

Matter No. M07767

NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE *PUBLIC UTILITIES ACT*

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IN THE MATTER OF an application by Nova Scotia Power Incorporated for approval of capital work order CI#47124 for its Advanced Meter Infrastructure (“AMI”) Pilot in the amount of \$8,274,738

**EVIDENCE OF
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ON BEHALF OF
THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE**

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Professional qualifications of Paul Chernick

1 **I. Identification**

2 **Q: Mr. Chernick, please state your name, occupation, and business address.**

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

5 **Q: Summarize your professional education and experience.**

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

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

19 My work has considered, among other things, the cost-effectiveness of pro-
20 spective new electric generation plants and transmission lines, retrospective review
21 of generation-planning decisions, ratemaking for plant under construction, rate-
22 making for excess and/or uneconomical plant entering service, conservation
23 program design, cost recovery for utility efficiency programs, the valuation of
24 environmental externalities from energy production and use, allocation of costs of
25 service between rate classes and jurisdictions, design of retail and wholesale rates,
26 and performance-based ratemaking and cost recovery in restructured gas and
27 electric industries. My professional qualifications are further summarized in Exhibit
28 PLC-1.

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

30 A: Yes. I have testified more than 300 times on utility issues before various regulatory,
31 legislative, and judicial bodies, including utility regulators in thirty-five states and
32 five Canadian provinces, and two U.S. Federal agencies. This testimony has
33 included the review of many utility-proposed power plants and purchased-power
34 contracts.

35 **Q: Have you testified previously regarding utility investments?**

36 A: Yes. I have testified in numerous proceedings on generation, transmission
37 and other utility projects, as listed in my resume.

38 **Q: Have you previously testified before this Board?**

39 A: Yes. I testified in the Board's review of the following cases:

- 40 • Nova Scotia Power's Demand Side Management Plan for 2010 and Demand
41 Side Management Cost Recovery Rider in May 2009 (Matter No. 01439)

- 1 • The proposed purchased-power agreement between Nova Scotia Power Inc.
2 and a biomass project to be constructed at the NewPage Port Hawkesbury
3 pulp and paper mill (Matter No. 01496)
- 4 • Nova Scotia Power’s proposal to build the biomass project at NewPage Port
5 Hawkesbury (Matter No. 02961)
- 6 • Heritage Gas’s 2010 rate case (Matter No. 03454)
- 7 • Nova Scotia Power’s proposal to increase production depreciation rates
8 (Matter No. 03665)
- 9 • The Board’s review of proposed feed-in tariffs for certain distribution-
10 connected renewable projects (Matter No. 03632)
- 11 • The Nova Scotia Power 2012 General Rate Application (Matter No. 04104),
12 with respect to cost allocation and rate design
- 13 • The Board’s review of proposed a proposed load-retention tariff and rate
14 (Matter No. 04175)
- 15 • The application of Efficiency Nova Scotia Corporation’s Electricity Demand-
16 Side Management Plan for 2013–2015 (Matter No. 04819).
- 17 • The application of Nova Scotia Power and Pacific West Commercial
18 Corporation for a load-retention rate mechanism for the Port Hawkesbury
19 paper mill (Matter No. 04862)
- 20 • The Board’s review of Nova Scotia Power’s 2013 Annual Capital Expenditure
21 Plan (Matter No. 05339)
- 22 • The application of Nova Scotia Power for approval of the South Canoe Wind
23 Project (Matter No. 05416)
- 24 • The Board’s review of the Maritime Link proposal (Matter No. 05419).
- 25 • The Board’s review of Nova Scotia Power’s 2013 Cost of Service Study
26 (Matter No. 05473)
- 27 • The Board’s review of proposed feed-in tariffs for Development Tidal Arrays
28 (Matter No. 05092).
- 29 • Nova Scotia Power Annual Capital Expenditure Plan for 2015 (Matter No.
30 06514).
- 31 • The Board’s review of the proposed 2016–2018 DSM Plan and energy-
32 efficiency supply agreement between EfficiencyOne and Nova Scotia Power
33 (M06733).
- 34 • The Renewable-to-Retail ratesetting proceeding (M06214).
- 35 • The Board’s review of Nova Scotia Power’s 2016 Annual Capital Expenditure
36 Plan (M07176).
- 37 • The Board’s review of Nova Scotia Power’s 2017 Annual Capital Expenditure
38 Plan (M07745).

39 I have also assisted the Consumer Advocate in preparing comments in the
40 Board’s reviews of Nova Scotia Power’s Nuttby, Digby, and Point Tupper wind
41 project proposals (Matters Nos. 02195, 02763 and 02983), Nova Scotia Power’s
42 Renewable Energy Tax and Accounting Depreciation (Matter No. 03795), the
43 Capital Expenditure Justification Criteria review (Matter No. 04600), the
44 Renewable RFP (Matter No. 04838), the 2014 NS Power Integrated Resource Plan

1 (Matter No. 05522), Port Hawkesbury Paper Load Retention Tariff Report (Matter
2 No. 05803), cases related to the NS Power transmission required to support exports
3 to New Brunswick following operation of the Maritime Link (Matter Nos. 06525
4 and 06660), and the on-going stakeholder process on NS Power's 2014 cost
5 allocation update (Matter No. 06555).

6 II. Introduction and Summary

7 Q: On whose behalf are you testifying?

8 A: My testimony is sponsored by the Nova Scotia Consumer Advocate.

9 Q: What is the purpose of your testimony?

10 A: I review aspects of the supporting documentation filed by Nova Scotia Power, Inc.
11 (NS Power) in its application for approval of an AMI Pilot program (CI# 47124) in
12 the amount of \$8.3 million, to support full deployment that NS Power expects to
13 cost between \$120 and \$150 million (NSUARB IR-9). The pilot would involve
14 installation of a limited number of meters and supporting communication
15 equipment. Stated goals of the AMI Pilot are supported by the deliverables; and
16 whether the deliverables provide confirmed costs and benefits for the AMI full
17 deployment business case; and evaluate whether NS Power has justified the need
18 for an AMI pilot program.

