.62). (1997)
- Support to the Vermont Department of Public Service in assessing the performance and expenditures of Green Mountain Power's commercial and industrial DSM programs. Also provided support to the DPS in the evaluation of GMP's actions surrounding the Vermont Joint Owners contract with Hydro Quebec including prudence. (1997).
- Direct testimony and cross-examination relating to the future of DSM under the proposed BG&E/PEPCo utility merger. Case No. 8725 In the matter of Application of BGE, PEPCo & Constellation Energy Corporation for Merger. (1996)
- Written report to the Ontario Energy Board assessing the 1997 DSM Plan filed by Union and Centra Gas LTD in light of prior OEB decisions, as well as specific program plans for residential and non-residential customers. The report also addressed potential changes in gas DSM regulation, cost recovery, and incentives. [*Assessment of the Centra/Union Gas Fiscal 1997 DSM Plan*, Plunkett, Hamilton, and Mosenthal, August 30, 1996.] Testimony before the OEB concerning the report's findings and recommendations. Union/Centra Rate Case, EBRO 493/494. Also prepared a report and testified on Union Gas's DSM program design in EBRO 496/94/95. (July 1996 – November 1996)

#### **PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS (RESOURCE INSIGHT) – 1990-1996**

- Consultant on energy-efficiency program design, planning, and policy issues for Maryland utilities including Potomac Electric, Baltimore Gas and Electric, Potomac Edison, Delmarva Power and Light, Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Washington Gas, on behalf of Maryland Office of People's Counsel. Coordinator and lead negotiator on DSM collaboratives for Washington Gas, Potomac Electric, Baltimore Gas and Electric, Delmarva Power and Light and Potomac Electric. Projects have included resource planning and allocation, program design, policy, cost recovery, mechanism design, and monitoring and evaluation planning. (1989 – 1997)
- Prepared testimony and supported settlement negotiations concerning the DSM Plan of Jersey Central Power and Light on behalf of the Mid Atlantic Energy Project and New Jersey

Public Interest Research Group. Analyzed DSM policy and commercial and industrial programs. Docket No. EE9580349 In the matter of Consideration and Determination of Jersey Central Power and Light Company's Demand Side Management Resource Plan filed pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:12. (1995)

- Support to the Iowa Office of Consumer Advocate with the review and analysis of MidAmerican's, Interstate Power's and Iowa Electric Services' existing energy efficiency plans. Developed proposals for changes to and modifications of the utilities commercial and industrial energy efficiency programs. (1995 – 1996)
- Testimony and technical support for the Iowa Office of Consumer Advocate in settlement negotiations re IES Utilities C/I DSM programs. Docket No. EEP-95-1. (February 1996)
- Technical support to Florida Power Corporation on development of alternative DSM programs for commercial and industrial customers. (1995 – 1997)
- Supported development of testimony and negotiations regarding DSM program alternatives for Carolina Power & Light, on behalf of the Southern Environmental Law Center. Docket No. 92-209-E. (1995 – 1996)
- Reviewed and commented on Consumer Gas' C/I DSM programs on behalf of the Green Energy Coalition. (1995)
- Support to the Vermont Department of Public Service in negotiation settlement with Green Mountain Power regarding DSM program design and planning, focusing on target retrofits in load centers under T&D capacity constraints, and increased participation and comprehensiveness of lost-opportunity programs. (1995)
- Consulting services and expert testimony on behalf of the Green Energy Coalition concerning Ontario Hydro's DSM plans and acquisition of lost-opportunity resources. Before Ontario Energy Board H.R. 22. re: Ontario Hydro 1995 Rates and Spending. (1994) and re: Ontario Hydro's Bulk Power Rates for 1993. Ontario Energy Board HR-21. (1992)
- Reviewed Tennessee Valley Authority programs and environmental planning for the Tennessee Valley Energy Reform Coalition. (November 1994 – July 1995)
- Prepared and defended direct testimony on gas and electric Demand-Side Management/Integrated Resource Planning guidelines before the North Carolina Public Utilities Commission. Docket No. E-100, SUB 64A in the matter of Request by Duke Power Company for Approval of a Food Service Program, Docket E-100, SUB 71 In the matter of Investigation of the Effect of Electric IRP and DSM Programs on the Competition Between Electric Utilities and Natural Gas Utilities. (1994)
- Prepared and defended expert testimony and led analyses of demand-side management and fuel switching opportunities in Central Vermont Public Service territory, on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service. Project involved detailed analysis of measure costs,

savings, and cost-effectiveness. Vermont Public Service Board, Docket 5270-CVPS-1&3. (1994)

- Prepared and defended expert testimony for the Vermont Department of Public Service on prudence of demand-side management in CVPS rate case. Vermont Public Service Board, Docket 5724. (May – August 1994)
- Directed and supported the preparation of joint testimony for Enersave, an efficiency service provider. Before the New York Public Service Commission, Case No. 94-E-0334. (September 1994)
- Joint testimony with Jonathan Wallach for the New York Public Utility intervenors reviewing 1994 LILCo DSM Plan. Before the New York Public Service Commission. P.S.C. Case No. 93-5-1123. (May 1994)
- Contributed to the critique of PECO Demand-Side Management Plan for the Nonprofits Energy Savings Investment Program. (February 1994)
- Provided direct testimony in a proceeding to investigate restrictions on DSM that could give one utility (gas or electric) an unfair competitive advantage over another (electric or gas, respectively). Before the Louisiana Public Service Commission Docket No. U-20178 Re: Louisiana Power & Light Company Least Cost Resource Plan. (1994)
- Provided expert testimony in support of PEPCo's DSM implementation. Before the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia. Case No. 929. (1993)
- Prepared written testimony for the Maryland Office of People's Counsel analyzing potential for demand-side resources to offset need for power for proposed coal-fired plant. Delmarva Power & Light Company Dorchester Power Plant Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Maryland PSC Case No. 8489. (January 1993)
- Coordinated testimony assessing the planning process, screening analyses, and cost-recovery proposals of the Detroit Edison Company for its demand-side management programs. Estimated potential levels of savings; identified improvements to the utility's proposed cost-recovery, lost-revenue, and incentive mechanisms; and recommended regulatory signals consistent with least-cost planning. Provided economic and regulatory advice, consulting services, and oversaw preparation of testimony. Michigan PSC Case No. U-10102. (1992)
- Economic and regulatory advice, consulting services, and supervision of testimony preparation. Provided technical services encompassing demand-side management program monitoring and evaluation, cost recovery, and review of second efficiency plans. Before the Iowa Utilities Board, Iowa Power and Light Docket No. EEP-91-3 and Interstate Power Company Docket No. EEP-91-5. (1992)
- Consulting on policy and resource-allocation issues on behalf of the Vermont Department of Public Service as part of DSM-program-design collaboratives with Vermont Gas. (1990 –

1991), Citizens Utilities (1990 – 1991), Central Vermont Public Service Corporation (1990) and Green Mountain Power. (1990)

- Comprehensive assessment of Ontario Hydro's 25-year resource plan. Directed work by over a dozen consultants. The study encompassed load forecasting; assessing DM potential and costs; resolving DM-implementation, resource-integration, and institutional issues; assessing all resource costs, including externalities; assessing costs of all supply resources, including non-utility generators; and estimating avoided costs. (1990 – 1992)
- Support to the Pennsylvania Energy Office in its evaluation of Pennsylvania electric utility demand-management plans by preparing testimony and co-authoring a comprehensive, five-volume study of all aspects of demand management. This document surveys issues related to integration of demand-management resources into utility planning, and reconciling least-cost planning objectives with rate-impact constraints; discusses strategies for utility intervention to remove market barriers to energy conservation; evaluates cost-recovery mechanisms for demand-management expenditures by utilities; explores issues related to the screening demand-management measures and programs; and examines direct costs, risk, and externalities avoidable through demand management. (1991 – 1993)
- Provided analysis of 1991 - 1992 New York electric utility DSM plans, and support for the analysis of 1993 - 1994 DSM Plans on behalf of Pace University Center for Environmental and Legal Studies, and Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C., Counsel for the Class of LILCo Ratepayers in County of Suffolk *et al.* v. LILCo *et al.* Proceeding to Inquire into the Benefits to Ratepayers and Utilities from Implementation of Conservation Programs that will reduce Electric Use, New York Public Service Commission Case No. 28223. (1990, 1992, 1994)
- Reviewed Demand Side Management regulations and DSM compliance filings of four New Jersey utilities on behalf of the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel. Demand Side Management Resource Plan of Jersey Central Power & Light Company. Docket No. EE-92020103. (1992)
- Identified energy-efficiency resources missing from FPL's resource plan that could provide economical substitutes for proposed power supply option. Expert testimony also addressed environmental costs avoided by DSM. Florida PSC Docket No. 920520-EG, In Re: Joint Petition of Florida Power and Light and Cypress Energy Partners, Limited Partnership for Determination of Need. (1992)
- Technical assistance and expert testimony for the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, In the matter of the Petition of Indianapolis Power & Light Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Construction by it of Facilities for the Generation of Electricity and Submission and Request for Approval of Plan to meet future needs for Electricity. Cause No. 39236. (August 1991 – May 1992)
- Technical assistance and expert testimony for the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor. In the matter of the Petition of PSI Energy, Inc. Filed Pursuant to the Public Service Commission Act, as Amended, and I.C. 8-1-8.52 for the Issuance of Certificates of

Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct Generating Facilities for the Furnishing of Electric Utility Service to the Public and for the Approval of Expenditures for such Facilities. Cause No. 39175. (June 1991 – February 1992)

- Testimony and surrebuttal for the Delaware PSC Staff. Before the Delaware Public Service Commission Staff, In the Matter of the Application of Delmarva Power & Light Company for Approval of 48 MW Power Purchase Agreement with Star Enterprise, PSC Docket No. 90-16. (January 1991)
- Prepared comments on IRP principles and objectives for the Southern Environmental Law Center. Commonwealth of Virginia State Corporation Commission Order Establishing Commission Investigation to Consider Rules and Policy Regarding Conservation and Load Management Programs, Case No. PUE900070. (1991)

### **PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS (KOMANOFF ENERGY ASSOCIATES) – 1984-1990**

- Advisor to the Vermont Public Service Board. Assisted with formulating issues, conducting hearings, deciding policy, and drafting opinions and orders on DSM planning programs, and ratemaking. Advised the Board's hearing officer on numerous decisions concerning policy and process, including cost-benefit analysis, design and coverage of utility energy-efficiency programs and integrated planning requirements. Investigation into Least-Cost Investments, Energy Efficiency, Conservation, and Management of Demand for Energy, Docket No. 5270. (1988 – 1990)
- Technical advisor to the Public Utility Law Project of New York. Recommended economic principles for planning utility DSM investment for low-income customers in New York. Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Determine Whether the Major Gas and Combination Gas and Electric Utilities Subject to the Commission's Jurisdiction Should Establish and Implement a Low-Income Energy Efficiency Program, Case 89-M-124. (1990).
- Technical assistance and advice on behalf of the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs on all aspects of Integrated Resource Planning and DSM planning including cost-effectiveness tests for South Carolina PSC investigation into Electric Utility Least-Cost Planning, Docket No. 87-223-E. (1987 – 1992)
- Prepared and defended expert testimony for the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor on potential for DSM to defer need for new generating capacity. Petition of Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. for Approval of Construction and Cost of Additional Electric Generation and for Issuance of a Certificate of Need Therefore, Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, Cause No. 38738. (September 1989)
- Prepared and defended expert testimony for the Illinois Citizens Utility Board on adequacy of Commonwealth Edison's DSM efforts. Rulemaking Implementing Section 8-402 of the Public Utilities Act, Least-Cost Planning, Illinois ICC Docket No. 89-0034. (July 1989)
- Supported the Vermont Public Service Board with analysis, findings, and conclusions regarding the need for power based on potential DSM resources. Application of Twenty-Four

Electric Utilities for a Certificate of Public Good Authorizing Execution and Performance of a Firm Power and Energy Contract with Hydro-Quebec and a Hydro-Quebec Participation Agreement, Docket No. 5330. (1989 – 1990)

- Cost-benefit analysis for the City of Chicago examining alternatives to the renewal of Commonwealth Edison's franchise. (1989)
- Co-author (with J. Wallach) of *The Power Analyst*, integrated spreadsheet-based software for projecting the economic and financial performance of renewable and cogeneration projects, for the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. Project manager, economic analysis. (1989)
- Advisor for the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs. Assessed costs and benefits of long-term power contract. In the Matter of Duke Power Company, Federal Energy Commission, Docket No. ER89-106-000. (January 1989 – March 1990)
- Analyzed and provided expert testimony on the economic potential for cost-effective DSM to substitute for capacity and energy from a combined cycle generating plant. Application of Potomac Electric Power Company for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Station H, Maryland PSC Docket No. 8063 Phase II. (1988)
- Examined, compared, and recommended appropriate cost-effectiveness tests for the DSM portion of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities investigation into the Pricing and Ratemaking Treatment to Be Afforded New Electric Generating Facilities Which Are Not Qualifying Facilities. Docket No. 86-36. (1988)
- Testimony for the District of Columbia Office of People's Counsel on electric and gas utility least-cost planning. Application of the Potomac Electric Power Company for Changes to Electric Rate Schedules, D.C. PSC Formal Case 834 Phase II. (April and June 1987)
- Cross-examination for the Connecticut Division of Consumer Counsel to defend KEA's financial assessment of CL&P's ability to withstand Millstone 3 disallowance. Investigation into Excess Generating Capacity of Connecticut Light & Power Company, Connecticut DPUC Docket No. 85-09-12. (April 1986)
- Cross examination for the Connecticut Division of Consumer Counsel to defend financial and statistical model supporting KEA's findings of CL&P construction imprudence. Retrospective Audit of the Prudence of the Construction of Millstone 3, Connecticut DPUC Docket 83-07-03. (March 1986)
- Cross-examination for the Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate, defended quantification of imprudence findings by O'Brien/Kreitzberg & Associates regarding PECO's construction management of the Limerick 1 project. Pennsylvania PUC v. Philadelphia Electric Company Docket R-850152. (February 1986)
- Prepared and defended direct and surrebuttal testimony for the Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate critiquing utility conservation and cogeneration assumptions and

presented alternative 20-year electricity sales projection. Pennsylvania PUC Limerick 2 Investigation Docket I-840381. (April 1985)

### **PRIOR ASSIGNMENTS (INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL SELF-RELIANCE) – 1978-1983**

- Technical and economic analysis of small-generator grid interconnection of seven New York electric utilities for the New York Energy Research and Development Authority. Project manager, economic analysis. (1983)
- Written testimony on behalf of the Alaska Public Interest Research Group implementing PURPA 210. Before the Alaska PUC. (1981)
- Written and oral testimony in oversight hearings on state implementation of the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA). U.S House of Representatives Subcommittee on Energy Conservation and Power. (1981)
- Written and oral testimony in rulemaking for the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA) on behalf of ILSR, before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. (1979)

**PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

"An Empirical Model for Predicting Electric Energy Efficiency Resource Acquisition Costs in North America: Analysis and Application", with T. Love and F. Wyatt. 2012 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2012.

