

Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.
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DOE Data Requests – Tech Session Set 1

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Witness: Christopher Goulding

REQUEST:

DOE requested additional information related to Unitil's Response to DOE's Data Request 1-002. Specifically, DOE requested a description of the work product performed by Concentric and what was added to plant. See Bates page 501 (pdf p.483). DOE expanded that request and asked Unitil to explain what the "misc plant adjustments" are.

RESPONSE:

As explained in the response to DR 1-002, Concentric's work product included work on the design of TOU rates and the ability to implement TOU rates in the Company's meter data management system, MeterSense, as well as its customer information system, EnQuesta. Concentric's work was a foundational building block for the final TOU rates proposal filed in the rate case in DE 21-030. Concentric did not produce a formal written report. Without making any concession as to the legitimacy of the inclusion of these costs, and without prejudice to the Company's rights and potential positions with respect to any other project costs, Unitil is voluntarily removing the Concentric-related costs from the step adjustment.

The miscellaneous plant adjustments are primarily related to employee labor costs that are capitalized as they work on a capital project. Out of the \$308,510.36 of "Misc Plant Adjustments" \$47,081.63 was for the charges associated with Concentric and the remaining \$268,428.73 was for capitalized Unitil employee labor costs for work that was performed on the project. As noted above, Unitil has removed the \$47,081.63 in Concentric-related costs.