19 Specifically, my testimony addresses the following topic areas:

- 20 • Whether NS Power has demonstrated that the pilot is likely to lead to a cost-
21 effective full deployment.
- 22 • Whether NS Power has designed the pilot to adequately support the analysis
23 of full deployment.
- 24 • Whether the pilot is designed even to meet NS Power's stated project
25 objectives.
- 26 • Whether the pilot can be effective, given NS Power's proposed deployment
27 plan and timeline.
- 28 • The effect on NS Power's procurement process, including an ongoing request
29 for proposals (RFP) of combining that effort with AMI procurement by other
30 Emera subsidiaries.
- 31 • The dependability of NS Power's estimate of benefits from full AMI
32 deployment.

33 I also address the additional AMI-related efforts in NS Power's ACE 2017
34 application. NS Power has not shown that it has coordinated related projects to
35 minimize the risk of incompatibilities, stranded costs and unnecessary future
36 expenditures.

37 Q: Please briefly describe NS Power's request in the present proceeding?

38 A: In this Matter No. M07767, NS Power is requesting a total budget of \$8.27 million
39 to deploy an advanced metering infrastructure ("AMI") Pilot. The pilot would
40 include deploying advanced meters to as many as 1,000 participants, as well as the
41 communication network to connect the meters to NS Power's data system, May,
42 2017 to August, 2017 (UARB IR-3). The meters would be deployed across varying

1 types of installation environments, such as rural, urban and other combinations (CA
2 IR-19).

3 NS Power also expects that the pilot would test customer engagement with a
4 newly developed web portal providing prior-day energy-usage information and bill
5 alerts for roughly 100 customers (CA IR-23).¹ NS Power also expects to test
6 automated bill alerts to interested pilot participants. And finally, NS Power says that
7 it will use the findings from the AMI pilot to develop the full AMI deployment to
8 be filed in September, 2017.

9 **Q: What is NS Power’s rationale for undertaking the AMI pilot?**

10 **A:** The explanation in the application is generally quite vague.

11 We are transforming Nova Scotia Power (NS Power, Company) into a 21st
12 Century utility that is more responsive to the needs and expectations of our
13 customers. Customers have told us they want cleaner energy, they want tools to
14 help them use electricity more efficiently, and they want faster outage
15 restorations.

16 ...[Renewable energy] progress has positioned us to work on the customer-
17 facing priorities of Nova Scotia families and businesses. The Advanced Meter
18 Infrastructure (AMI) Pilot Project is an important first step toward achieving
19 those priorities.

20 ... AMI technology will provide our customers with more information about
21 their electricity use. It will enable greater customer choice and give customers
22 more control over how they use electricity. The AMI system will provide data
23 that will help us achieve faster outage restoration times.

24 In short, customers will receive a better product and better service. It will be a
25 better customer experience. ... cost savings resulting from the implementation
26 of AMI technology will drive affordability and reduce rate pressure in 2020
27 and going forward.

28 ... This system will include the technology and secure network infrastructure
29 we will need to continue to manage the power grid in a reliable, safe and cost-
30 effective manner as the grid evolves, while at the same time providing
31 customers with more control and options to use electricity more efficiently.
32 (Application, p. 3)²

¹ NS Power describes the data as being available in “near real-time,” but acknowledges that the data is likely to be posted on the web site with a one-day lag.

² Many of these assertions are repeated in NSUARB IR-19.

1 Many of these claims (e.g., the first two paragraphs from page 3) are
2 untestable sweeping generalities. Only a couple of these assertions are clearly
3 supported in the Application. The AMI technology will provide customers with
4 information about when they used energy, and service restoration following some
5 types of outages is likely to be faster.³ Other important claims are speculative. NS
6 Power has not demonstrated that AMI will “enable greater customer choice and
7 give customers more control over how they use electricity... and options to use
8 electricity more efficiently.” NS Power does not explain what additional choices,
9 control and options customers will be given, what additional programs would be
10 needed, or how much those might cost. Nor has NS Power provided any
11 computation of AMI’s rate effect for 2020.

12 NS Power also describes the AMI system as an “Innovation Engine” that
13 would “serve as a platform for new initiatives like distribution automation, net
14 metering, energy storage, electric vehicles and new rate designs.” (Application at 7)
15 NS Power has not described the initiatives it expects to pursue in these areas.
16 Without new rate designs, the AMI system will do nothing to encourage net
17 metering, energy storage, or electric vehicles. NS Power has not even listed the
18 aspects of the distribution system that it proposes to automate using the AMI data.⁴

19 While the Application does not mention it, Emera is in the process of
20 procuring AMI equipment for all of its North American electric utilities (Tampa
21 Electric, Emera Maine, and NS Power) through a combined solicitation with New
22 Brunswick Power, with the stated hope of sharing the costs of the procurement
23 process (CA IR-22). The timing of NS Power’s AMI implementation may have
24 been influenced by the schedules in other jurisdictions and the interests of Emera’s
25 shareholders, rather than NS Power customers. I discuss procurement goals in
26 Section IV.

27 **Q: Has NSPI presented an economic analysis of a full AMI deployment system to**
28 **justify performing the pilot?**

29 **A:** The Application provides a very high-level summary of ranges of estimated costs
30 (aggregated to five categories) and benefits (aggregated to three categories) (Table
31 5). NS Power has provided more disaggregated point estimates of 16 cost categories
32 and 20 benefit categories in CA IR-67 (tab AnnualLook).⁵ Since these estimates

³ Specifically, after a major storm, the AMI system should allow NS Power to determine whether repairing a transmission line or feeder has restored all customers, or whether some customers are still out, due to outages further down the distribution system.

⁴ In CA IR-67, NS Power appears to be treating AMI as displacing other costs of distribution automation, rather than providing additional services. It is difficult to divine the meaning of some of NS Power’s benefit categories

⁵ The Summary tab of the CA IR-67 workbook combines these into eight cost categories and fifteen benefit categories, which are further condensed to the categories for Table 5 of the Application.

