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Witness: Ann Bulkley
Request from: ALLCO

Question:

With respect to the proxy group used in the Company's return-on-equity analysis: (a) produce the screening criteria and all workpapers used to select the proxy group, in native (Excel) format with formulas intact; (b) state, for each proxy company, whether it has revenue decoupling, a storm-cost tracker or rider, a multi-year rate plan, and an earnings sharing mechanism, identifying the source for each answer; and (c) provide the results of each of the Company's return-on-equity models recomputed excluding those proxy companies that lack revenue decoupling, and separately excluding those that lack a storm-cost tracker or rider.

Response:

a. Please refer to Ms. Bulkley's direct testimony at Section VII for a discussion of the business risks reviewed in her analyses. Also refer to Exhibit CLP-ROE-9 for a review of the mechanisms that have been compared between CL&P and the proxy group companies in Ms. Bulkley's evaluation of business risk. Also refer to the Company's response to information request OCC-365[i], specifically OCC-365 Attachments 10 through 24.

b. Please refer to Ms. Bulkley's direct testimony at Section IX for the factors considered by Ms. Bulkley in determining that the Company's requested ROE was reasonable and appropriate. Ms. Bulkley did not establish a specific adjustment for each risk factor discussed but rather established her range taking into consideration the range of model results and other business risks. The Company established its requested ROE at the low end of Ms. Bulkley's range.

c. The proxy group data is used to establish the range of cost of equity model results presented in Figures 1 and 13 of Ms. Bulkley's testimony. Please refer to the Company's response to information request ALLCO-046[ii], part (b), for a reference to how Ms. Bulkley established the appropriate range for CL&P's ROE.

Prior Referenced Responses:

[i] OCC-365 Question:

Workpapers. Please provide all workpapers the Company utilized in preparing its schedules, if not previously filed with PURA. Provide the workpapers in electronic format, with all formulas and calculations intact.

OCC-365 Response:

Please refer to the Attachments listed below for the requested workpapers:

- OCC-365, Attachment 1, for workpapers used in the preparation of Exhibit CLP-RATES-2.
- OCC-365, Attachment 2 through OCC-365, Attachment 9, for workpapers used in the preparation of Exhibit CLP-DEPRECIATION-3 and CLP-DEPRECIATION-4.
- OCC-365, Attachment 10, for excel versions of Exhibit CLP-ROE-2 through CLP-ROE-12 with formulas and calculations intact. For all supporting workpapers to Exhibit CLP-ROE-2 through CLP-ROE-12, refer to OCC-365, Attachment 10 through 24.
- OCC-365, Attachment 25 and 26, for the workpapers to Exhibit CLP-ACOS-2.
- OCC-365, Attachment 27 through OCC-365, Attachment 37, for the workpapers to Exhibit CLP-MCOS-2.

[ii] ALLCO-046 Question:

For each mechanism proposed or continued in this Application that reduces the variability of the Company's revenues, cash flows, or cost recovery — including revenue decoupling, the proposed Storm Cost Recovery Adjustment Factor rider, the proposed multi-year rate plan, the proposed earnings sharing mechanism with no downside exposure, and each other rate adjustment mechanism or tracker — (a) identify where, if anywhere, the Company's return-on-equity analysis quantifies the risk-reducing effect of that mechanism on the Company's cost of equity; (b) state the basis-point adjustment, if any, attributed to each such mechanism in arriving at the requested 10.25% return on equity; and (c) if no adjustment was made for a mechanism, explain why a return derived from a proxy group is an appropriate estimate for a company whose risk profile the Application simultaneously proposes to reduce.

ALLCO-046 Response:

(a) Please refer to Exhibit CLP-ROE-1 Testimony, Section VII, and Exhibit CLP-ROE-9 for Ms. Bulkley's direct testimony regarding the business risks reviewed in her analyses. As shown in the exhibit, Ms. Bulkley reviewed various mechanisms that have been implemented by operating utilities of the proxy group companies and compared those mechanisms to the mechanisms that have been implemented by CL&P and proposed in this proceeding. Ms. Bulkley did not make any specific adjustments to the ROE for adjustment mechanisms or trackers, but rather reviewed the cost of equity analyses performed; current market conditions; and, the comparison of CL&P's risk to the proxy group companies, in aggregate, and concluded that the Company's requested ROE of 10.25 percent is appropriate.

(b) Please refer to Exhibit CLP-ROE-1 Testimony, Section IX, for Ms. Bulkley's direct testimony regarding factors considered in determining that the Company's requested ROE was reasonable and appropriate. Ms.

Bulkley did not establish a specific adjustment for each risk factor discussed but rather established her range taking into consideration the range of model results, market conditions, and other business risks. The Company established its requested ROE at the low end of Ms. Bulkley's range.

(c) The proxy group data is used to establish the range of cost of equity model results presented in Figures 1 and 13 of Exhibit CLP-ROE-1. Please refer to subparts (a) and (b), above, for reference to how Ms. Bulkley established the appropriate range for CL&P's ROE.