"Expanding Energy Efficiency for BC Hydro: Lessons from Industry Leaders," Webinar presentation for BC Sustainable Energy Association, June 19, 2012.

"'Walking the Walk' of Distributed Utility Planning: Deploying Demand-Side Transmission and Distribution Resources in Vermont, Part Deux" with Bruce Bentley 2008 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2008.

"Demand-Side Management Strategic Plan for Jiangsu Province, China: Economic, Electric and Environmental Returns from an End-Use Efficiency Investment Portfolio in the Jiangsu Power Sector," with Barbara Finamore and Francis Wyatt, 2006 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2006.

"'Walking the Walk' of Distributed Utility Planning: Deploying Demand-Side Transmission and Distribution Resources in Vermont's 'Southern Loop,'" with Bruce Bentley and Francis Wyatt, 2006 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2006.

"Comparative Performance of Electrical Energy Efficiency Portfolios in Seven Northeast States," with Glenn Reed and Francis Wyatt, 2006 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2006.

"Charting New Frontiers with Vermont's Deployment of Demand-Side Transmission and Distribution Resources," ACEEE National Conference on Energy Efficiency as a Resource, Berkeley, CA, September 27, 2005.

"Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Resource Potential In New York State: Summary of Potential Analysis Prepared For the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority", invited presentation to the National Academy of Sciences Committee On Alternatives to Indian Point, Washington, DC, January 2005.

"Estimating and Valuing Energy-Efficiency Resource Contributions: Toward a Common Regional Protocol," presented at the Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships conference on regional efficiency policy, November 2004.

"The Economically Achievable Energy Efficiency Potential in New England," presented at the Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships conference on regional efficiency policy, November 2004.



"Rewarding Successful Efficiency Investment In Three Neighboring States: The Sequel, the Re-Make and the Next Generation (In Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut)," (with P. Horowitz and S. Slote), 2004 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2004.

"Measuring Success at the Nation's First Efficiency Utility" (With B. Hamilton), 2002 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2002.

"New Jersey's Clean Energy Collaborative: Model or Mess?" (with D. Bryk and S. Coakley), 2002 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2002.

"Yes, Virginia, You Can Get There From Here: New Jersey's New Policy Framework For Guiding Ratepayer-Funded Efficiency Programs" (with S. Coakley and D. Bryk), 2000 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2000.

"Integrated Market-Based Efficiency and Supply for Small Energy Consumers: The Consumer Energy Cooperative" (with B. Sachs and E. Belliveau) 2000 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 2000.

"Comprehensive Energy Services At Competitive Prices: Integrating Least-Cost Energy Services to Small Consumers through a Retail Buyer's Cooperative" (with B. Sachs), 1998 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 1998.

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"Joint Delivery of Core DSM Programs: The Next Generation, Made in Vermont" (with S. Parker), 1996 *Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, August 1996. 7.127.

"Retrofit Economics 201: Correcting Common Errors in Demand-Side Management Cost-Benefit Analysis" (with R. Brailove and J. Wallach) *IGT's Eighth International Symposium on Energy Modeling*, Atlanta, Georgia, April 1995.

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Louisville Gas and Electric Company. Invited to make presentation on commercial program design. March 10, 1994.

"DSM for Public Interest Groups," Seminar coordinator and presenter. DSM Training Institute, Boston, Massachusetts, October 1993.

DSM Training Institute - *Training for Ohio DSM Advocates: Effective DSM Collaborative Processes*. Seminar co-presenter. Cleveland, Ohio, August 1993.

"Demand-Management Programs: Targets and Strategies," Vol. 1 of "Building Ontario Hydro's Conservation Power Plant" (with J. Wallach, J. Peters, and B. Hamilton), Coalition of Environmental Groups, Toronto, ONT, November 1992.

"DSM Program Monitoring and Evaluation: Prospects and Pitfalls for Consumer Advocates," *Proceedings from the Mid-Year NASUCA Meeting*, Saint Louis, Missouri, June 8, 1993.

"Twelve Steps To Comprehensive Demand-Management Program Development: A Collaborative Perspective", *Proceedings from the IRP Workshop: The Basic Landscape, NARUC-DOE Fourth IRP Conference*, Burlington Vermont, September 1992. 45.

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"Where Do We Go From Here? Eight Steps for Regulators to Jump-Start Least-Cost Planning" (with M. Dworkin), *Proceedings from the Seventh NARUC Biennial Regulatory Information Conference*, Columbus, Ohio, September 1990.

"A Utility Planner's Checklist for Least-Cost Efficiency Investment" (with P. Chernick) *Proceedings from the Seventh NARUC Biennial Regulatory Information Conference*, September 1990. Also published in *Proceedings from the Canadian Electric Association's Demand-Side Management Conference*, St. John, Nova Scotia, September 1990.

"Carrots and Sticks: Do Utilities Need Incentives to Do the Right Thing on Demand-Side Investment?", *Proceedings from the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates* Santa Fe, New Mexico, June 1990.

"New Tools On the Block: Evaluating Non-Utility Supply Opportunities with the Power Analyst" (with J. Wallach), *Proceedings from the Fourth National Conference on Microcomputer Applications in Energy*, Phoenix, AZ, April 1990.

"Breaking New Ground in Collaboration and Program Design," *The Rocky Mountain Institute Competitek Forum* (Moderator), Aspen, Colorado, September 1989.

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Reappraisal" (with P. Chernick), *1988 Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Pacific Grove, California, September 1988.  
"Pursuing Least-Cost Strategies for Ratepayers While Promoting Competitive Success for Utilities", *Proceedings from the Least-Cost Planning Conference, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners*, Aspen, Colorado, April 1988.

"Balancing Different Economic Perspectives in Demand-Side Resource Evaluation", Workshop on Demand-Side Bidding, Co-sponsored by New York State PSC, ERDA, and Energy Office, Albany, New York, March 1988.

"There They Go Again: A Critique of the AER/UDI Report on Future Electricity Adequacy through the Year 2000" (with C. Komanoff, H. Geller and C. Mitchell), Presentation NASUCA (also debated AER/UDI co-author before NARUC annual meeting), New Orleans, Louisiana, November 1987.

"Saying No to the No-Losers Test: Correctly Assessing Demand-Side Resources to Achieve Least-Cost Utility Strategies", *Proceedings from the Mid-year NASUCA meeting*, Washington, D.C., June 1987.

"The Economic Impact of Three Mile Island" (with C. Komanoff), *Proceedings from the American Association for the Advancement of Science symposium*, May 1986.

"Facing the Grid" (with D. Morris), *New Shelter*, May - June 1981.

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- 1986–Present* **President, Resource Insight, Inc.** Consults and testifies in utility and insurance economics. Reviews utility supply-planning processes and outcomes: assesses prudence of prior power planning investment decisions, identifies excess generating capacity, analyzes effects of power-pool-pricing rules on equity and utility incentives. Reviews electric-utility rate design. Estimates magnitude and cost of future load growth. Designs and evaluates conservation programs for electric, natural-gas, and water utilities, including hook-up charges and conservation cost recovery mechanisms. Determines avoided costs due to cogenerators. Evaluates cogeneration rate risk. Negotiates cogeneration contracts. Reviews management and pricing of district heating systems. Determines fair profit margins for automobile and workers' compensation insurance lines, incorporating reward for risk, return on investments, and tax effects. Determines profitability of transportation services. Advises regulatory commissions in least-cost planning, rate design, and cost allocation.
- 1981–86* **Research Associate, Analysis and Inference, Inc.** (Consultant, 1980–81). Researched, advised, and testified in various aspects of utility and insurance regulation. Designed self-insurance pool for nuclear decommissioning; estimated probability and cost of insurable events, and rate levels; assessed alternative rate designs. Projected nuclear power plant construction, operation, and decommissioning costs. Assessed reasonableness of earlier estimates of nuclear power plant construction schedules and costs. Reviewed prudence of utility construction decisions. Consulted on utility rate-design issues, including small-power-producer rates; retail natural-gas rates; public-agency electric rates, and comprehensive electric-rate design for a regional power agency. Developed electricity cost allocations between customer classes. Reviewed district-heating-system efficiency. Proposed power-plant performance standards. Analyzed auto-insurance profit requirements. Designed utility-financed, decentralized conservation program. Analyzed cost-effectiveness of transmission lines.
- 1977–81* **Utility Rate Analyst, Massachusetts Attorney General.** Analyzed utility filings and prepared alternative proposals. Participated in rate negotiations, discovery, cross-examination, and briefing. Provided extensive expert testimony before various regulatory agencies. Topics included demand forecasting, rate design, marginal costs, time-of-use rates, reliability issues, power-pool operations, nuclear-power cost projections, power-plant cost-benefit analysis, energy conservation, and alternative-energy development.

## EDUCATION

SM, Technology and Policy Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, February 1978.

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## HONORS

Chi Epsilon (Civil Engineering)

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Institute Award, Institute of Public Utilities, 1981.

## PUBLICATIONS

“Environmental Regulation in the Changing Electric-Utility Industry” (with Rachel Brailove), *International Association for Energy Economics Seventeenth Annual North American Conference* (96–105). Cleveland, Ohio: USAEE. 1996.

“The Price is Right: Restructuring Gain from Market Valuation of Utility Generating Assets” (with Jonathan Wallach), *International Association for Energy Economics Seventeenth Annual North American Conference* (345–352). Cleveland, Ohio: USAEE. 1996.

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“The Transfer Loss is All Transfer, No Loss” (with Jonathan Wallach), *The Electricity Journal* 6:6 (July 1993).

“Benefit-Cost Ratios Ignore Interclass Equity” (with others), *DSM Quarterly*, Spring 1992.

“ESCOs or Utility Programs: Which Are More Likely to Succeed?” (with Sabrina Birner), *The Electricity Journal* 5:2, March 1992.

“Determining the Marginal Value of Greenhouse Gas Emissions” (with Jill Schoenberg), *Energy Developments in the 1990s: Challenges Facing Global/Pacific Markets, Vol. II*, July 1991.

“Monetizing Environmental Externalities for Inclusion in Demand-Side Management Programs” (with E. Caverhill), *Proceedings from the Demand-Side Management and the Global Environment Conference*, April 1991.

“Accounting for Externalities” (with Emily Caverhill). *Public Utilities Fortnightly* 127(5), March 1 1991.

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“The Valuation of Environmental Externalities in Energy Conservation Planning” (with Emily Caverhill), *Energy Efficiency and the Environment: Forging the Link*. American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy; Washington: 1991.

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“Analysis of Residential Fuel Switching as an Electric Conservation Option” (with Eric Espenhorst and Ian Goodman), *Gas Energy Review*, December 1990.

“Externalities and Your Electric Bill,” *The Electricity Journal*, October 1990, p. 64.

“Monetizing Externalities in Utility Regulations: The Role of Control Costs” (with Emily Caverhill), in *Proceedings from the NARUC National Conference on Environmental Externalities*, October 1990.

“Monetizing Environmental Externalities in Utility Planning” (with Emily Caverhill), in *Proceedings from the NARUC Biennial Regulatory Information Conference*, September 1990.

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“Incorporating Environmental Externalities in Evaluation of District Heating Options” (with Emily Caverhill), *Proceedings from the International District Heating and Cooling Association 81st Annual Conference*, June 1990.