1 were only provided on discovery, the parties have not had an opportunity to ask NS
2 Power about the development of the multitude of underlying assumptions.

3 In addition to the general problem of inadequate explanation of the inputs to
4 the analysis, NS Power's cost-benefit analysis does not account for revenue
5 requirements, particularly equity return and associated taxes, which are reflected in
6 the ACE economic analyses.⁶

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8 **Q: What net benefits did NS Power estimate for full AMI system deployment?**

9 A: The "preliminary economic analysis" estimates net benefits between \$2 million and
10 \$53 million, present-valued over 20 years.⁷ The low end of this range is only about
11 1% of NS Power's cost estimate, so even small changes in costs or benefits would
12 make the program uneconomic. NS Power says that it will provide a detailed
13 economic analysis for full deployment when it files the full AMI deployment
14 project in September, 2017. (NSUARB IR-12, Synapse IR-13). As I discuss below,
15 it is not clear that NS Power will have any useful local data in time to affect that
16 filing.

17 **Q: Does the AMI Pilot include any spending to date?**

18 A: Yes. NS Power has spent \$2.13 million to date (Synapse IR-2a). Roughly half of
19 the spending has been for consulting services and another 40% has spent on internal
20 labour and administrative overhead (Synapse IR-2c). According to the Synapse IR-
21 17 Attachment 1, NS Power released an RFP in October 2016 to select vendors and
22 technology for both the pilot and the full AMI deployment. The RFP process NS
23 power has undertaken is a very involved process and is part of a larger of a
24 collaborative effort with other Emera utilities and New Brunswick Power (which
25 NS Power calls the "Consortium." The consortium has completed the RFP and is
26 currently finalizing vendor selection (Synapse IR-3). According to NS power it is
27 currently in the process of testing two meter types that are under consideration for
28 the pilot in a lab environment. I will discuss the RFP effort in detail in Section
29 III.A.⁸

30 **Q: Please summarize your conclusions and recommendations.**

31 A: My conclusions are as follows:

- 32 • The proposed pilot will not achieve NS Power's stated goals or adequately
33 support decisions regarding the full deployment.

⁶ Unlike the smaller projects in the ACE filings, the very large AMI procurement will definitely require additional Administrative and Overhead costs, as well as additional capital for AFUDC. It is not clear whether NS Power has included those in the costs of the project.

⁷ NS Power has not explained how it estimated this range from the point estimates in CA IR-67.

⁸ It is not clear what portion of the pilot spending is related to development of the RFP.

- 1 • The application as filed is incomplete, in that it fails to provide the documentation
2 necessary to establish that full deployment is likely to be beneficial.
- 3 • The timing of the Consortium RFP is inconsistent with the purpose of the pilot,
4 which should inform the procurement process for full deployment.
- 5 I recommend that the Board reject the NS Power’s proposal and require that
6 NS Power submit a new application for the AMI pilot, providing:
- 7 • The information necessary to determine that a full AMI deployment is likely
8 to be cost-effective.
- 9 • A clear explanation of the status of the procurement process and the cost
10 allocation among consortium members.
- 11 • A demonstration that the pilot will provide the information necessary to
12 inform full AMI deployment.
- 13 • An explanation of the interaction between the RFP for the pilot project and
14 the commitment to the full deployment.
- 15 • An explanation of how the AMI projects will interact and integrate with the
16 information-technology projects in the ACE filing and the Enterprise
17 Resource Program filing.

18 **III. AMI Pilot Plan**

19 **Q: What issues will you address in this section?**

20 A: I provide a general discussion of pilot design including the general purpose of pilot
21 programs. I will then address NS Power’s stated goals for the proposed pilot and
22 whether the project deliverables support these goals. I also address how the
23 deliverables will be achieved, including comment on NSPI’s level of consumer
24 engagement, plans for testing and validation.

25 **A. Pilot Design**

26 **Q: What is the general purpose of pilot projects?**

27 A: The fundamental purpose in undertaking a pilot program is to manage risk. Pilots
28 are used to test assumptions, confirm capabilities and compare alternatives on a
29 limited scale. A well-designed pilot will provide information to determine whether
30 full-scale implementation is desirable, and if so, to guide and shape implementation
31 at full scale.

32 **Q: When is implementation of a pilot project warranted?**

33 A: A pilot project is appropriate where (1) a larger project appears to be desirable (e.g.,
34 cost-effective) but (2) uncertainty remains regarding desirability of the larger
35 project and/or the best means of implementing that project. Full development of a
36 pilot project typically includes the following stages:

- 37 • Identification of opportunity: Is the expected value of full implementation
38 beneficial?

- 1 • Definition of need for the pilot: Is the full program’s desirability uncertain?
2 What aspects of implementation need to be tested before full-scale
3 commitment?
- 4 • Development of pilot research objectives: What questions need to be answered
5 during and after the pilot to decide on full implementation and to facilitate the
6 deployment and operation of the larger project. What must be measured, how
7 will it be measured, when will the testing occur, how will the evaluations be
8 conducted?
- 9 • Pilot implementation and information gathering.
- 10 • Review of the pilot results: Did the pilot provide the additional information
11 needed to support decisions regarding full deployment?
- 12 • Assessment of project continuation: Should full implementation proceed, given
13 the predictions of costs, benefits and performance derived from the pilot tests?
14 And if so, how should it proceed?
15 After completion of the pilot-based re-evaluation, decision-makers can
16 determine whether to approve the larger project.

17 **Q: Has NS Power presented a full pilot program design and justification?**

18 A: No. NS Power’s identification of an opportunity for cost-effective AMI deployment
19 is incomplete and poorly documented. NS Power has provided minimal definition
20 of need for the pilot and of its objectives; the pilot will not address most of the
21 questions relevant to full deployment. It is unlikely that even the limited results of
22 the pilot would be available in time to inform the filing for full deployment. And
23 NS Power is proceeding with contracting for equipment for the full deployment
24 without the results of pilot.

