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Request from: Office of Consumer Counsel

Question:

Outside services. Refer to the response to OCC-315. Provide the amount of outside services reflected in the rate year as originally requested.

Response:

Please refer to the Company's response to OCC-703[i].

Prior Referenced Response:

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[i] OCC-703 Question:

Outside Services. Refer to the response to OCC-315. Provide the Rate Year amount by vendor. Provide support for Rate Year increases (quotes, contracts, invoices) as originally requested.

OCC-703 Response:

There was a system error in filing the original response with PURA. The full response that should have been filed with PURA is:

Please refer to OCC-315, Attachment 1, for O&M Outside Services by vendor for years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025. The Company does not prepare the cost of service by reviewing each line item and the associated contract to support the Rate Year amounts as there are millions of line items entries within the Company's general ledger. The Company has bucketed its costs into the standard filing requirements schedules and adjusted the Test Year expenses for either known and measurable changes, or by the GDP-PI based on historical trends.

The Company has provided the contracts associated with outside services in the Company's responses to EOE-005, OCC-044, and EOE-014.