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Request from: Office of Consumer Counsel

Question:

Payroll. Refer to the responses to OCC-322 and OCC-325. Explain why the 6/2026 CLP and EESCO FTEs have declined from 12/31/2025 amounts.

Response:

The Company is unclear of the conclusion drawn by this question that CL&P and ESC FTEs have declined from 12/31/2025 to 6/30/2026. To clarify, the Company is providing the table below which shows that the Service Company ("EESCO") FTEs increased 75 FTEs and CL&P FTEs decreased from December 31, 2025 to June 2026. The change in CL&Ps FTEs during the first half of 2026 is primarily driven by 30 retirements, 16 terminations and 20 new hires. Please refer to the table below for FTE comparison.

	December 31, 2025	June 30, 2026	Change in FTEs
Source	OCC-322	OCC-325	
CL&P FTEs	1,417	1,401	(16)
EESCO FTEs	4,493	4,568	75
Total FTEs	5,910	5,969	59