25 **Q: Has NS Power provided a detailed pilot program plan?**

26 A: Only in the most general manner. The application describes three phases,
27 commencing May 2017 and ending September 2017. In Phase 1, NS Power would
28 set up a meter lab and network/meter testing facility and application of AMI to test
29 collection of load-research data. In Phase 2, NS Power would install the meters and
30 communication network and launch a “prototype” customer web portal. NS Power
31 has divided Phase 3 into two components. Phase 3a would deploy some meters and
32 some network equipment, to “test network and meter functionality, customer web
33 portal, and customer education and communication.” Phase 3b would “test and
34 validate customer engagement capabilities including bill alerts”. (Application at 14–
35 15)

36 In Synapse IR-13, NS Power provides a rough timeline for the project, calling
37 for the meters to be installed in June and July and the justification for full
38 deployment to be filed in September. It is not clear how much NS Power believes it
39 can learn from meters installed in July to inform an application in September.

40 **B. Goals and Objectives**

41 **Q: How does NS Power describe the goal of the AMI Pilot?**

42 A: Specifically, “The goal of the AMI Pilot is to gather information, and prepare for
43 the broader [AMI] rollout” (Application at 4). NS Power has claimed that

1 completion of the pilot will provide enough information to develop a full scale AMI
2 deployment, “with a full assessment of the benefits, costs and resource required to
3 rollout a full, province-wide AMI meter program” (Application, Appendix C at 3).
4 NS Power expects to file the application for the full AMI deployment at the end of
5 the pilot under CI# 50343, with an expected cost of \$120–\$150 million over a
6 three-year period. (Application at 11).

7 NS Power also claims that “This pilot project is based on the learnings of
8 other utilities and provides a direct opportunity for feedback on a project that is
9 highly dependent on customer interaction and engagement. It represents the most
10 cost effective approach to full deployment planning that lowers overall project risk
11 and presents the greatest opportunity for project success to customers. Conducting
12 this pilot project now will allow the Company to identify future opportunities to
13 provide customers with advanced products and services like peak pricing, load
14 shifting discounts and tools that allow the residential customers to enhance their
15 knowledge of energy use.” (NSUARB IR-19) As I explain below, the pilot is not
16 designed to provide much feedback “on customer interaction and engagement,” to
17 reduce many of the existing components of risk to project cost-effectiveness, or to
18 “identify future opportunities.”

19 **Q: What AMI Pilot objectives has NS Power identified?**

20 A: NS Power has identified the following objectives: (Application at 5)

- 21 • Deploying 1,000 AMI meters.⁹
- 22 • Developing a customer experience and communication plan based on customer
23 feedback from the AMI pilot participants
- 24 • Developing an operational plan to deploy AMI meters to all customers.
- 25 • Conducting an economic analysis for a full AMI deployment with confirmed costs
26 and benefits.

27 I discuss each of these objectives in the following four subsection sections.

28 *1. AMI Meter Deployment*

29 **Q: Has NS Power been consistent in describing its plans for installation of AMI
30 meters?**

31 A: No. It is not clear whether NS Power plans to deploy 1,000 meters or whether its
32 schedule will allow for deployment of that many meters between the time that
33 meters are delivered (which will be after the vendor is selected and meters are
34 ordered) and time that the evaluation results need to be written up. In CA IR-23, NS
35 Power indicates that it will license software for the AMI and meter-data
36 management systems for only 100 pilot participants.

37 The actual number of meters installed may not be an important part of the
38 pilot, since NS Power must know how much it costs to replace one meter body with

⁹ The application states that up to 1,000 meters will be deployed (Application at 4 and elsewhere), while discovery responses indicate only 100 meters will be licensed (CA IR-23a)

1 another. Determining the cost of installing the communications hardware is more
2 important; it is not clear how many communications nodes NS Power is planning to
3 install in the pilot.

4 2. *Customer Experience and Communication Plan*

5 **Q: How much testing would the AMI pilot provide for NS Power’s plans for**
6 **communication with customers and optimization of their experience with the**
7 **AMI system?**

8 A: Not much. The NS Power pilot would provide limited customer engagement to
9 roughly 100 participants,¹⁰ consisting of (1) bill inserts with more detailed usage
10 information and (2) access to a web portal that will provide hourly loads for the
11 prior 24 hour period (Synapse IR-15).¹¹

12 The pilot would not implement or test any customer communication or
13 experience regarding any other AMI functionality such as time-varying rates, AMI-
14 enabled load management, or home area network devices that can interact with
15 appliances and provide an on-line interface to customers. Consumer feedback
16 would be limited to initial reactions to the web portal and bill alerts.¹² Customers
17 would receive at most one bill insert (assuming that NS Power continues bimonthly
18 billing) before NS Power would need to prepare the application for full
19 implementation. It is unlikely that many of the 100 customers will be able to make
20 informed consumption decisions and test usage effects in this time frame. And NS
21 Power will get no information on longer-term effects. The same communication
22 tools may become more effective as customers learn to use them, or less effective
23 as the novelty wears off.

24 It is unclear how such limited testing will allow NS Power to validate or
25 improve its communication plan.

26 3. *Operational Plan for Full Deployment*

27 **Q: How would the pilot facilitate NS Power’s development of a plan for full AMI**
28 **deployment?**

¹⁰ NS Power only plans to license AMI / MDM software for 100 participants (CA IR-23)..

¹¹ “NS Power does not currently plan on deploying HAN devices that support ‘real-time’ usage” (Synapse IR-15).

¹² An AMI system is not required for interval meter reads and improved usage information. The graphic displays in Application Appendix A, Figures 1 and 2, do not require AMI (although they would require monthly billing).

