

**Board Staff Interrogatories
2013 Electricity Distribution Rates
Essex Powerlines Corporation (“EPLC”)
EB-2012-0123**

RTSR Workform

1. Ref: 2013 IRM3 RTSR Work form, sheet 4

- a) Please confirm that the amounts entered into the columns “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh” and “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW” have not been adjusted by EPLC’s Board-approved loss factor.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms that the amounts entered into columns “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kWh” and “Non-Loss Adjusted Metered kW” have not been adjusted by EPLC’s Board Approved loss factor.

IRM Rate Generator

**2. Ref: 2013 IRM3 Rate Generator, sheet 4
Ref: EB-2011-0166 Final Rate Order**

Board staff notes that EPLC appears to have inadvertently reversed the RTSR Connection rate for its GS 50 to 2,999 kW class with the RTSR Network rate for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW Interval Metered class.

- a) Please confirm that the current Board approved RTSR Connection rate for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW class is \$1.7517. If confirmed, Board staff will make the necessary corrections to the models.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms that the RTSR Connection rate for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW class is \$1.7517 and requests that Board Staff make the necessary corrections to the models.

- b) Please confirm that the current Board approved RTSR Network rate for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW Interval Metered class is \$3.0491. If confirmed, Board staff will make the necessary corrections to the models.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms that the RTSR Network rate for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW class is \$3.0491 and requests that Board Staff make the necessary corrections to the models.

**3. Ref: 2013 IRM3 Rate Generator, sheet 4
Ref: EB-2011-0166 Final Rate Order**

Board staff notes that for its GS 50 to 2,999 kW rate class, EPLC has entered an “effective until” date of April 30, 2014 for its Rate Rider for Deferral and Variance Account Disposition (2012). The corresponding date in EPLC’s current approved tariff is April 30, 2013.

- a) Please confirm the current approved “effective until” date for the Deferral and Variance Account Disposition (2012) for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW rate class. If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary corrections to the models.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms that the current approved “effective until” date for the Deferral and Variance Account Disposition (2012) for the GS 50 to 2,999 kW rate class is April 30, 2013 and requests that Board Staff make the necessary corrections in the model.

**4. Ref: 2013 IRM3 Rate Generator, sheet 4
Ref: EB-2011-0166 Final Rate Order**

Board staff notes that EPLC has entered a Low Voltage Service Rate for the Sentinel Lighting class of \$0.2810. The corresponding rate in EPLC’s current approved tariff is \$0.2816.

- a) Please confirm the current approved Low Voltage Service Rate for the Sentinel Lighting class. If this is an error, Board staff will make the necessary corrections to the models.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms that the current approved Low Voltage Service Rate for the Sentinel Lighting class is \$0.2816 and requests that Board Staff make the necessary corrections to the models.

Deferral and Variance Account Balances

**5. Ref: IRM Rate Generator Sheet 5
Ref: EB-2011-0166 Decision and Order**

In its 2011-0166 Decision, the Board approved disposition of EPLC’s Group 1 Deferral Account balances. The decision stated that EPLC was to transfer the

balances of these accounts to Account 1595 as of May 1, 2012. Board staff notes that EPLC shows no entries in Account 1595 in its continuity tables.

- a) Please confirm whether EPLC made the required journal entries to transfer these balances from the Group 1 accounts.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms that the required journal entries to transfer these balances from the Group 1 accounts were done.

- b) Please update the continuity tables to reflect the transfer of the approved balances to Account 1595 and disposition approved for 2012.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC has updated the continuity tables to reflect the transfer of the approved balances to Account 1595

6. **Ref: IRM Rate Generator Sheets 5, 6, 7**
Ref: EB-2011-0166 EPLC Response to Board staff IR #7
Ref: EB-2011-0166 Decision and Order

In EPLC's 2012 IRM proceeding, the Board approved on a final basis the disposition of EPLC's Account 1521 with a final balance of \$10,737 including projected carrying charges to April 30, 2012. The Board also directed that Account 1521 be closed effective May 1, 2012. The calculation of EPLC's Account 1521 balance for disposition was based on the information provided in EPLC's response to Board staff IR #7, as follows:

SPC Assessment (Principal balance)	Amount recovered from customers in 2010	Carrying Charges for 2010	December 31, 2010 Year End Principal Balance	December 31, 2010 Year End Carrying Charges Balance	Amount recovered from customers in 2011	Carrying Charges for 2011	Forecasted December 31, 2011 Year End Principal Balance	Forecasted December 31, 2011 Year End Carrying Charges Balance	Forecasted Carrying Charges for 2012 (Jan.1 to Apr.30)	Total for Disposition (Principal & Interest)
213,435.00	123,648.69	0	89,786.31	0	80,472.90	1,378.84	9,313.41	10,692.25	45.39	10,737.64

In its 2013 application, EPLC has included a balance for disposition in its continuity tables of \$10,313, and has included rate riders in its application to recover this amount. Board staff notes that the entries contained in the continuity table are inconsistent with the information provided by EPLC above.

- a) Please confirm if the inclusion of this balance in Account 1521 is an error.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC confirms the inclusion of the balance in Account 1521 is an error.

- b) If it is not an error, please explain the \$10,313 balance in this account.

Essex Powerlines Response:

Not applicable

- c) Please explain why EPLC did not close Account 1521 as at May 1 2012, as directed by the Board and transfer the balance to Account 1595.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC did not close Account 1521 as at May 1, 2012 in error. EPLC originally asked to not recover this amount and did not take the response into consideration when completing the 1595 transfer. The entries have been completed for 2012.

- d) Please update the information in the continuity table such that recoveries from customers in 2010 and 2011 are included and the balance of \$10,737 approved in 2012 is transferred to Account 1595 recovered from customers in 2012.

Essex Powerlines Response:

EPLC has transferred the balance in Account 1521 to Account 1595 in the continuity schedule.