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“Incorporating Environmental Externalities in Utility Planning” (with Emily Caverhill), *Canadian Electrical Association Demand Side Management Conference*, May 1990.

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“Conservation and Cost-Benefit Issues Involved in Least-Cost Planning for Gas Utilities,” in *Least Cost Planning and Gas Utilities: Balancing Theories with Realities*, Seminar proceedings from the District of Columbia Natural Gas Seminar, May 23 1989.

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“Quantifying the Economic Benefits of Risk Reduction: Solar Energy Supply Versus Fossil Fuels,” in *Proceedings of the 1988 Annual Meeting of the American Solar Energy Society*, American Solar Energy Society, Inc., 1988, pp. 553–557.

“Capital Minimization: Salvation or Suicide?,” in I. C. Bupp, ed., *The New Electric Power Business*, Cambridge Energy Research Associates, 1987, pp. 63–72.

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Appliance penetration projections, price elasticity, econometric commercial forecast, peak demand forecast. Joint testimony with Susan C. Geller.

2. **MEFSC 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. **MEFSC 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.

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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 S.C. Geller.

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Reliability, capacity planning, capability responsibility allocation, customer generation, co-generation rates, reserve margins, operating reserve allocation. Joint testimony with S. Finger.

6. **ASLB, NRC 50-471**; Pilgrim Unit 2, Boston Edison Company; 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 S.C. Geller.

7. **MDPU 19845**; Boston Edison Time-of-Use Rate Case; Massachusetts Attorney General; December 4 1979.

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 S.C. Geller. Testimony eventually withdrawn due to delay in case.

8. **MDPU 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. **MDPU 20248**; Petition of MMWEC 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. **MDPU 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. **MEFSC 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. **MDPU 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. **MEFSC 79-1**; Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company Forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General; November 5 1980.

Cost comparison methodology; nuclear cost estimates; cost of conservation, co-generation, and solar.

15. **MDPU 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. **MDPU 535**; Regulations to Carry Out Section 210 of PURPA; Massachusetts Attorney General; January 26 1981 and February 13 1981.

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

17. **MEFSC 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. **MDPU 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. **MDPU 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. **DCPSC FC785**; Potomac Electric Power Rate Case; DC 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. **NHPUC 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. **Massachusetts 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. Illinois 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. 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.

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# Energy Supply Cost Function

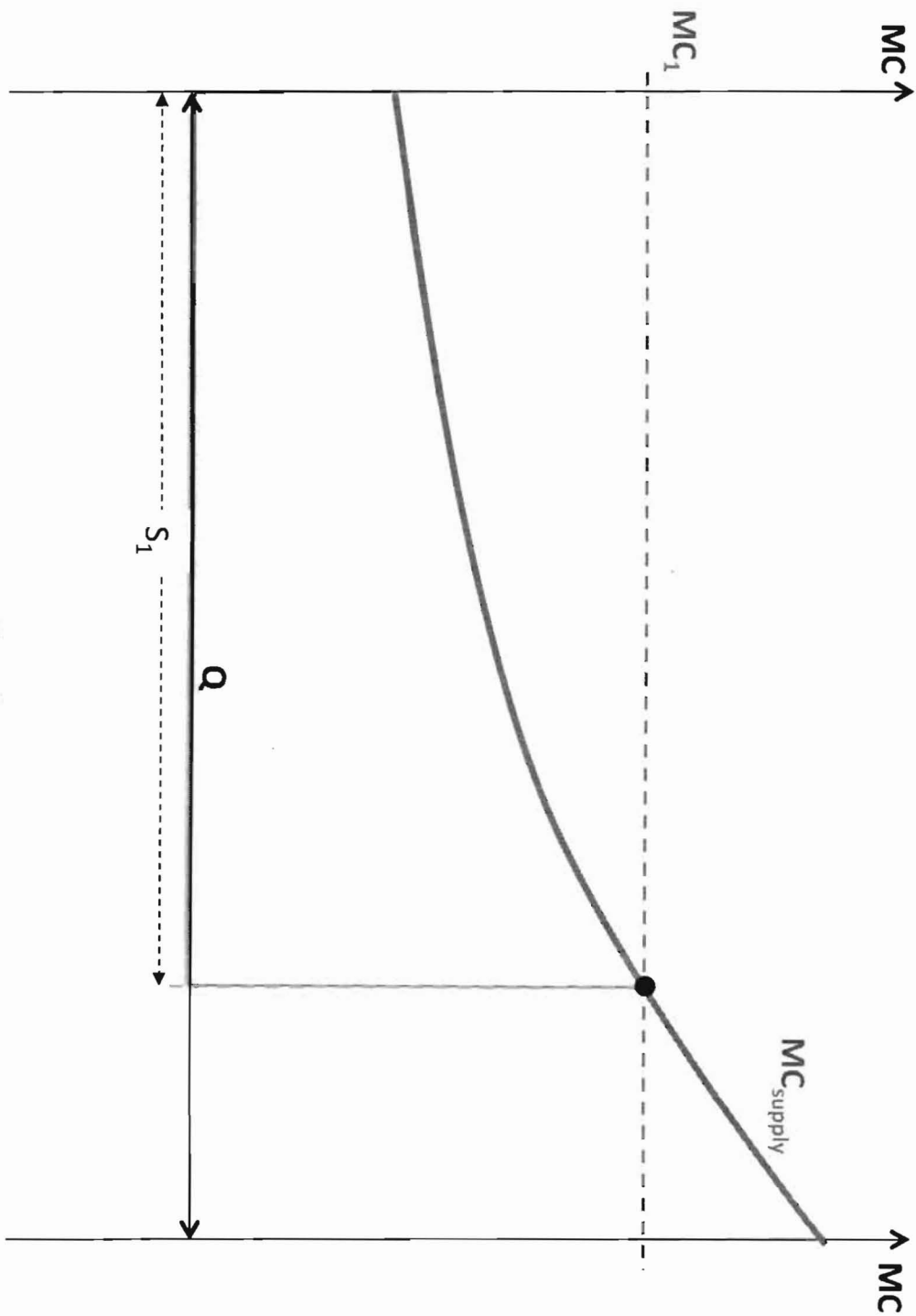


Figure 1

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## Energy Efficiency Cost Function (right origin)

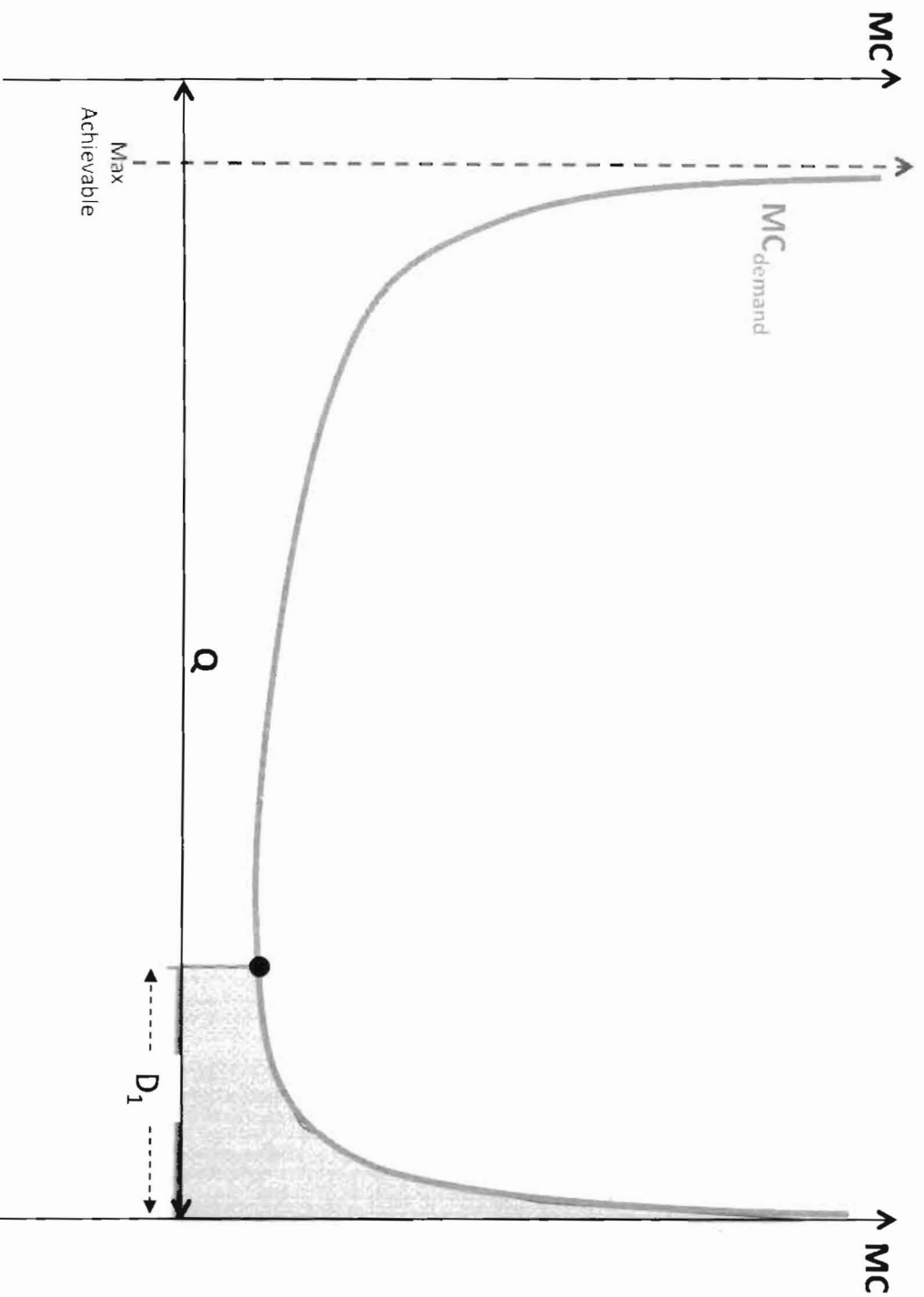


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**Energy Supply and Efficiency**

**Initial Resource Allocation**

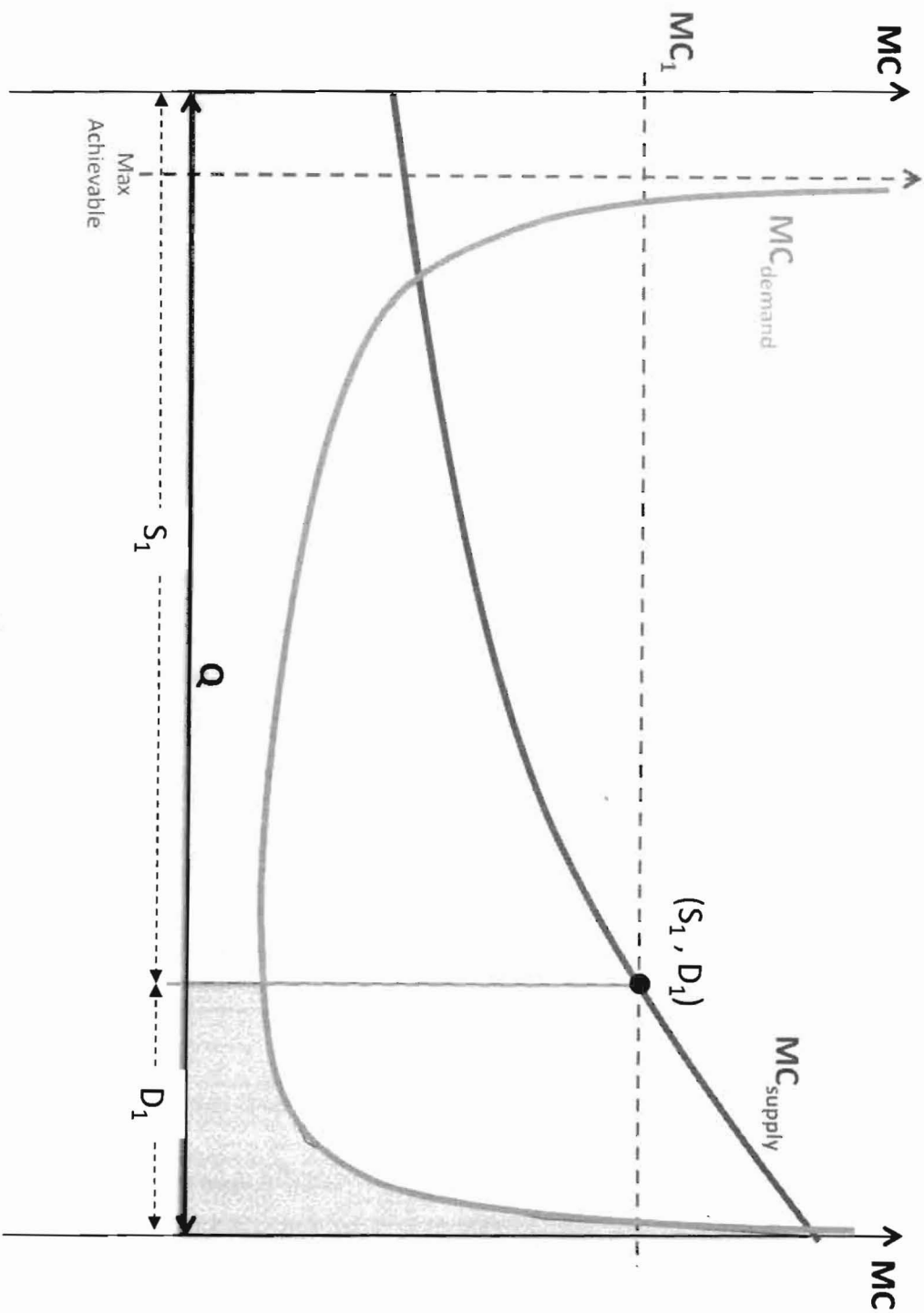


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**Energy Supply and Energy Efficiency  
Least-Cost Resource Reallocation**