1 A: That question is very difficult to answer, since NSPI has not defined the scope of
2 the operational plan. For example, it is not clear whether this plan would be limited
3 only to meter and data-management deployment, or whether it will include
4 functions that will not be tested as part of this pilot (e.g., conservation voltage
5 reduction, remote connect/dis-connect capabilities, time-varying rates, two-way
6 communication). The information from the pilot will be limited to the meters and
7 the network hardware actually used in the pilot. The AMI pilot could provide useful
8 information regarding the testing, handling and installation of the AMI meters, as
9 well as a variety of communication network configurations required for the AMI
10 meters. It may also allow NS Power to test its handling of daily uploads of interval
11 usage data; since those data will be processed manually, the experience may be of
12 limited usefulness in rolling out the full implementation.
13 NS Power has not explained how it would resolve all the other uncertainties in
14 its economic analysis of AMI deployment.

15 4. *Economic Analysis*

16 **Q: What inputs to the economic analysis should NS Power verify and improve**
17 **prior to committing to a broader AMI deployment?**

18 A: There are at least a dozen categories of inputs that need to be confirmed or
19 corrected:
20 1. The costs of the AMI meters, the communications system, the data-
21 management system that would convert the raw meter readings into billing
22 data, and other utility-side investments to operate the basic AMI system.
23 Some of these estimate can be refined from the pilot, and others may be
24 firmed up through the RFP and contracting process.
25 2. The useful lives of the meters and communication equipment. NS Power
26 asserts that the meters will have useful lives of 20 years (Synapse IR-20), but
27 the economic analysis appears to assume that the meters have an average life
28 of 200 years, and the communication equipment, 100 years.¹³ The Maryland
29 utilities (PEPCo, Delmarva, and Baltimore G&E) have assumed meter lives of
30 about ten years. Increasing the costs of AMI meter replacements could easily
31 wipe out NS Power's estimated savings from the program. The pilot will not
32 provide any information about the useful life of the equipment, not even
33 whether it can survive a Nova Scotia winter.
34 3. The costs and benefits of implementing conservation voltage reduction. The
35 pilot will not be addressing these issues.
36 4. Theft reduction, which will not be addressed in the pilot.
37 5. The frequency and cost of avoided truck rolls for single-customer events. NS
38 Power does not define these events, but NS Power may be referring to
39 situations in which a customer believes that the distribution system has failed,

¹³ NS Power does not appear to include any installation costs for replacing failed AMI meters.

- 1 but power is still being received at the meter, indicating that the problem is a
2 blown fuse or breaker on the customer side of the meter. NS Power has not
3 provided any derivation for its assumed annual benefit at full deployment, and
4 the pilot will not test the effectiveness of the meters for this purpose.
- 5 6. Storm restoration efficiencies, which would need to be estimated from
6 detailed analysis of previous storm restoration efforts and modeling of
7 reduced travel time due to better work-flow organization (while recognizing
8 that crews may not be able to finish resolving outages affecting one or a few
9 customers, before being pulled away to deal with larger problems, such as
10 downed feeders affecting hundreds of customers). NS Power has not indicated
11 how it estimated these savings.
- 12 7. Reduced write-offs, which probably cannot be measured from the small
13 sample and short timeframe of the pilot. NS Power has not indicated how it
14 estimated the percentage reduction in write-offs due to the AMI system, or
15 even how it believes that the AMI system would reduce write-offs.
- 16 8. Customer response to bill alerts, which NS Power says would “notify
17 customers when they are close to their budget or another customer-defined
18 billing indicator” (Application at 7). NS Power has not provided any evidence
19 that customers will react more to a billing alert in the middle of a month than
20 they do to the bill at the end of the billing cycle. In addition, NS Power
21 assumes the same response for energy and winter peak-load hours.
- 22 9. Staff reductions in NS Power’s call center and billing operations. NS Power
23 has not explained why the billing data from the AMI system will require less
24 labour than data from meter readers, or why the AMI billing and bill inserts
25 will lead to fewer customer questions and not more.
- 26 10. The effects of “load balancing,” which appears (from the BC Hydro materials
27 provided in CA IR-31, Attachment 1) to mean comparing the metered loads at
28 both ends of a feeder—the substation and the customer meters—to identify
29 feeders with high losses or theft. NS Power counts theft elsewhere and does
30 not document its estimate of the losses avoidable by detection and correction
31 of high-loss feeders.¹⁴ NS Power does not count the costs of reconductoring
32 or other measures to reduce losses. This technique will not be addressed in the
33 pilot.
- 34 11. The number of two-way meters that would be needed in the absence of AMI.
35 NS Power assumes an enormous surge in net-metering installations in the
36 middle of the next decade, without explanation. Not amenable to resolution
37 through the pilot.
- 38 12. Customer acceptance of something NS Power calls “E-billing.” It is not clear
39 what this activity is, or why it requires AMI, but NS Power could implement
40 email billing and automatic direct debit features without AMI. Not addressed
41 in the pilot.
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¹⁴ That reduction percentage is computed as the product of two factors (one of which is presented to six significant figures), without any explanation of the factors or their derivation.

1 The pilot would not do much to confirm anything other than the initial cost of
2 meter installation (which is probably the value that NS Power knows most
3 accurately) and some communications costs. The results of the RFP may confirm or
4 correct other assumptions, such as meter costs. NS Power has not been forthcoming
5 with the Board regarding its cost-benefit methodology or assumptions in this
6 proceeding. The Board should not approve NS Power's AMI project until the
7 source, use and meaning of all the assumptions and computations are clear, along
8 with NS Power's plan to improve its analysis.

