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Witness: Mark P. Baldwin, Clifford G. Williams, Leanne M. Landry and John G. Griffin
Request from: Office of Education, Outreach, and Enforcement

Question:

(MS24F-VENDOR-TRAFFIC) Refer to Exhibit ACCT-2 CLP-6, and Confidential Exhibit ACCT-2 CLP-6A-11, pp. 83-95. The Company reported an incremental charge of $7,027 for the Town of Greenwich for activity on April 3, 2024 (prior to the storm onset). The incremental cost was supported by an invoice (p. 83) and job forms that identified unrelated work order numbers (i.e., WO# 81849159), several charges for standby, and multiple cancellations. Explain how each of the charges were applicable to the MS24F event. As part of the response, identify if the cancellation charges were related to the cancellation of previously scheduled activity and if the hours represented a minimum number due to cancellation. If applicable, cite the contract provisions that permit the billing of hours for the cancellations.

Response:

Referring to ACCT-2 CLP-6 (MS24F), Outside Contractors – Vendors, Line 395, vendor Town of Greenwich, total invoice in the amount of $7,027.

The cancellation of work was the result of the inclement weather conditions associated with this event. While the Company makes every reasonable effort to cancel services that are no longer required, operational and safety considerations may limit its ability to do so in all circumstances. Police officers were initially retained in anticipation that their services could be needed throughout the day. As conditions evolved and it became apparent that certain officers would not be required, those officers were promptly released. Other officers remained on site due to the potential need for their services as work activities and weather conditions continued to be assessed.

Pursuant to the ordinances of the Town of Greenwich, police officer presence is required whenever traffic control is necessary in connection with work activities. Accordingly, officers remained assigned where such requirements could reasonably be anticipated.

In addition, invoices are subject to a rigorous review and approval process designed to ensure that all charges are accurately assigned to the appropriate event. As part of that process, the applicable work orders were reviewed and verified to confirm that the associated work was performed during the dates of this event. This verification included confirmation from internal personnel that the services reflected on the invoices were performed on the specific dates for which recovery is sought.

There are no contracts established with the Town of Greenwich for this service. Pursuant to the Eversource Procurement Manual, purchases issued to or pursuant to federal, state, or municipal government entities or other regulated utilities are not subject to competitive bid requirements. In this instance, Eversource is procuring services directly from a municipal entity acting under its governmental authority and established fee structure, rather than through a negotiated commercial relationship. As a result, a standalone supplier contract is neither required nor customary, and the transaction is processed under the applicable procurement exemption for governmental entities.

Upon further review in drafting this response, the Company identified a clerical error with the cost associated with WO# 81849159, in the amount of $1,360. The Company will supplement ACCT-2 CLP-6 (MS24F), line 395, to reflect the total amount of $5,667.