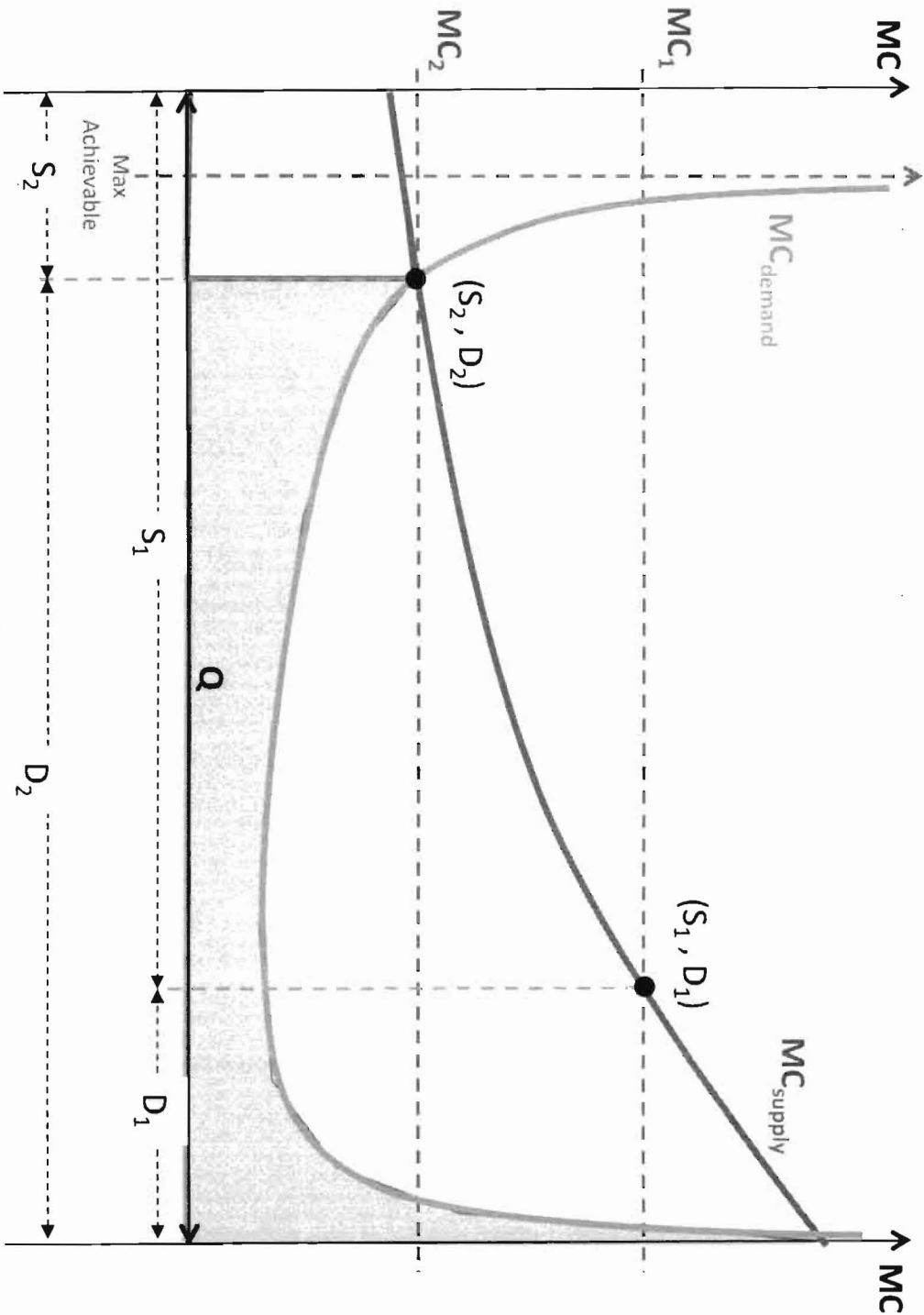


Figure 4

## Net Economic Benefits of Substituting All Cost-Effective Efficiency for Supply

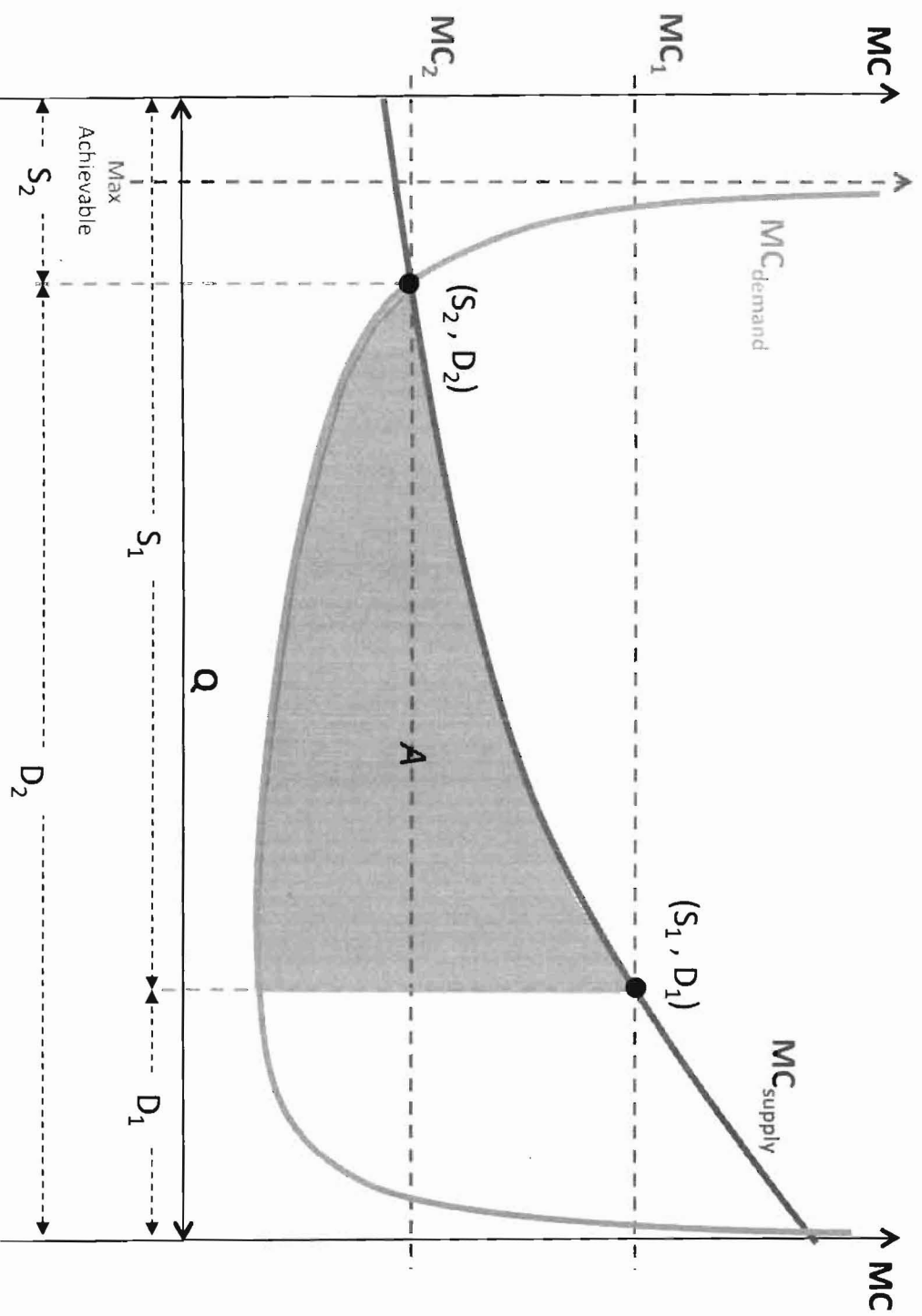


Figure 5

# ENERGY EFFICIENCY RETROFIT PROGRAM CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP

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# Today's Objectives

- BC Hydro and FortisBC are considering different program options for next program iteration
- Present current context and historical results
- Present different program options
- **Gather valuable feedback on feasibility and potential impacts of these options for further consideration**





# Overarching Objectives

- **Continued support of energy efficiency retrofit projects in BC**
  - ▶ Cost-effective Energy Savings, Bill Reduction
- **Increase demand for energy-efficiency retrofits**
  - ▶ Push: Energy retrofit contractors, others (on-ramp)
  - ▶ Pull: Sustained and growing participation
- **Increase depth of projects**
  - ▶ Multiple measures
- **Develop and support the industry**
  - ▶ Whole-house energy retrofit
    - *Blower-door assisted weatherization*
    - *Professionalism, Quality*
  - ▶ Increased Collaboration

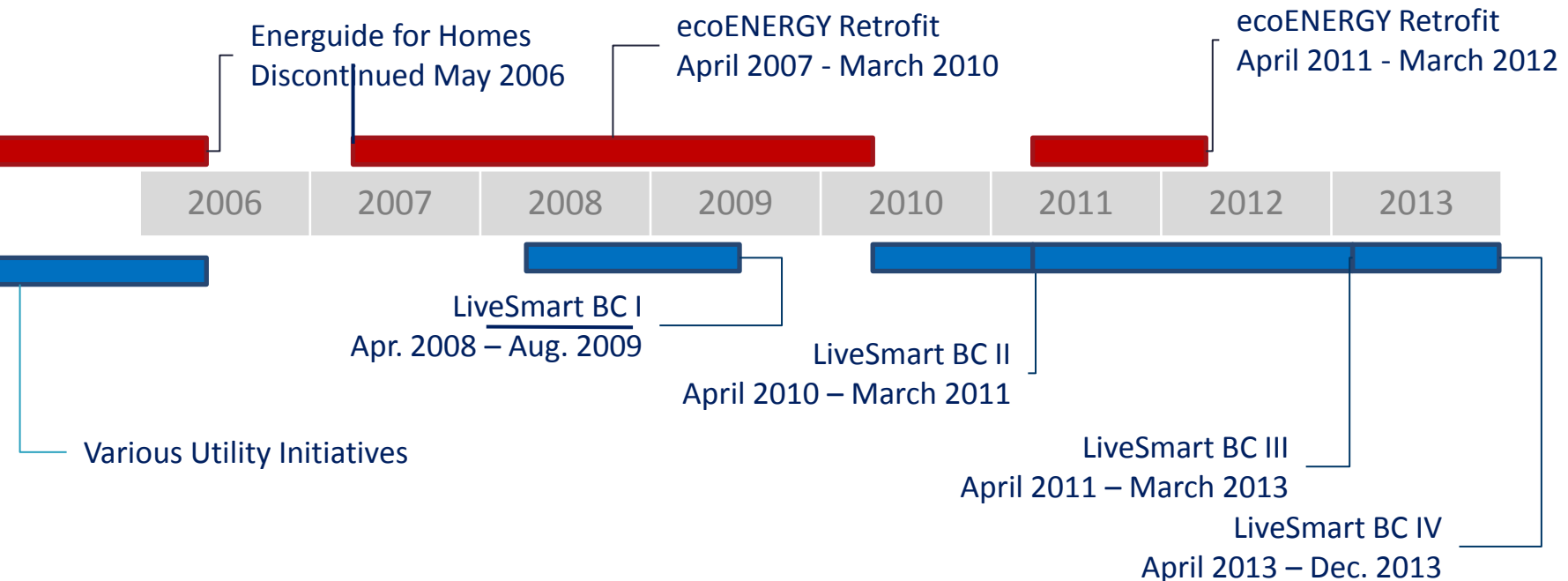


# BC LIVESMART PROGRAM DATA



# Home Energy Retrofit History

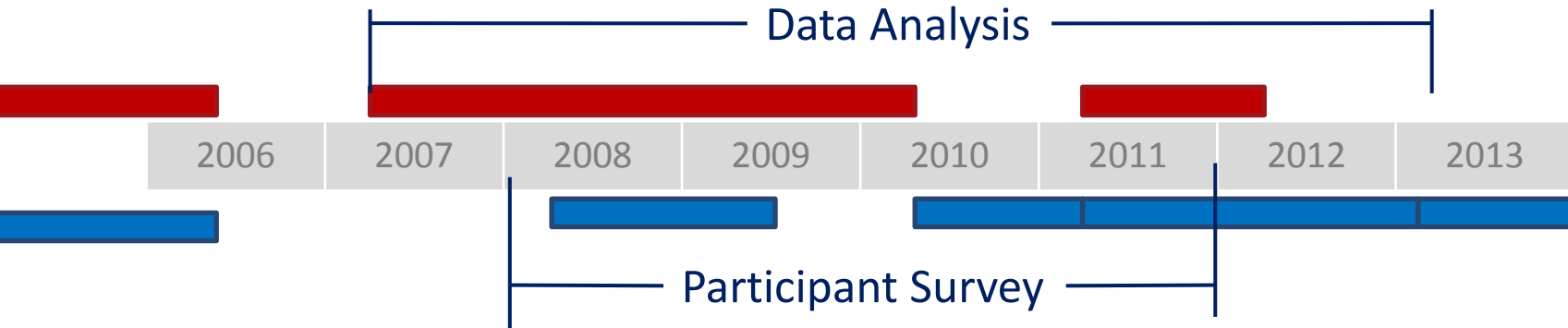
- Long Standing program – in market since 1990's





