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Question:

Contingencies.

a. Identify the percentage and dollar amount of contingencies included in the rate year plant in service.
b. Provide an explanation of the Company's use of contingencies, (including supporting calculations and documents).

Response:

(a) There are no "contingency" amounts included in Rate Year plant-in-service in the Company's revenue requirement. The amounts included in the Rate Year plant-in-service in this case are estimates of the plant additions that would be placed in service over the Rate Year period. The cost of plant-in-service would not include contingency amounts and, rather, represent the actual cost of the plant additions, as completed. Please refer to Exhibit CLP-ADDITIONS-4 for all projects and their associated project authorization forms provided in Exhibit CLP-ADDITIONS-6.

(b) In the course of the budgeting process for capital *expenditures* (as opposed to "plant-in-service"), the Company may use contingencies in instances of complex projects, based on historical experience with other similar projects, and for projects not yet designed or bid out. When utilized in the budgeting process, there is not one standardized percentage or dollar amount set companywide as project size, scope and complexity vary across each organization. However, once a project is completed and becomes "plant-in-service," there is no longer a contingency amount included in the final project cost because the cost is an actual cost incurred.