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Question:

(Double Time) For all contracts provided in the Response to OCC-44 above, please indicate how many contain double time provisions.

Response:

Consistent with industry pay scales, all of the 95 contracts provided in OCC-044, Attachment 1 contain premium rate structures including emergency multipliers or premium rates. Of those 95 contracts, only 31 use the nomenclature "double-time" to refer to premium rates, which is generally limited to work performed on Sundays and holidays.

These premium rate structures are necessary because these contractors operate in a highly competitive regional market where specialized, qualified labor must be secured and rapidly mobilized for non-standard operational needs. Premium multiplier are the industry standard, denoting the rates necessary to ensure availability, incentivize rapid emergency response, maintain parity with industry bargaining standards and ensure the safe, timely restoration of the utility service.