# Home Energy Retrofit History

- Long Standing program – in market since 1990's



- Historical Results – 2007-2013
- Participant Survey – 2008-2011



# LiveSmart BC - Today

- New program incentives launched April 1<sup>st</sup> 2013
  - ▶ Requires whole house energy assessment
    - *Pre-retrofit evaluation prior to Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013*
    - *Post-retrofit prior to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014*
  - ▶ First evaluation subsidized
  - ▶ Incentives for specific shell measures only (prescriptive) from BC Hydro and FortisBC only
- Various ongoing pilots

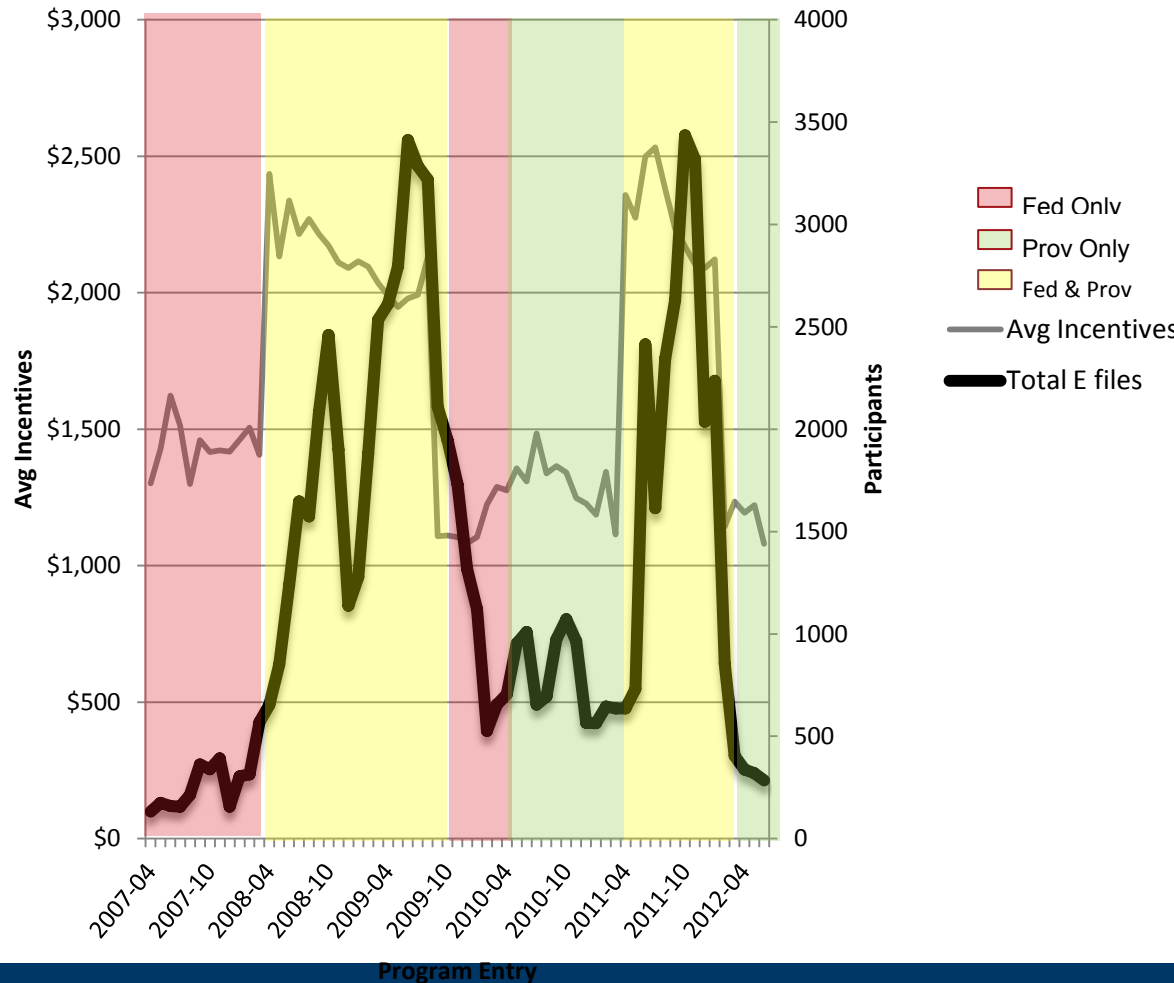




# BREADTH (Program Uptake)

- Historical: high sensitivity to incentives
- Recent: low demand since April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Monthly ECOenergy/BC Livesmart E Files



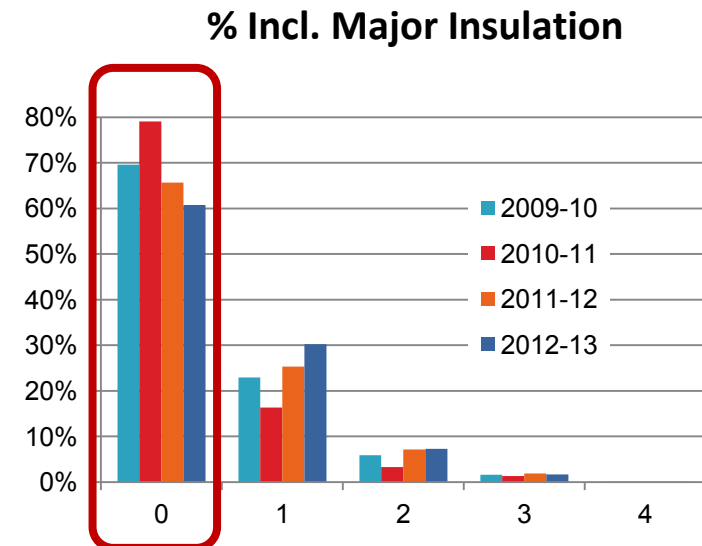
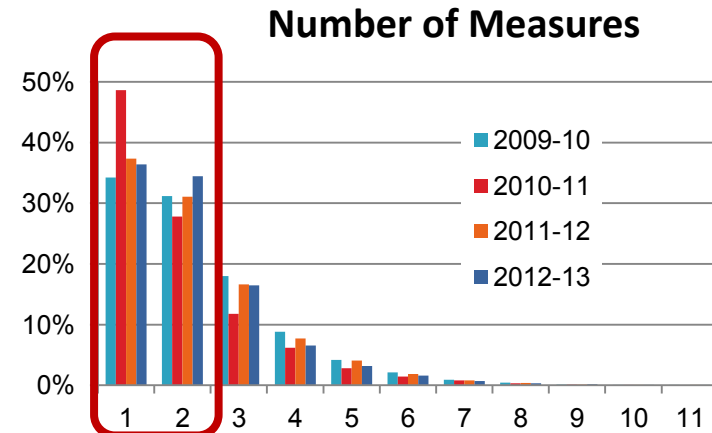


# DEPTH (# of Measures)

## ■ 2/3 implement two measures or less

- ▶ ~80-85% when considering insulation and air infiltration as one

## ■ Large (but diminishing) share doing NO major insulation (basement, wall, attic)



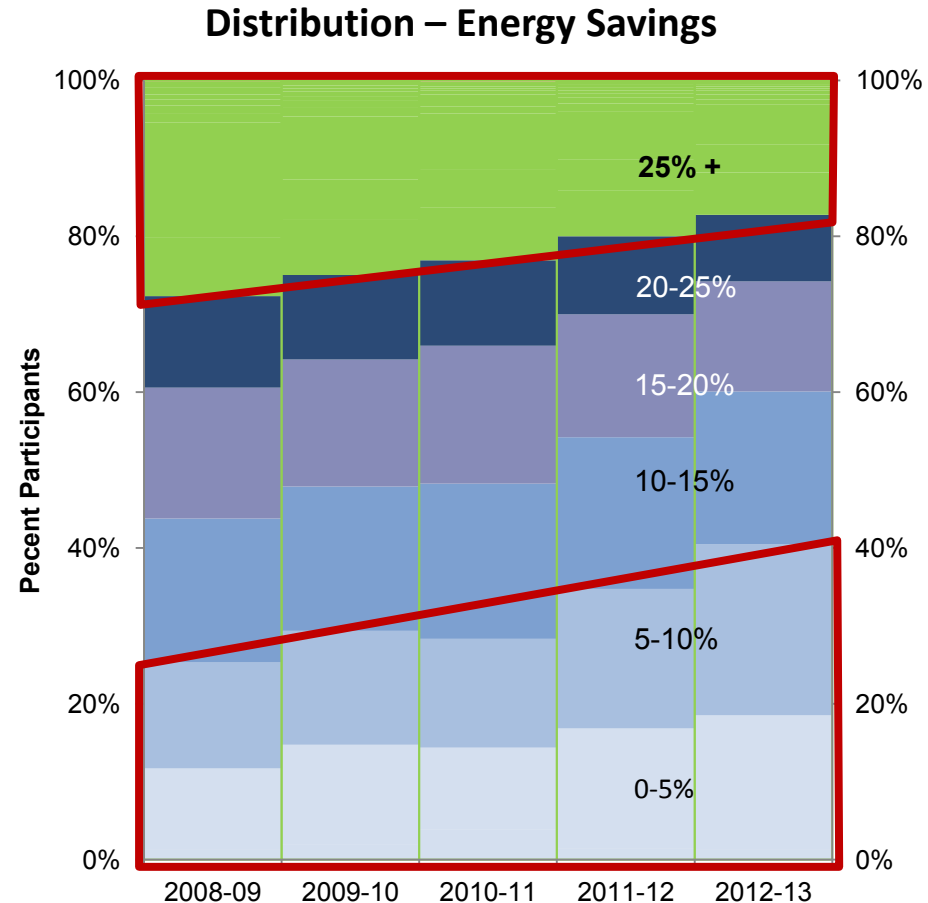


# DEPTH (% Savings)

## ■ Diminishing depth of savings over time

- ▶ >25% savings dropped from 28% to 17%
- ▶ <10% savings up from 25% to 40%

## ■ BOTTOM LINE: depth going in wrong direction





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# **Expanding Electric Energy Efficiency Resource Acquisition for FortisBC**

## **I. Introduction**

This report provides an overview of historic and projected spending and savings data for electric energy efficiency administrators in North America, including over twenty states and two Canadian provinces. The collection was analyzed and an empirical model for estimating the cost of acquiring energy efficiency resources was developed. This model was then used to estimate the cost to FortisBC Electric to acquire energy efficiency savings of 2% of sales starting in 2016 and going through 2023. Unless otherwise stated, values are in United States Dollars.

## **II. Research and Analysis of Efficiency Portfolio Costs and Savings**

### **A. Data from Regulatory Filings**

GEEG collected historical cost and savings data on efficiency portfolios reported to regulators for states with the greatest savings as a percentage of sales, including California and Northeastern states; for Midwestern and Western states with significant efficiency portfolios (Iowa, Nevada, and Wisconsin); and for neighboring jurisdictions of Arkansas and Texas. Where possible, GEEG obtained cost and saving data separately for the residential and nonresidential sectors. GEEG also collected efficiency spending and savings data for two Canadian provinces, British Columbia and Nova Scotia. Finally, GEEG assembled the latest information available on future plans for electric end-use efficiency investment in several leading states and provinces.

#### **1. Historical Results**

For the states mentioned above, Table 1 presents historical data on annual savings as a percentage of electric energy sales, and spending per annual kWh of savings, by year, ranked in decreasing order in terms of savings as a percentage of sales. Using the same four savings tiers depicting the ACEEE cost data in Figure 2, Table 1 is an attempt to make a direct comparison between energy efficiency programs and the pool of energy sales that these programs directly influence.

