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Response to OCC-1
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Spare Parts) Provide an itemized list of what is contained in GB II's Spare Parts Inventory.

RESPONSE:

See attached Exhibit OCC-1.

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Response to OCC-2
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Spare Parts) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Exhibits MB-3 through MB-8 spreadsheet, tab MB-4p2, row 14. How does GB II calculate the "*Annual Rate on (Over)/Under Collection*"; explain the inputs. As applicable, provide all formulae relied on.

RESPONSE:

Similar to prior AFRRs, the rate is established by the applicable FERC Interest Rate, which can be found here: https://www.ferc.gov/interest-calculation-rates-and-methodology.

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Response to OCC-3
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Regulatory Fees) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Exhibits MB-3 through MB-8 spreadsheet, tab MB-7p1 and p2. What is the regulatory operating compliance fee listed on tab MB-7p1 and MB-7p2? Which regulatory entity is the fee associated with and how is it estimated?

RESPONSE:

The regulatory operating compliance fee is for mandatory North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") testing requirements. It is estimated based on historical expenses.

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Response to OCC-4
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Variable O&M) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Exhibit GB II-3 spreadsheet. Provide support for the 2025 actual Variable O&M Expenses incurred.

RESPONSE:

In the Criteria Decision, the Authority states that "energy and variable O&M will be trued up to actual costs at the time of the next annual proceeding." Criteria Decision p. 27. The Monthly Variable Revenue Requirement ("MVRR") calculation in the CfD is made up of five pieces. Two of the pieces are Fuel (the lesser of actual or target fuel cost) and Emissions (the lesser of actual or target emissions cost). The other three pieces are VOMe, which is a charge per megawatt hour, VOMh, which is a charge per operating hour, and VOMs, which is a charge per start.

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Response to OCC-5
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Plant in Service) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Exhibit GB II-2 spreadsheet, tab Schedule B-2.1, row 31: Miscellaneous Equipment. What is the Miscellaneous Equipment?

RESPONSE:

See Note (8) on tab 'WP B-2.1'. The 'Miscellaneous Equipment' includes the 2015 addition of a Simulator ($226k) and the 2024 Turbine Control Upgrade ($843k).

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Response to OCC-6
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Cash Working Capital) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Exhibit GB II-2 spreadsheet, tab Schedule B.4.0. Provide support for why GB II assumes 1/8 of operation & maintenance expenses is the appropriate cash working capital number.

RESPONSE:

The Company proposed in the first AFRR the use of the 1/8 convention (also known as the 45-day rule or formula method) for cash working capital, which was approved by the Authority. *See* Docket No. 12-07-17, Final Decision dated January 8, 2013 page 6. The Company has consistently used this method in each subsequent AFRR.

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Response to OCC-7
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Book Life) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Exhibit GB II-2 spreadsheet, tab WP C-2.1, Notes section. Provide support for the assumed book lives. Did GB II utilize the 1994 NARUC Public Utility Depreciation Practices when determining the book lives?

RESPONSE:

Per the Criteria Decision (p. 29), depreciation expense associated with the capital expenditures required to bring the Facility to commercial operation was determined on a straight-line basis over 30 years, commencing with the COD. The depreciation expense and book lives for all post-COD projects was determined individually upon approval by the Authority.

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Response to OCC-8
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Interconnection) Is GB II requesting recovery of interconnection fees related to maintenance?

RESPONSE:

The Company has reached out to United Illuminating ("UI") regarding interconnection fees and is awaiting response. The Company will update its response to OCC-8 once it receives feedback from UI.

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Response to OCC-9
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Interconnection) When did GB II stop recovery of interconnection fees related to maintenance?

RESPONSE:

The Company has reached out to United Illuminating ("UI") regarding interconnection fees and is awaiting response. The Company will update its response to OCC-9 once it receives feedback from UI.

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Response to OCC-10
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(CPI-U Regional) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Bruneau Testimony pages 25 and 26. Provide support for the CPI-U Regional percentages listed in the table.

RESPONSE:

See attached Exhibit OCC-10.

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Response to OCC-11
Witness: Michael Bruneau

QUESTION:

(Credit Rating) Provide the parent company's latest available credit rating and impact associated with the change, if any, include credit reports if available.

RESPONSE:

Credit rating remains BBB-; see attached Exhibit OCC-11 for the most recent report.

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Response to OCC-12
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Procurement) Provide, or describe in detail, the procurement procedures for procuring assets or services from vendors.

RESPONSE:

See attached Exhibit OCC-12 for the Company's Procurement Policies & Procedures document.

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Response to OCC-13
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Procurement) With respect to the proposed new gas compressor transformer, how was the $865,000 price from Rizzo Electric evaluated for reasonableness? What specific cost components are included in the Rizzo proposal (labor, equipment handling, testing, contingency, etc.)?

RESPONSE:

This vendor was selected based on a combination of relevant site experience, technical expertise, and demonstrated capability to execute the work safely and effectively. The turnkey proposal covers the complete replacement of the failed transformer, including disconnection, oil removal, rigging, and environmentally compliant disposal. The contractor will provide a like-kind replacement transformer and perform installation, terminations, testing, and commissioning.

