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Re: Case 17-E-0238 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules, and Regulations of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid for Electric Service

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Advanced Energy Economy Institute (AEE Institute) hereby submits for filing in the above referenced proceeding direct testimony of Tim Woolf and Melissa Whited on National Grid's Earnings Adjustment Mechanisms proposal.

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Direct Testimony of Tim Woolf & Melissa Whited

On the Topic of Earnings Adjustment Mechanisms

On Behalf of Advanced Energy Economy Institute

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1. INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 2 Q. Please state your name, title, and employer.
- 3 A. Woolf: My name is Tim Woolf. I am a Vice President at Synapse Energy Economics,
- 4 located at 485 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139.
- 5 A. Whited: My name is Melissa Whited. I am a Principal Associate at Synapse Energy
- 6 Economics, located at 485 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139.
- 7 Q. Please describe Synapse Energy Economics.
- 8 Synapse Energy Economics is a research and consulting firm specializing in electricity A. 9 and gas industry regulation, planning, and analysis. Our work covers a range of issues, 10 including economic and technical assessments of demand-side and supply-side energy 11 resources; energy efficiency policies and programs; integrated resource planning; 12 electricity market modeling and assessment; renewable resource technologies and 13 policies; and climate change strategies. Synapse works for a wide range of clients, 14 including state attorneys general, offices of consumer advocates, trade associations, 15 public utility commissions, environmental advocates, the U.S. Environmental Protection 16 Agency (EPA), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), U.S. Department of Justice, the 17 Federal Trade Commission, and the National Association of Regulatory Utility 18 Commissioners. Synapse has over 25 professional staff with extensive experience in the 19 electricity industry.
- 20 Q. Please summarize your professional and educational experience.
- A. Woolf: Before joining Synapse Energy Economics, I was a commissioner at the
 Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) from 2007 through 2011. In that

capacity, I was responsible for overseeing a substantial expansion of clean energy policies, including significantly increased ratepayer-funded energy efficiency programs; an update of the DPU energy efficiency guidelines; the implementation of decoupled rates for electric and gas companies; the promulgation of net metering regulations; review and approval of smart grid pilot programs; and review and approval of long-term contracts for renewable power. I was also responsible for overseeing a variety of other dockets before the Commission, including several electric and gas utility rate cases. Prior to being a commissioner at the Massachusetts DPU, I was employed as the Vice President at Synapse Energy Economics; a Manager at Tellus Institute; the Research Director at the Association for the Conservation of Energy; a Staff Economist at the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities; and a Policy Analyst at the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy Resources. I hold a Masters in Business Administration from Boston University, a Diploma in Economics from the London School of Economics, a BS in Mechanical Engineering and a BA in English from Tufts University. My resume, attached as Exhibit TW-MW-1, presents additional details of my professional and educational experience. A. Whited: I have seven years of experience in economic research and consulting. At Synapse, I have worked extensively on issues related to utility regulatory models, rate design, policies to address distributed energy resources (DER), and market power. In 2015, I was the lead author of a report titled "Utility Performance Incentive Mechanisms: A Handbook for Regulators," and I have presented on performance incentive mechanisms to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, National Governor's Association Learning Lab on New Utility Business Models, Midwest Governors'

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46		Association, and the Minnesota e21 Initiative working group. I have sponsored testimony
47		before the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, the Hawaii Public Utilities
48		Commission, the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Public Service Commission of
49		Utah, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
50		I hold a Master of Arts in Agricultural and Applied Economics and a Master of Science
51		in Environment and Resources, both from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. My
52		resume is attached as Exhibit TW-MW-2.
53	Q.	Please summarize your professional experience regarding the New York Reforming
54		the Energy Vision proceedings and earnings adjustment mechanisms in general.
55	A.	We have participated in the New York REV proceeding in several forums. We prepared a
56		report for Advanced Energy Economy Institute on conducting benefit-cost analyses of
57		distributed energy resources. We helped prepare multiple comments and reply comments
58		on behalf of the Natural Resources Defense Council and others in the proceedings on the
59		Commission's Track One Straw Proposal, the Commission's Benefit-Cost Analysis
60		White Paper, the Commission's Track Two White Paper, and the New York electric
61		utilities' Distribution System Implementation Plans. We also prepared a white paper for
62		multiple parties on the potential for implementing greater amounts of cost-effective