**Table 1: Statewide Totals by Year, Classified by Performance Tier, Ranked by Savings as a Percentage of Sales**

State / Province	Year	Savings as a % of Sales	2013\$/ kWh-yr	State / Province	Year	Savings as a % of Sales	2013\$/ kWh-yr
<b>Tier 1</b>				<b>Tier 2 (continued)</b>			
VT	2008	2.33%	\$0.27	VT	2006	0.86%	\$0.36
CA	2010	1.97%	\$0.27	MA	2007	0.86%	\$0.27
VT	2010	1.94%	\$0.35	NV	2006	0.86%	\$0.06
VT	2011	1.74%	\$0.38	CT	2009	0.85%	\$0.33
CA	2005	1.61%	\$0.19	CT	2002	0.84%	\$0.45
VT	2007	1.60%	\$0.24	IA	2006	0.84%	\$0.17
<b>Tier 2</b>				Pac. NW	2002	0.83%	\$0.20
CT	2010	1.49%	\$0.32	IA	2007	0.83%	\$0.17
VT	2009	1.46%	\$0.38	RI	2005	0.82%	\$0.29
MA	2011	1.42%	\$0.36	Pac. NW	2001	0.82%	\$0.18
HI	2008	1.38%	\$0.11	RI	2007	0.81%	\$0.29
NV	2009	1.35%	\$0.10	VT	2003	0.81%	\$0.38
HI	2011	1.31%	\$0.21	BC	2007	0.81%	\$0.09
CT	2008	1.28%	\$0.31	BC	2005	0.81%	\$0.11
CA	2011	1.26%	\$0.41	ME	2010	0.81%	\$0.18
RI	2011	1.25%	\$0.37	VT	2004	0.81%	\$0.39
NV	2008	1.24%	\$0.08	MA	2005	0.80%	\$0.33
Pac. NW	2008	1.24%	\$0.12	IA	2008	0.79%	\$0.20
IA	2009	1.20%	\$0.21	MA	2004	0.79%	\$0.36
MA	2010	1.12%	\$0.43	MA	2009	0.78%	\$0.49
CT	2007	1.12%	\$0.31	HI	2010	0.78%	\$0.27
NS	2011	1.12%	\$0.24	CA	2007	0.77%	\$0.54
CT	2006	1.11%	\$0.25	RI	2008	0.77%	\$0.27
Pac. NW	2009	1.10%	\$0.18	Pac. NW	2006	0.77%	\$0.17
CT	2001	1.10%	\$0.36	BC	2004	0.77%	\$0.13
Pac. NW	2007	1.09%	\$0.12	HI	2007	0.75%	\$0.24
RI	2009	1.07%	\$0.33	MA	2006	0.75%	\$0.36
CA	2009	1.06%	\$0.43	Pac. NW	2003	0.74%	\$0.18
RI	2010	1.05%	\$0.34	BC	2009	0.74%	\$0.21
CT	2005	1.03%	\$0.30	NV	2007	0.72%	\$0.07
CA	2008	1.02%	\$0.51	Pac. NW	2005	0.72%	\$0.18
IA	2010	1.01%	\$0.22	NY	2010	0.71%	\$0.23
HI	2009	1.01%	\$0.18	ME	2009	0.70%	\$0.18
BC	2010	0.98%	\$0.23	ME	2007	0.69%	\$0.16
CT	2004	0.97%	\$0.29	MA	2008	0.69%	\$0.36
CA	2004	0.93%	\$0.20	IA	2005	0.69%	\$0.19
RI	2006	0.91%	\$0.29	NS	2010	0.68%	\$0.24
ME	2008	0.87%	\$0.13	Pac. NW	2004	0.68%	\$0.18
VT	2005	0.87%	\$0.37				

Table 1 (Continued)

State / Province	Year	Savings as a % of Sales	2013\$/ kWh/yr Saved
<b>Tier 3</b>			
IA	2004	0.65%	\$0.21
VT	2002	0.64%	\$0.42
VT	2001	0.62%	\$0.35
WI	2009	0.61%	\$0.22
NJ	2009	0.61%	\$0.24
BC	2008	0.60%	\$0.18
MA	2003	0.57%	\$0.49
NY	2005	0.56%	\$0.18
NY	2006	0.56%	\$0.18
ME	2006	0.55%	\$0.15
NS	2009	0.53%	\$0.13
IA	2003	0.52%	\$0.23
BC	2006	0.52%	\$0.13
WI	2010	0.52%	\$0.26
NY	2007	0.51%	\$0.20
NY	2009	0.50%	\$0.26
NJ	2005	0.47%	\$0.27
MA	2002	0.45%	\$0.62
BC	2011	0.45%	\$0.47
NJ	2010	0.44%	\$0.48
NJ	2004	0.42%	\$0.35
NJ	2008	0.42%	\$0.26
IA	2002	0.38%	\$0.26
IA	2001	0.37%	\$0.28
CT	2003	0.37%	\$0.45
CA	2006	0.36%	\$0.67
AR	2010	0.33%	\$0.09
HI	2006	0.33%	\$0.34

State / Province	Year	Savings as a % of Sales	2013\$/ kWh/yr Saved
<b>Tier 4</b>			
NJ	2007	0.27%	\$0.44
NY	2004	0.24%	\$0.46
AR	2009	0.24%	\$0.09
OK	2010	0.23%	\$0.26
NY	2008	0.23%	\$0.47
PA	2009	0.19%	\$0.17
AR	2008	0.18%	\$0.11
NS	2008	0.17%	\$0.15
TX	2008	0.17%	\$0.18
TX	2009	0.16%	\$0.21
NJ	2006	0.16%	\$0.73
TX	2010	0.15%	\$0.21
TX	2007	0.12%	\$0.21
TX	2006	0.10%	\$0.21

\* New York has rolled out a number of new programs in 2009 under the EEPs initiative. These programs have not yet been accounted for in this table. Additionally, savings values for NYSEERDA from 2008 onward only include appliance savings from the New York Energy SmartSM Products Program.

Figure 1 shows the annual state and province data for 2006 through 2011 from Table 1, with the cost per kWh saved per year in 2013\$ mapped against the savings as a percent of sales.

**Figure 1: Historical Costs and Savings for States and Provinces by Year**

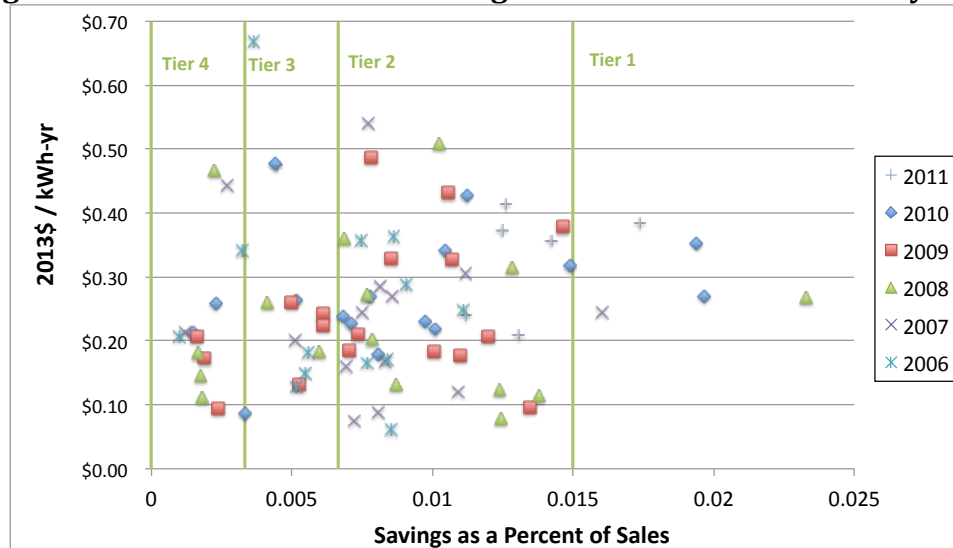


Table 1 shows that annual energy savings as a percentage of sales varies for leading efficiency portfolios and varies widely, both geographically and over time. Data is presented from highest to lowest savings as a percentage of sales, again divided into the four savings tiers.

Examination of the program-year data reveals that several states with DSM portfolios in the top two performance tiers over time have progressed through lower tiers. Also evident from program year performance data is that moving up from one tier to the next is common, especially to and from the second tier. For example, Connecticut increased annual savings from 0.37 percent to 1.49 percent of sales between 2003 and 2010, moving from Tier 3 to just below Tier 1. Nova Scotia recently went from 0.17 percent of sales in 2008, Tier 4 results, to 0.68 percent of sales in 2010, Tier 2 results. These observations support the feasibility of ramping up utility investment over time.

Another significant observation, not readily evident from the data, is that the top three tiers are all represented by both utility- and non-utility portfolio administrators. California, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts portfolios are all administered by distribution utilities; Maine, Vermont, Hawaii, and Wisconsin all have relied on non-utility (either government or non-government) administration for at least the last five years. New Jersey has changed from utility to non-utility program administration several years ago; New York has evolved in the opposite direction, supplementing government agency administration of statewide programs with utility-administered programs starting in 2009.

This finding supports the feasibility of scaling up FortisBC's efficiency resource acquisition: the existing capabilities of Fortis BC need not be a binding constraint.

## 2. Future Plans

GEEG obtained efficiency investment expenditures and planned savings for several jurisdictions with portfolios that ranked in the top two tiers in Table 1. Table 2 presents planned annual incremental savings as a percentage of electric energy sales for along with planned spending (in 2013 dollars) per kWh-yr saved.

**Table 2: Planned Electric Energy Efficiency Portfolio Savings and Costs in the US and Canada**

State / Province	Year	Savings as a % of Sales	2013\$/kWh-yr
<b>Tier 1</b>			
RI	2014	2.45%	\$0.45
MA	2015	2.26%	\$0.40
MA	2014	2.19%	\$0.40
VT	2017	2.16%	\$0.44
VT	2019	2.16%	\$0.44
MA	2013	2.13%	\$0.41
VT	2018	2.13%	\$0.44
VT	2016	2.09%	\$0.44
VT	2014	2.07%	\$0.41
RI	2013	2.06%	\$0.48
VT	2013	2.06%	\$0.40
VT	2012	2.04%	\$0.38
MA	2012	1.99%	\$0.51
VT	2015	1.96%	\$0.45
VT	2020	1.95%	\$0.49
VT	2021	1.95%	\$0.48
Pacific Northwest	2020	1.67%	\$0.24
Pacific Northwest	2019	1.67%	\$0.24
RI	2012	1.67%	\$0.51
Pacific Northwest	2021	1.65%	\$0.24
Pacific Northwest	2018	1.64%	\$0.23
Pacific Northwest	2017	1.61%	\$0.23
Pacific Northwest	2016	1.54%	\$0.23

State / Province	Year	Savings as a % of Sales	2013\$/kWh-yr
<b>Tier 2</b>			
Pacific Northwest	2015	1.41%	\$0.22
Pacific Northwest	2014	1.38%	\$0.24
Pacific Northwest	2013	1.30%	\$0.24
CA	2012	1.21%	\$0.42
Pacific Northwest	2012	1.21%	\$0.24
Nova Scotia	2017	1.20%	\$0.32
CT	2011	1.19%	\$0.31
HI	2012	1.18%	\$0.30
Nova Scotia	2016	1.16%	\$0.32
Nova Scotia	2015	1.13%	\$0.30
Pacific Northwest	2011	1.13%	\$0.24
Nova Scotia	2014	1.11%	\$0.29
Nova Scotia	2013	1.08%	\$0.28
PA	2011	1.03%	\$0.17
PA	2012	1.00%	\$0.18
NV	2011	0.89%	\$0.16
AR	2013	0.74%	\$0.32
<b>Tier 3</b>			
NV	2013	0.57%	\$0.23
NV	2012	0.51%	\$0.28
AR	2012	0.50%	\$0.35
AR	2014	0.31%	\$0.17
<b>Tier 4</b>			
AR	2011	0.26%	\$0.36

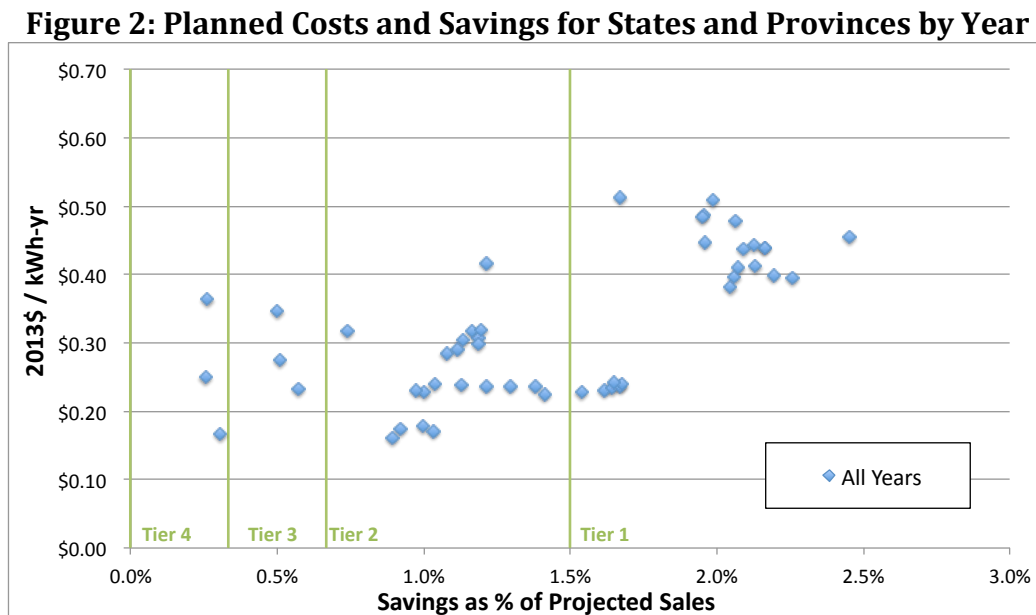
Also included in Table 2 are plans from Arkansas, showing a southern state's planned rise from Tier 4 to Tier 2. Oklahoma Gas and Electric's (OG&E) service territory includes part of western Arkansas, and approximately 10% of OG&E's 2009 sales were in Arkansas.<sup>1</sup> In proceedings before the Arkansas Public Service Commission, OG&E estimated that "it could ramp up to savings of 'slightly less than 1% per year'"<sup>2</sup>. In effect, OG&E is stating that it is capable of elevating its OK portfolio savings from Tier 4 performance in 2011 to Tier 3 performance in 2012, and then to Tier 2 performance in 2013.

