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Question:

(VEGETATION MANAGEMENT) Exhibit CLP-VMP-1, p. 40. Does the Company currently have any multi-year vegetation management contracts that were in place for the last trimming cycle? If so provide.

Response:

In reference to Exhibit CLP-VMP-1, on page 40, the Company indicates that there are longer-term concerns with the workforce in the Utility Vegetation Management field due to the lack of seasoned and skilled tree crews. Multi-year full-service contracts provide the vendors and their workers with predictable available work over the four-year contract term and that certainty assists the vendors in retaining crews and providing competitive pricing. The Company has multi-year vegetation management contracts in places for the last trimming cycle (2023-2026). Please refer to OCC-044, Attachment 2:

Vendor	**Contract Number**	**Citation**
Asplundh Tree Expert Co.	CW2302015	OCC-044, Attachment 2, Page 355
Lewis Tree Services	CW2302093	OCC-044, Attachment 2, Page 3215
Lucas Tree Experts	CW2302214	OCC-044, Attachment 2, Page 3367