9 **Q: What benefits does NS Power claim the pilot will provide?**

10 A: NS Power identified several outputs from the AMI pilot that it says will be used as
11 "Cost/Benefit Input for Business Case for Full Deployment" (Synapse IR-13). It is
12 not always easy to determine what NS Power is talking about, or how these inputs
13 would be used in the business case. The supposed outputs from the pilot to the cost-
14 effectiveness analysis are listed below, with my comments:

- 15 • Validation of costs to inform and engage customers. By this, NS Power
16 apparently means the costs of building the web portal (which would be a sunk
17 cost by the end of the pilot), telling customers that the portal exists, and
18 producing the bill inserts with some usage data. It is not clear whether NS
19 Power intends to measure the extent to which customers are actually informed
20 or engaged. Nor is it clear how the costs of communicating with up to 1,000
21 customers can be extrapolated to 500,000 customers.
- 22 • Validation of customer benefits. NS Power does not define this term, but it may
23 be limited to the effect of bill alerts on consumption. It is unlikely that any
24 customer benefits could be identified from the limited data that would be
25 available for a very limited period of time, especially in the absence of any
26 customer-oriented incentives.
- 27 • Technology selection through RFPs. The RFP processes have started and would
28 proceed prior to the pilot (some of the equipment selected in the RFPs would be
29 used in the pilot), and they are not dependent on the pilot.
- 30 • Validation of business processes. It is not clear what this means, but some of the
31 data management would be performed manually in the pilot and will not inform
32 the analysis for full implementation.
- 33 • Validation of technology sourced through the RFP process. NS Power will be
34 able to test whether the equipment works, at least for a couple of months in the
35 summer.
- 36 • Validation of operational benefits. This category dominates NS Power's
37 projection of AMI benefits. NS Power lists a large number of operational
38 benefits in CA IR-67, but has no plans to test them in the pilot, other than
39 remote meter reading. The pilot will not provide information on conservation
40 voltage reduction, remote disconnection and reconnection, load balancing, call-
41 center usage, theft detection, E-bill savings, or write-offs; is unlikely to provide
42 any information on storm restoration or avoided truck rolls; and cannot address
43 the costs of avoided net meters and distribution line sensors.

44 Unfortunately, the project that has been proposed is little more than a meter-
45 system testing pilot.

1 **Q: What will the pilot test and evaluate?**

2 A. I am not sure exactly what NSPI intends to test as part of the pilot. NS Power has
 3 provided varying answers to that question. According to the Application (Appendix
 4 B, at 2), the AMI Pilot will “validate” the functionality of the features I summarize
 5 in Table 1, which where I include the associated benefit and whether the it is
 6 included in the AMI Pilot based on additional information provided through
 7 discovery.

8 **Table 1: NSP Proposed Benefit Testing in Pilot**

AMI features	Benefit	Validated in AMI Pilot ?	AMI Pilot detail
Daily automated meter reading	Improved efficiency in data collection	Partial	Meter usage information will be automatically uploaded but not integrated with billing system. Billing will be manual.
Hourly or sub-hourly interval data	Nearly real-time insight into customer's energy usage	Limited	In the pilot, customers are likely to see their loads the next day
Remote disconnect and reconnect	Reduce labour and time for service orders	No	Not tested in the pilot
Real time power alarms	Faster outage assessment and increased reliability	No	Not tested in the pilot
Power status checks	Improved outage restoration response time and avoided truck rolls	No	Not tested in the pilot
Voltage events/measurement	Improved power quality and asset optimization	No	Not tested in the pilot
Remote system upgrades	Remote updates with minimal impact to customer	Unknown	NS Power does not specify
Proactive alarms	Increase endpoint intelligence on theft, temperature and power quality ¹⁵	Partial	Power theft insight will be tested against manual reads. There is no mention of temperature. Power quality is mentioned but no plan exists
Home Area Network	Enables communication that supports in home devices and appliances	No	The meters will have HAN communication capabilities but no HANS will be tested
Net Metering	Provides granular energy import/export	No	This will not be tested as part of the pilot

¹⁵ It is not clear what temperature data the meters will be recording and relaying: ambient for explaining load change, or meter temperature to detect overheating problems.

	measurements for on-site generation	necessary renewable		
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2 **Q: Has NS Power provided any detailed plans as how it will test any of the above**
3 **functionalities?**

4 A: NS Power has deferred the majority of testing and validation specifics to the
5 various RFPs that Emera and New Brunswick Power are currently administering.
6 NS Power will test the remote meter reading system by continuing manual reads on
7 the AMI meters, to compare with the remote meter reading (Synapse IR-1d). NS
8 Power will also assess customer satisfaction through surveys and outreach
9 activities.

10 **Q: Is the proposed AMI pilot budget aligned with meeting NSPI’s stated**
11 **objectives?**

12 A: No. I have identified several areas of concern with the proposed pilot in meeting
13 each of its stated goals.

14 **IV. Procurement Process**

15 **Q: How is NS Power planning to select the equipment and vendors for the AMI**
16 **pilot and roll-out.**

17 A: NSPI is part of a consortium that also includes New Brunswick Power Corporation,
18 Emera Maine, and Tampa Electric Company. The consortium members hope to
19 reduce costs by participating in a larger buying pool, but the RFP does not require
20 that the same technology be selected for each utility. The RFP is expected to be
21 awarded in February of 2017.

22 In the full roll-out, NS Power intends to use the same meter and network
23 communication systems as in the pilot, or upgraded versions by the same vendor
24 (Synapse IR-17). Hence, the pilot is not likely to affect the choice of the AMI
25 meters or communications systems.

26 **V. ACE 2017 Projects Potentially Related to AMI**

27 **Q: What additional projects in NS Power’s 2017 Annual Capital Expenditure**
28 **plan are related to the AMI projects??**

29 A: A large number of projects in the 2017 ACE are related to information technology
30 (IT) investments, as summarized in **Error! Reference source not found..** The AMI
31 project will depend on the computers, storage, and communications in NS Power’s
32 IT infrastructure, as well as some software features (such as security). The AMI
33 data will also need to interface with other software, to convert meter readings to
34 bills, signals to system operators (e.g., for outages and voltage control), and other
35 useful outputs.