<sup>1</sup> From US Energy Information Administration's Form 861

<sup>2</sup> Arkansas Public Service Commission: Docket No. 08-137-U, Order No. 1 (December 10, 2010). Page 12.

Costs of saved energy are expected to increase in Tier 1 states to over \$0.40/kWh-year saved, as well as in the second tier jurisdictions of Connecticut and Massachusetts. Lower costs of savings projected for Nova Scotia are consistent with the fact that the province has only recently begun to ramp up efficiency investment in the last several years.

Figure 2 shows cost per kWh saved per year in 2013\$, from Table 2, plotted against the savings as a percent of sales from a state or province's planned energy efficiency efforts.



Prospectively, the positive correlation between the savings costs and savings depth is more pronounced in Figure 2 than it is in historical data depicted in Figure 1.

## B. Econometric Analysis of Efficiency Resource Acquisition Costs

Using data collected on past and planned cost and savings, GEEG developed a multivariate regression model that predicts energy efficiency resource acquisition costs per kWh of annual savings as a function of four types of variables:

- Savings depth (% of annual sales)
- Time: Portfolio maturity (years); post-2011 plan vs. historical results; year that portfolio investment commenced
- Customer sector (nonresidential)
- Location (if the portfolio is in New England or California)

The model is estimated using ordinary least-squares regression from a pooled (time series, cross section) sample of 481 observations of annual efficiency spending and savings data for portfolio administrators in 19 American states and two Canadian



provinces. In 226 cases (443 of the data points), spending and savings data are reported separately for residential and non-residential efficiency investment; in 38 other cases, data was available only at the portfolio level. In aggregate, the dataset represents approximately \$27.5 billion of historical and planned investment (in 2013\$), generating cumulative annual energy savings of over 100,000 GWh/yr.

All the model's estimated coefficients are highly statistically significant (with confidence levels beyond 99.9%). The model accounts for over 85 percent of the sample variance of the dependent variable, acquisition cost per kWh-yr (Adjusted R-square = 0.8732). Table 3 and Table 4 below show general information regarding the model.

**Table 3: Linear Regression Model for Cost of Energy Savings**

Variables		Coefficients	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	Signf
Dol_kWh_Yr_201: Y						
Intercept		0				
Per_Sav	$X_1$	-29.74	3.22	-9.238	<2.00E-16	***
Per_Sav_Pow	$1/X_1$	0.00007	0.00002	4.344	1.710E-05	***
Per_Sav_Sq	$X_1^2$	634.4	94.9	6.685	6.550E-11	***
Yr_1	$X_2$	0.00018	0.00001	17.068	<2.00E-16	***
Maturity	$X_3$	0.0086	0.0013	6.576	1.290E-10	***
Nonres	$X_4$	-0.0721	0.0115	-6.296	7.010E-10	***
Planned	$X_5$	0.0634	0.0155	4.098	4.910E-05	***
CA	$X_6$	0.2582	0.0220	11.730	<2.00E-16	***
NE	$X_7$	0.2032	0.0141	14.374	<2.00E-16	***

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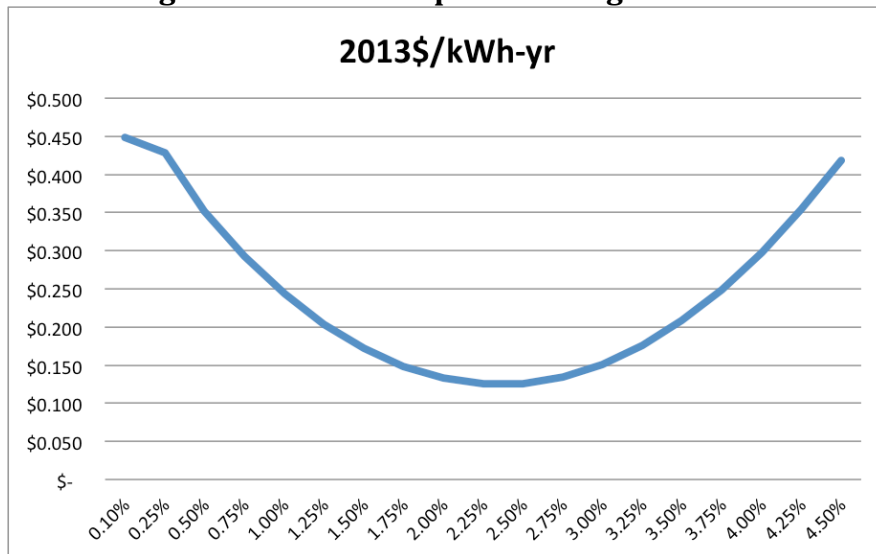
**Table 4: Linear Regression Model Summary Statistics**

Regression Statistics		Residuals	
Residual standard error	0.1234 on 470 degrees of freedom	Min	-0.278
Multiple R-squared	0.8755	1Q	-0.072
Adjusted R-squared	0.8732	Median	-0.010
F-statistic	367.4 on 9 and 470 DF	3Q	0.062
p-value	< 2.2e-16	Max	0.532

The model predicts that acquisition costs increase with portfolio maturity and with each calendar year. Nonresidential efficiency acquisition costs are \$0.0721/kWh-yr cheaper than residential or total portfolio costs. Acquisition costs are lower outside California and New England, with the former adding \$0.2582/kWh-yr and the later adding \$0.2032/kWh-yr to costs.

It also predicts acquisition costs as a polynomial function of savings depth. Figure 3 isolates the effect of savings depth on a portfolio in 2013, that started in 2009, and is located outside New England and California. It clearly indicates both scale economies for savings up to 2.5% per year of sales, and diminishing returns thereafter.

**Figure 3: Effect of Depth of Savings Isolated**



### III. Application of Empirical Analysis: Scaling Up Energy Efficiency Resource Acquisition for FortisBC

#### A. FortisBC's Historic and Planned Savings

FortisBC has recently scaled back its planned electric energy efficiency. Table 5 shows FBC's plans to achieve approximately 0.50% savings as a percent sales for 2014 through 2018.

**Table 5: FortisBC Electric Planned Energy Efficiency**

Year	Spending (CAD \$000s)	Savings (MWh)	Savings as a % of Sales	\$/kWh-yr
2014	\$3,001	12,800	0.48%	\$0.23
2015	\$3,087	12,887	0.47%	\$0.24
2016	\$3,054	12,823	0.47%	\$0.24
2017	\$3,100	12,823	0.46%	\$0.24
2018	\$3,153	12,823	0.46%	\$0.25

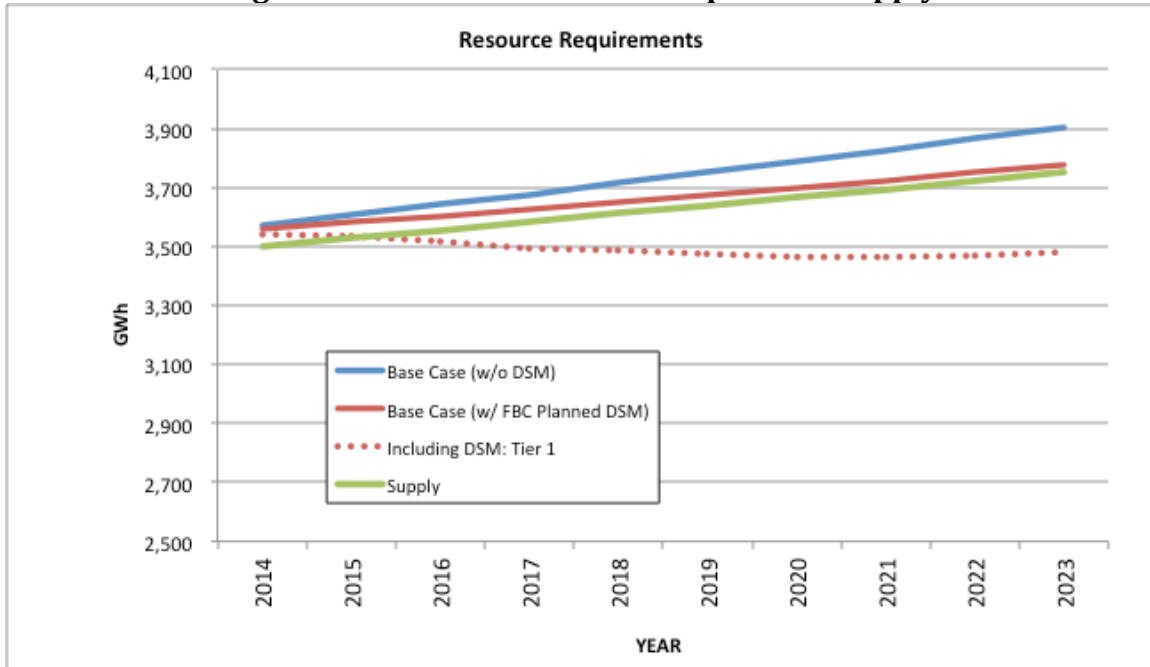
#### B. Achievable Efficiency Resource Acquisition Targets for FortisBC

This report establishes the feasibility of a more aggressive scenario for acquiring energy efficiency resources than what is currently projected by FBC. By following industry best practices, FBC can ramp up its planned efficiency investment to reduce forecast electricity sales by two percent annually beginning in 2016. To get to this point, FBC should:

- Achieve savings as a percent of sales of 1.0% in 2014
- Achieve savings as a percent of sales of 1.5% in 2015
- Achieve savings as a percent of sales of 2.0% in 2016
- Maintain the 2.0% savings level through 2023

Figure 4 depicts, and Table 6 summarizes, the impact the two percent scenario would have on FBC's future electric energy requirements. This analysis considers "Year 1" to be the first year that DSM projections differ from those provided by FBC, currently 2014. This analysis projects out new savings for 10 years beyond the shift to higher savings, to 2023. To calculate the savings values, FBC's reference load forecast was used as the basis, with the total of the commercial, industrial, lighting, and irrigation sales representing the non-residential sector sales.

**Figure 4: FBC Sales Forecast Compared to Supply**



**Table 6: FBC Efficiency Savings (Cumulative Annual<sup>3</sup>, with Line Losses<sup>4</sup>)**

Time Period		GWh
Year 1	2014	27
Year 2	2015	65
Year 5	2018	211
Year 10	2023	391

Reducing FBC’s electric energy requirements by two percent annually would yield cumulative annual savings by 2023 of 391 GWh. In addition, it would mitigate the need for new supply resources, that still exists when FBC’s current DSM plans are taken in to account. Detailed savings and sales projections are in Appendix A.

### C. Predicting Costs of FortisBC’s Energy Efficiency Savings

The linear regression model developed in the previous section predicts portfolio administrator unit acquisition costs (\$/kWh-yr) based on values selected for each

<sup>3</sup>The cumulative savings incorporate measure decay. The decay is based on analysis done by Efficiency Vermont on February 28, 2012 for the Vermont Department of Public Service. By the end of year 5, incremental residential savings will have decayed by 41% and non-residential savings will have decayed 6%. By the end of year 10, savings will have decayed by 92% and 37% respectively.

<sup>4</sup> Savings shown “with line losses” reflect the higher amount of energy required at generation to provide the net energy used by consumers. Conversely, energy “sales” are shown “without line losses”.

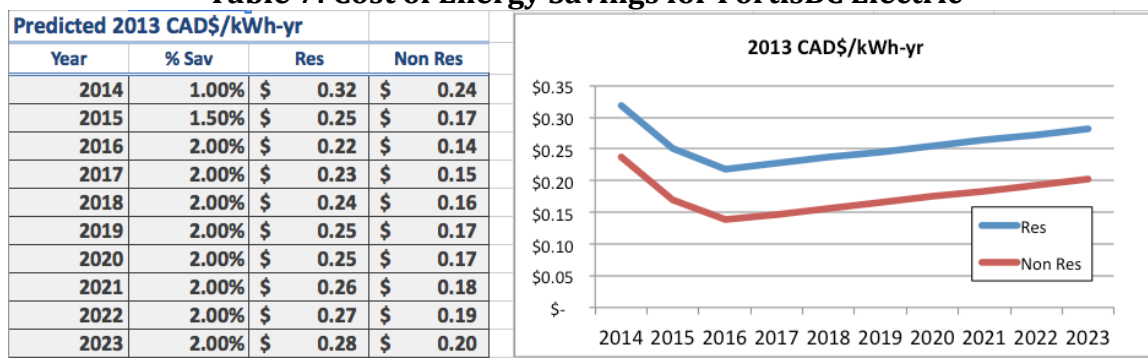
explanatory variable. This regression model was used to estimate FBC's projected costs to achieve Tier 1 savings identified above. 2013 USD values were converted to CAD values using an average exchange rate for 2013 of 0.97175.

