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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-6, pp. 150-170. The Company reported an incremental charge of $16,352 for the Extra Duty Solutions vendor. Respond to the following:

a. Identify the specific charges (i.e., line items) within the invoice that were allocated to the MS24F storm event.
b. Explain why the invoice includes multiple line items referenced as Storm Standby for police officers. As part of the response, explain if the Company is required to stage police officers for storm events. If required, provide or cite the applicable requirements.
c. The invoice includes multiple references to "Job Cancelled." Identify the total charges for cancellations applicable to the MS24F event, as well as the charges applicable to other activities. Explain why the Company was required to incur charges for cancellations and identify the minimum amount of time that would have prevented charges for cancellations.

Response:

Referring to Exhibit ACCT-2 (CLP-6) (MS24F), Outside Line Contractors, at Line 173, Extra Duty Solutions, in the amount of $16,352.

a. Please refer to EOE-296, Attachment 1, for a breakdown of costs and reference pages within Confidential Exhibit ACCT-2 CLP-6A-6. Upon further review of the charges, the Company determined that a portion of the costs was not associated with the MS24F event. Accordingly, the Company will supplement Exhibit ACCT-2 (CLP-6) (MS24F) to revise line 173 and reflect the adjusted total of $14,656.

b. The City of Stamford requires the Company to hire police for traffic control. As the Stamford Area Work Center (AWC) performs work in Stamford on a daily basis, they have a standing request for two police details every day. As the weather event was not forecasted to impact the area until later in the day on April 3, 2024, the police detail was retained in the event the weather held off long enough to get planned work accomplished. On the morning of April 3, 2024, however, precipitation occurred prior to the full onset of the storm event. Due to the safety hazards associated with working on energized electrical equipment during precipitation, Linemen and Cable Splicers are contractually prohibited

from performing non-emergency work while precipitation is occurring. Thus, at this point, the determination was made that the crews would be unable to perform routine, scheduled work and the police detail was released.

c. Had the police detail been canceled the day prior and the weather subsequently held off, the Company may not have been able to secure a replacement police detail and, as a result, may have been unable to perform the planned work in Stamford. The Company is not required to pre-stage Stamford Police for traffic control, however, prior to commencing any restoration work, the Company must retain police details. This can delay restoration efforts by an hour or more. In the interest of expediting restoration and serving customers, the Company decided, based on the best information available at the time the decision was made, to retain the police detail ahead of time.

Of the total cancellation costs identified, **$3,648** was attributable to the MS24 event, while **$1,216** related to cancellations that occurred outside the MS24 event period. The Company is required to adhere to applicable local municipal ordinances and requirements governing work within each municipality. Eversource is also committed to maintaining strong working relationships with the municipalities it serves and honoring their established policies and procedures. Accordingly, when work is cancelled or rescheduled in accordance with municipal requirements, associated cancellation charges may be unavoidable.