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Response to OCC-14
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Procurement) Were other vendors solicited for this replacement? If so, how many and what were their quotes/bids?

RESPONSE:

Other vendors were contacted to provide quotations for the replacement transformer, which represents the majority of the project cost. Due to the timing of the decision and the extended lead times associated with procuring a replacement unit, the decision was made to proceed with Rizzo. Additionally, the rigging and testing subcontractors utilized by Rizzo have historically provided more competitive pricing than other regional contractors.

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Response to OCC-15
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Lead Time) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Reynolds Testimony page 3. Why did GB II select a vendor with a lead time of 62 weeks?

RESPONSE:

Transformer lead times remain a widespread industry challenge and Rizzo submitted the most competitive unit pricing among the available options. Efforts are currently underway with Rizzo Electric to expedite the delivery schedule of the selected transformer.

If GB II were to proceed with an alternative supplier offering a differently configured transformer, an engineering evaluation would be required to identify the modifications necessary to accommodate the new design. This would increase the overall project cost due to potential changes to the foundation, bus work, cable terminations, containment systems, and other associated infrastructure.

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Response to OCC-16
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Rizzo Electric) Provide all support for how GB II made the decision to select Rizzo Electric.

RESPONSE:

GB II selected Rizzo Electric based upon its professional reputation and GB II's satisfactory experience utilizing Rizzo Electric for other projects at the Facility. Additionally, Rizzo offers an in-kind replacement of the existing equipment, limiting project complexity and continuity with the original Facility design. GB II expects that replacing the transformer with an exact-type unit will limit the risk of unforeseen complications in integrating alternative equipment – leading to additional delays and cost.

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Response to OCC-17
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Rizzo Electric) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Reynolds Testimony page 3 and Docket # 25-06-03 Interrogatory Response Exhibit OCC-2 spreadsheet. Is GB II aware that Rizzo Electric is the most expensive and has the longest lead time to complete the project of all new options listed? If yes, why were they selected?

RESPONSE:

Rizzo Electric presented one of the lower costs for a replacement transformer, with its cost of approximately $424,000. Rizzo Electric was selected based upon its proposal utilizing an exact replacement for the existing transformer, limiting project complexity and risk, and Rizzo Electric's history of performing satisfactory work for GB II at the Facility.

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Response to OCC-19
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Rizzo Electric) Referring to GB II 2027 AFRR – Reynolds Testimony page 3 and Docket # 25-06-03 Interrogatory Response Exhibit RRU-29. Please state when GB II first identified Rizzo Electric as a potential contractor for the transformer replacement project. If Rizzo Electric was under consideration during preparation of the New Transformer Replacement Plan, please explain why Rizzo Electric was not identified or discussed in that Plan.

RESPONSE:

GB II continued to solicit proposals throughout the duration of 2025. Rizzo was identified as a potential contractor in October 2025, shortly after preparation of the New Transformer Replacement Plan.

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Response to OCC-20
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Rizzo Electric) Please identify any current or prior business, financial, contractual, or other relationships between GB II and Rizzo Electric. If any such relationships exist, please describe their nature and duration.

RESPONSE:

Rizzo is strictly a third-party vendor, there is no affiliate relationship between Rizzo Electric and GB II. Rizzo Electric has consistently delivered safe, cost-effective support to the New Haven site for over 20 years. Most recently, Rizzo Electric played a key role in removing and installing several large 4160V motors at the New Haven site. Rizzo Electric is also a critical partner during outages, supporting all phases of work.

During the Spring Outage at the New Haven site, Rizzo Electric assisted with rigging, installation, and the termination/determination of sump pumps. This work was completed safely and ahead of schedule.

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Response to OCC-21
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Rizzo Electric) Please state whether GB II identified or discussed Rizzo Electric in Docket No. 25-06-03, *GB II New Haven, LLC Application to Establish 2026 Revenue Requirements*. If so, please identify each filing, testimony, exhibit, or other document in which Rizzo Electric was referenced and describe the context of the reference.

RESPONSE:

Rizzo Electric was not identified or discussed in Docket No. 25-06-03. GB II continued to solicit new proposals throughout the duration of 2025 after the submission of testimony in Docket No 25-06-03. The Rizzo Electric proposal was therefore not included in the materials submitted in Docket No. 25-06-03.

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Response to OCC-22
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Gas Compressor replacement) What contingency plans exist if the Fortune Electric unit delivery is delayed beyond Q4 2027?

RESPONSE:

The contract contains a liquidated damages clause to compensate GB II in case of delays and to discourage delayed performance. Because the Facility operates on fuel oil, GB II has not elected to spend additional funds in securing more immediate and temporary backup options. The risk of project delays exists with any contractor, however GB II believes Rizzo Electric provides the lowest risk of delays due to GB II's track record with Rizzo Electric.

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Response to OCC-23
Witness: Robert Reynolds

QUESTION:

(Gas Compressor replacement) Does the "in-kind replacement" include identical voltage, capacity, and specification, or are any upgrades or modifications being made to the transformer?

RESPONSE:

The transformer replaces the failed unit with an identical model, specifications and configuration.