## 1. Projected Acquisition Costs for Expanded FortisBC Portfolio

### a. Costs per kWh of annual savings

The regression equation was used to project costs for the expanded portfolio, first by ramping annual savings up to 1.0% of sales in 2014, 1.5% in 2015, and then scaling all the way up to 2.0% per year going forward. The regression model also sets the “planned savings” variable to true, and acknowledges that FBC programs go back to the start of the data set in 2004. Additionally, variables for California and New England are set to false. These assumptions are then used to forecast costs for the expanded portfolio's two components: (1) forecast costs for residential energy efficiency resources, and, (2) forecasts for non-residential energy efficiency resources. Table 7 shows the savings acquisition costs predicted by the model.

**Table 7: Cost of Energy Savings for FortisBC Electric**



The residential costs start at CAD\$0.32/kWh-yr, falling to as low as CAD\$0.22/kWh-yr by 2016, and then rising monotonically thereafter to CAD\$0.28/kWh-yr by 2023. Non-residential costs start at CAD\$0.24/kWh-yr range, falling to CAD\$0.14/kWh-yr, and ending up near CAD\$0.20/kWh-yr.

### b. Annual portfolio expenditures

GEEG estimated annual budgets for each portfolio scenario by multiplying the sector-level acquisition costs in Table 7 by the annual incremental savings acquired (detailed in Appendix A). The table below shows predicted FBC spending by sector by year to meet top-tier portfolio savings targets.

**Table 8: FBC Spending Projections (Millions of 2013 CAD\$)**

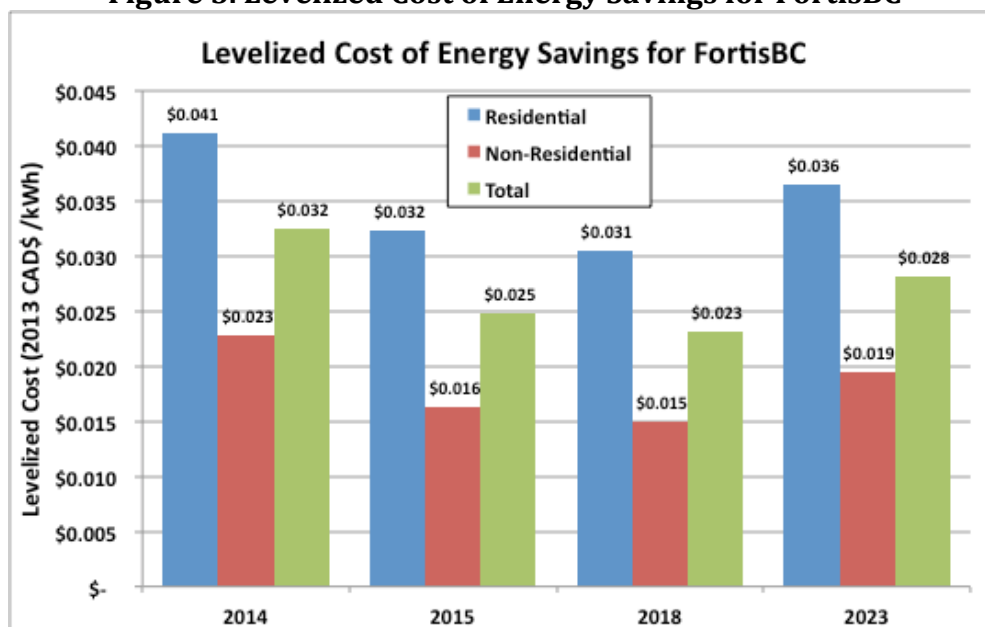
Year	Residential	Non-Residential	Total
2014	\$4.51	\$3.04	\$7.55
2015	\$5.36	\$3.31	\$8.68
2018	\$6.92	\$4.20	\$11.12
2023	\$8.59	\$5.78	\$14.37
NPV (@4.93%)	\$52.4	\$33.0	\$85.3

### c. Levelized Costs of Saved Electric Energy

GEEG calculated the levelized cost per kWh of electric efficiency savings using a real discount rate of 4.93 percent, and assuming an average savings lifetime of 10 years for residential programs and 15 years for nonresidential programs. This is consistent with expectations about the greater longevity of high-efficiency lighting, HVAC, and other equipment most likely to constitute the majority of future efficiency investments in each sector. These calculations assume that FBC expands residential and nonresidential efficiency in proportion to their existing portfolio shares. In reality, it would be expected that FBC would disproportionately invest in the nonresidential sector due to the low acquisition costs of efficiency savings.

The results are shown in the figure below. Achieving two percent annual savings is projected to cost between CAD\$16 and CAD\$41 per MWh saved.

**Figure 5. Levelized Cost of Energy Savings for FortisBC**



## 2. Incremental Savings and Spending

Table 9 shows the incremental electricity savings of a Tier 1 program over and above FBC's plan and additional annual portfolio expenditures that industry experience predicts will be needed to acquire them.

**Table 9: Comparison of Savings and PV of Budgets**

		Cumulative GWh Savings			Present Value Cumulative Budgets (Millions 2013 CAD\$)		
Time Period		Tier 1	FBC Planned	Difference	Tier 1	FBC Planned	Difference
Year 1	2014	26.9	12.8	14.1	\$7.2	\$3.0	\$4.2
Year 2	2015	65.3	25.7	39.6	\$15.1	\$5.9	\$9.1
Year 3	2016	116.5	38.5	78.0	\$23.6	\$8.7	\$14.9
Year 4	2017	165.0	51.3	113.6	\$32.3	\$11.4	\$20.9
Year 5	2018	211.3	64.2	147.1	\$41.0	\$14.0	\$27.0

The present worth of portfolio expenditures over the planning horizon for expanding efficiency investment is \$27 million.

### D. Cost-Effectiveness of Expanding FBC's Efficiency Resource Acquisition

The cost-effectiveness of expanding efficiency resource acquisition is determined by the net benefits of the additional investment compared to the base case spending and savings. Benefits consist of the long-run marginal costs of electric energy and capacity avoided by the energy and peak demand savings from efficiency investment.

Achieving top-tier energy efficiency performance from 2014 through 2023 would generate CAD\$251 million in present worth of net benefits (present worth of benefits minus present worth of costs). GEEG calculated the benefits of expanding FBC's efficiency acquisition using avoided cost values provided by Paul Chernick, which start at CAD\$0.09189/kWh in 2014 and rise to CAD\$0.16949 in 2021.<sup>5</sup>

The scope of costs included this cost-effectiveness analysis is limited to those incurred and avoided on the electricity system by electricity customers through electricity prices. It does not cover resource costs incurred by customers to participate in the efficiency investments. In particular, the analysis does not include costs of efficiency investments paid by participants toward the additional savings of the expanded portfolio. These real costs must be counted under the total resource

<sup>5</sup> See Section IV(E) of accompanying testimony.

and the societal perspectives regulators recognize as the true litmus tests of the economic merits of competing resource alternatives.

GEEG has not estimated the additional customer contribution associated with expanding FBC's planned investment. Industry experience does provide some guidance, however. In general, top-tier portfolios typically involve programs that pay financial incentives that cover all or most of the incremental costs of additional efficiency savings. Moreover, expanding participation and per-participant savings involves real implementation costs, such as additional marketing and technical assistance.

Consequently, it is possible to estimate the amount of missing customer contribution as a percentage of the portfolio expenditures predicted with GEEG's empirical cost model. If A is the share of portfolio expansion expenses devoted to financial incentives, and B is the share of efficiency costs covered by financial incentives, then the missing customer share, C, is a percentage of the portfolio costs:

$$C = A * (1/B - 1).$$

So if financial incentives represent four fifths of portfolio expenditures, and financial incentives typically cover three quarters of the total resource costs of additional efficiency investment, then customer (and/or other third-party contributions) would be 27 percent in addition to the estimated program expenditures to achieve top-tier portfolio savings. These assumptions are consistent with industry best practices associated with the most aggressive efficiency portfolios.<sup>6</sup>

For example, if the average portfolio cost of expanded efficiency savings is 4.4 cents levelized per kWh, then under these assumptions, missing customer contributions would be worth another 27%, or 1.2 cents/kWh, for a total resource cost of 5.6 cents/kWh.

Based on GEEG's projection of expanded portfolio expenditures, CAD\$34 million is the estimated present worth of customer and third-party costs associated with expanding FBC's efficiency acquisition plan. Incorporating these costs into the calculation of total resource costs, expanding FBC's portfolio to achieve top-tier performance would yield \$251 million in net benefits to British Columbia's economy over the life of the efficiency measures installed.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> Higher values of A and B lower the amount of omitted customer contribution. The 80% and 75% assumed here for incentive budget and efficiency cost shares are consistent with aggressive financial incentives to induce greater participation and savings per participant.

<sup>7</sup> Calculations are presented in Appendix B



# **APPENDIX A**

## Detailed Projections for FortisBC

## Appendix A – Detailed Projections for FortisBC

### PROJECTION ASSUMPTIONS

Sector	Measure Life
Residential	10
Non-Residential	15
Real Discount Rate	4.93%
Line loss factor	8.8%

Year	Savings as a Percent of Sales	2013 CAD\$/kWh-yr	
		Residential	Non-residential
2014	1.0%	\$0.32	\$0.24
2015	1.5%	\$0.25	\$0.17
2016	2.0%	\$0.22	\$0.14
2017	2.0%	\$0.23	\$0.15
2018	2.0%	\$0.24	\$0.16
2019	2.0%	\$0.25	\$0.17
2020	2.0%	\$0.25	\$0.17
2021	2.0%	\$0.26	\$0.18
2022	2.0%	\$0.27	\$0.19
2023	2.0%	\$0.28	\$0.20

### INCREMENTAL SAVINGS

#### Projected Incremental Annual Energy Efficiency GWh Savings (without losses)

Year	Residential	C&I	Total
2014	14.2	12.8	26.9
2015	21.4	19.4	40.8
2016	28.8	26.2	55.0
2017	29.0	26.5	55.5
2018	29.2	26.9	56.1
2019	29.5	27.2	56.7
2020	29.7	27.6	57.3
2021	29.9	27.9	57.8
2022	30.2	28.3	58.4
2023	30.4	28.6	59.0

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### CUMULATIVE ENERGY SAVINGS

Projected Cumulative Energy Efficiency Savings GWh (without losses)\*.

Year	Residential	C&I	Total
2014	14.2	12.8	26.9
2015	33.1	32.2	65.3
2016	58.1	58.4	116.5
2017	80.3	84.7	165.0
2018	100.2	111.1	211.3
2019	118.6	137.2	255.8
2020	134.9	162.8	297.7
2021	147.0	186.7	333.7
2022	154.7	209.7	364.3
2023	159.6	231.7	391.3

\* The cumulative savings incorporate measure decay. The decay is based analysis done by Efficiency Vermont on February 28, 2012 for the Vermont Department of Public Service. By the end of year 5, incremental residential savings will have decayed by 41% and non-residential savings will have decayed 6%. By the end of year 10, savings will have decayed by 92% and 37% respectively.

### SALES FORECASTS (GWh, without Losses)

Fiscal Year	Without Energy Efficiency	With Energy Efficiency
2014	2,694	2,665
2015	2,722	2,651
2016	2,750	2,623
2017	2,774	2,595
2018	2,806	2,576
2019	2,834	2,556
2020	2,863	2,539
2021	2,892	2,529
2022	2,922	2,525
2023	2,952	2,526

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### SPENDING PROJECTIONS

Year	Budgets (Millions 2013\$)		
	Residential	C&I	Total
2014	\$4.51	\$3.04	\$7.55
2015	\$5.36	\$3.31	\$8.68
2016	\$6.28	\$3.62	\$9.90
2017	\$6.59	\$3.90	\$10.49
2018	\$6.92	\$4.20	\$11.12
2019	\$7.24	\$4.50	\$11.75
2020	\$7.57	\$4.81	\$12.39
2021	\$7.91	\$5.13	\$13.04
2022	\$8.25	\$5.45	\$13.70
2023	\$8.59	\$5.78	\$14.37

## **APPENDIX B**

### **Calculation of Total Resource Cost Test for FortisBC**

## Appendix B – Calculation of Total Resource Cost Test for FortisBC

Description	Value	Formula
Share of incremental expenditures assigned to financial incentives (vs. marketing, administration, delivery)	80%	$a$
Share of additional efficiency measure cost covered by incremental financial incentives	75%	$b$
Total resource cost including customer contribution toward expanded efficiency investment, times portfolio investment	127%	$c = a[(1/b) - 1] + 1$
Total portfolio spending, \$/kWh	\$0.031	$d$
Incentives	\$0.025	$e = a \times d$
Non-incentives	\$0.006	$f = d - e$
Total measure resource cost with customer contribution	\$0.033	$g = e/b$
Customer contribution	\$0.008	$h = g - e$
<b>Total resource cost of savings</b>	<b>\$0.039</b>	$i = d + h$
Customer contribution as % adder to portfolio expenditures	26.7%	$j = h / d$
Total portfolio spending, PV (Millions of 2013\$)	\$128	$k$
Customer contribution	\$34	$l = k \times j$
Total measure resource cost with customer contribution	\$162	$m = k + l$
Benefits, PV (Millions of 2013\$)	\$413	$n$
TRC Net Benefits, PV (Millions of 2013\$)	\$251	$o = n - m$