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Table 2: Information-Technology Projects, ACE 2017

Project Description	CI#	2017 (\$M)	Project Total (\$M)
Advanced Metering Infrastructure	50343	\$11.4	\$111.7
Advanced Metering Infrastructure - Pilot	47124	\$5.8	\$8.3
Backbone Communications System Upgrade	46552	\$2.2	\$8.5
Consolidated Customer Web Portal	50112	\$0.8	\$0.8
Customer Billing Experience Improvements	48238	\$0.1	\$0.5
Customer Support System Enhancement	50115	\$0.3	\$0.3
IT - Work & Asset Management	46075	\$8.0	\$28.0
IT - CIS High Availability	49953	\$0.4	\$0.4
IT - Data loss Prevention	49601	\$1.2	\$1.2
IT - Disaster Recovery	49480	\$1.3	\$1.5
IT - Enterprise Resource Plan (ERP)	44671	\$54.4	\$89.7
IT - Identity Access Management Infrastructure	49094	\$1.5	\$1.7
IT - Internal Vulnerability Assessment	49602	\$0.2	\$0.2
IT - ITSM Replacement	49856	\$0.3	\$0.3
IT - Lotus Notes/Oracle Applications Replacement	46073	\$0.1	\$0.8
IT - Microsoft Exchange Upgrade	49858	\$1.5	\$1.5
IT - Network Architecture Redesign	49600	\$1.0	\$1.2
IT - Next Generation Firewall	47477	\$0.4	\$3.1
IT - NSPI Infrastructure Routine	29114	\$1.8	\$1.8
IT - Outage Communication Improvement	48254	\$0.7	\$1.9
IT - Patch Management	49603	\$0.5	\$0.5
IT - PI System Upgrade	49861	\$0.7	\$0.8
IT - Security Enhancements	48635	\$0.1	\$0.8
IT - Security Operations Center and Security Information Event Monitoring	49093	\$2.2	\$2.5
IT - Sharepoint Upgrade	49860	\$2.0	\$4.0
IT - Storage Infrastructure Upgrade	49857	\$0.9	\$5.0
IT - VOIP Expansion to NSPI sites	48773	\$1.4	\$1.5
IT - Windows Server 2008 Upgrade	49859	\$0.2	\$2.1
IT - Contact Centre Telephony Infrastructure	49043	\$0.7	\$2.5
Windows 10 Migration Project	49855	\$1.8	\$2.0
TOTAL	48188	\$103.6	\$285.0

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4 **Q: Do you have any concerns about the relationship among these projects?**

5 A: Yes. It is not clear how well NS Power is coordinating related projects, raising
6 concerns about lost opportunities, unnecessary overlap, and potentially stranded
7 assets.

8 **Q: What do you recommend regarding the relationships among NS Power's
9 proposed IT AMI or AMI related investments?**

10 A: I hope that NS Power will be able to address these issues in its reply evidence in the
11 ACE proceeding. If NS Power cannot demonstrate that it has properly considered
12 the interactions and synergies among these projects, the Board should remain alert

1 in future years for evidence that NS Power is seeking recovery of costs arising from
2 inefficiencies, redundancies, and inconsistencies in its AMI strategy, or the lack of
3 a coherent master plan.

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

5 A: Yes.

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Austin City Council, Austin Energy Rates, March to June 2012.

Puerto Rico Energy Commission, Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority, rate design issues, September 2015 to present.

EXPERT TESTIMONY

1. **Mass. EFSC 78-12/MDPU 19494**, Phase I; Boston Edison 1978 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. June 12 1978.

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

2. **Mass. EFSC 78-17**, Northeast Utilities 1978 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. September 29 1978.

Specification of economic/demographic and industrial models, appliance efficiency, commercial model structure and estimation.

3. **Mass. EFSC 78-33**, Eastern Utilities Associates 1978 forecast; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 27 1978.

Household size, appliance efficiency, appliance penetration, price elasticity, commercial forecast, industrial trending, peak demand forecast.

4. **Mass. DPU 19494**, Phase II; Boston Edison Company construction program; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 1 1979.

Review of numerous aspects of the 1978 demand forecasts of nine New England electric utilities, constituting 92% of projected regional demand growth, and of the NEPOOL demand forecast. Joint testimony with Susan Geller.

5. **Mass. DPU 19494**, Phase II; Boston Edison Company construction program; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 1 1979.

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

6. **U.S. ASLB NRC 50-471**, Pilgrim Unit 2; Commonwealth of Massachusetts. June 29 1979.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

21. **N.H. PSC DE 81-312**, Public Service of New Hampshire supply and demand; Conservation Law Foundation et al. October 8 1982.

Conservation program design, ratemaking, and effectiveness. Cost of power from Seabrook nuclear plant, including construction cost and duration, capacity factor, O&M, replacements, insurance, and decommissioning.

22. **Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1983 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General. October 1982.

Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates, surplus flow, tax flows, tax rates, and risk premium.

23. **Ill. CC 82-0026**, Commonwealth Edison rate case; Illinois Attorney General. October 15 1982.

Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for nuclear plant. Nuclear cost parameters (construction cost, O&M, capital additions, useful life, capacity factor), risks, discount rates, evaluation techniques.

24. **N.M. PSC 1794**, Public Service of New Mexico application for certification; New Mexico Attorney General. May 10 1983.

Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for transmission line. Review of electricity price forecast, nuclear capacity factors, load forecast. Critique of company ratemaking proposals; development of alternative ratemaking proposal.

25. **Conn. DPUC 830301**, United Illuminating rate case; Connecticut Consumers Counsel. June 17 1983.

Cost of Seabrook nuclear power plants, including construction cost and duration, capacity factor, O&M, capital additions, insurance and decommissioning.

26. **Mass. DPU 1509**, Boston Edison plant performance standards; Massachusetts Attorney General. July 15 1983.

Critique of company approach and statistical analysis; regression model of nuclear capacity factor; proposals for standards and for standard-setting methodologies.

- 27. Mass. Division of Insurance**, hearing to fix and establish 1984 automobile-insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General. October 1983.

Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates.

- 28. Conn. DPUC 83-07-15**, Connecticut Light and Power rate case; Alloy Foundry. October 3 1983.

Industrial rate design. Marginal and embedded costs; classification of generation, transmission, and distribution expenses; demand versus energy charges.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Profit-margin calculations, including methodology and implementation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Construction schedule and cost of completing Millstone Unit 3.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 76. Boston Housing Authority Court 05099**, Gallivan Boulevard Task Force vs. Boston Housing Authority, et al.; Boston Housing Authority. June 16 1989.

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

- 77. Mass. DPU 89-100**, Boston Edison rate case; Massachusetts Energy Office. June 30 1989.

Prudence of BECo’s decision to spend \$400 million from 1986–88 on returning the Pilgrim nuclear power plant to service. Projections of nuclear capacity factors, O&M, capital additions, and overhead. Review of decommissioning cost, tax effect of abandonment, replacement power cost, and plant useful life estimates. Requirements for prudence and used-and-useful analyses.

- 78. Mass. DPU 88-123**, petition of Riverside Steam and Electric Company; Riverside Steam and Electric. July 24 1989. Rebuttal, October 3 1989.

Reasonableness of Northeast Utilities’ 1987 avoided cost estimates. Projections of nuclear capacity factors, economy purchases, and power plant operating life. Treatment of avoidable energy and capacity costs and of off-system sales. Expected versus reference fuel prices.

- 79. Mass. DPU 89-72**, Statewide Towing Association police-ordered towing rates; Massachusetts Automobile Rating Bureau. September 13 1989.

Review of study supporting proposed increase in towing rates. Critique of study sample and methodology. Comparison to competitive rates. Supply of towing services. Effects of joint products and joint sales on profitability of police-ordered towing. Joint testimony with I. Goodman.

- 80. Vt. PSB 5330**, application of Vermont utilities for approval of a firm power and energy contract with Hydro-Quebec; Conservation Law Foundation, Vermont Natural Resources Council, Vermont Public Interest Research Group. December 19 1989. Surrebuttal February 6 1990.

Analysis of a proposed 450-MW, 20-year purchase of Hydro-Quebec power by twenty-four Vermont utilities. Comparison to efficiency investment in Vermont, including potential for efficiency savings. Analysis of Vermont electric energy supply. Identification of possible improvements to proposed contract.

Critique of conservation potential analysis. Planning risk of large supply additions. Valuation of environmental externalities.

- 81. Mass. DPU 89-239**, inclusion of externalities in energy-supply planning, acquisition, and dispatch for Massachusetts utilities. December 1989; April 1990; May 1990.

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

- 82. California PUC**, incorporation of environmental externalities in utility planning and pricing; Coalition of Energy Efficient and Renewable Technologies. February 21 1990.

Approaches for valuing externalities for inclusion in setting power purchase rates. Effect of uncertainty on assessing externality values.

- 83. Ill. CC 90-0038**, proceeding to adopt a least-cost electric-energy plan for Commonwealth Edison Company; City of Chicago. May 25 1990. Joint rebuttal testimony with David Birr, August 14 1990.

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

- 84. Md. PSC 8278**, adequacy of Baltimore Gas & Electric's integrated resource plan; Maryland Office of People's Counsel. September 18 1990.

Rationale for demand-side management. BG&E's problems in approach to DSM planning. Potential for cost-effective conservation. Valuation of environmental externalities. Recommendations for short-term DSM program priorities.

- 85. Ind. URC**, integrated-resource-planning docket; Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor. November 1 1990.

Integrated resource planning process and methodology, including externalities and screening tools. Incentives, screening, and evaluation of demand-side management. Potential of resource bidding in Indiana.

- 86. Mass. DPU 89-141, 90-73, 90-141, 90-194, 90-270**; preliminary review of utility treatment of environmental externalities in October qualifying-facilities filings; Boston Gas Company. November 5 1990.

Generic and specific problems in Massachusetts utilities' RFPs with regard to externality valuation requirements. Recommendations for corrections.

- 87. Mass. EFSC 90-12/90-12A**, adequacy of Boston Edison proposal to build combined-cycle plant; Conservation Law Foundation. December 14 1990.

Problems in Boston Edison's treatment of demand-side management, supply option analysis, and resource planning. Recommendations of mitigation options.

- 88. Maine PUC 90-286**, adequacy of conservation program of Bangor Hydro Electric; Penobscot River Coalition. February 19 1991.

Role of utility-sponsored DSM in least-cost planning. Bangor Hydro's potential for cost-effective conservation. Problems with Bangor Hydro's assumptions about customer investment in energy efficiency measures.

- 89. Va. SCC PUE900070**, Order establishing commission investigation; Southern Environmental Law Center. March 6 1991.

Role of utilities in promoting energy efficiency. Least-cost planning objectives of and resource acquisition guidelines for DSM. Ratemaking considerations for DSM investments.

- 90. Mass. DPU 90-261-A**, economics and role of fuel-switching in the DSM program of the Massachusetts Electric Company; Boston Gas Company. April 17 1991.

Role of fuel-switching in utility DSM programs and specifically in Massachusetts Electric's. Establishing comparable avoided costs and comparison of electric and gas system costs. Updated externality values.

- 91. Private arbitration**, Massachusetts Refusetech Contractual Request for Adjustment to Service Fee; Massachusetts Refusetech. May 13 1991.

NEPCo rates for power purchases from the New England Solid Waste Compact plant. Fuel price and avoided cost projections vs. realities.

- 92. Vt. PSB 5491**, cost-effectiveness of Central Vermont's commitment to Hydro Quebec purchases; Conservation Law Foundation. July 19 1991.

Changes in load forecasts and resale markets since approval of HQ purchases. Effect of HQ purchase on DSM.

- 93. S.C. PSC 91-216-E**, cost recovery of Duke Power's DSM expenditures; South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs. Direct, September 13 1991; Surrebuttal October 2 1991.

Problems with conservation plans of Duke Power, including load building, cream skimming, and inappropriate rate designs.

- 94. Md. PSC 8241 Phase II**, review of Baltimore Gas & Electric's avoided costs; Maryland Office of People's Counsel. September 19 1991.

Development of direct avoided costs for DSM. Problems with BG&E's avoided costs and DSM screening. Incorporation of environmental externalities.

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ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS

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