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Synapse Energy Economics, *Benefit Cost Analysis for Distributed Energy Resources: A Framework for Accounting for All Relevant Costs and Benefits*, prepared for Advanced Energy Economy Institute, October 2014, available at: http://www.synapse-energy.com/project/benefit-cost-analysis-distributed-energy-resources

Synapse Energy Economics, *Aiming Higher: Realizing the Full Potential of Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency in New York*, prepared for Natural Resources Defense Council, E4TheFuture, CLEAResult, Lime Energy, Association for Energy Affordability, and Alliance for Clean Energy New York, April 2016, available at: http://www.synapse-energy.com/project/support-ny-rev-track-2-changes-regulatory-designs-and-incentives-structures

64		We have been engaged in several other states in developing performance incentive
65		mechanisms (i.e., earnings adjustment mechanisms), including Hawaii, Massachusetts,
66		New Hampshire, and Rhode Island. We have also prepared a manual for regulators for
67		how to design performance incentive mechanisms, which has been highly utilized
68		throughout many states. ³
69	Q.	On whose behalf are you testifying in this case?
70	A.	We are testifying on behalf of Advanced Energy Economy Institute.
71	Q.	Have you previously testified before the New York Public Service Commission?
72	A.	Woolf: No.
73	A.	Whited: No.
74	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony?
75	A.	The purpose of our testimony is to review and critique the Earnings Adjustment
76		Mechanisms (EAMs) proposed by Niagara Mohawk (Niagara Mohawk or the Company)
77		We discuss the rationale and logic supporting several of the EAMs, describe some of the
78		challenges with setting baselines and measuring EAMs, and offer recommendations for

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how to prioritize the financial incentive offered to the Company through each EAM.

Synapse Energy Economics, *Performance Incentive Mechanisms: A Handbook for Regulators*, prepared for the Western Interstate Energy Board, March 9, 2015, available at: http://www.synapse-energy.com/project/performance-incentives-utilities

2. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

81 Q. Please summarize your primary findings.

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- 82 A. We support many of the EAMs proposed by the Company. However, we identify several
 83 limitations and concerns about some of the EAMs, and we do not agree with the priorities
 84 that the Company has given to some of the EAMs as reflected in the basis points
 85 allocated to them. We also find that three important initiatives and resources are not
 86 sufficiently addressed by the EAMs proposed by Niagara Mohawk, and therefore warrant
 87 their own EAMs.
- 88 Q. Please summarize your primary recommendations.
- 89 A. Our recommendations are summarized as follows:
 - The Commission should reject the proposed Substation Load Factor EAM.
 - The Commission should require Niagara Mohawk to develop a new EAM to encourage the Company to achieve incremental demand savings from its Dynamic Load Management Programs.
 - The Commission should require Niagara Mohawk to develop a new EAM to encourage the Company to enroll customers with electric vehicles on new or revised time-varying rates.
 - The Commission should require Niagara Mohawk to develop a new EAM to encourage the Company to increase the efficiency savings from the NYSERDA energy efficiency programs.

The Commission should require Niagara Mohawk to allocate fewer basis points to
the Annual Peak Reduction, Customer Energy Intensity, Transactional
Conversion Rate, and Customer Engagement Survey EAMs, while allocating
more basis points to the Incremental Energy Efficiency, Customer Participation,
and new EAMs.

3. COMPANY INITIATIVES RELATED TO EAMS

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- Q. Please summarize the initiatives that the Company is undertaking that will affect their EAMs.
- A. The Company is proposing to undertake a variety of initiatives that will affect their ability to earn incentives through the EAMs. These include the following:
 - Energy Storage Projects. The Company will install at least two storage projects to test the effects of battery storage on substation and system peak load.⁴
 - Residential Solar Marketplace. Niagara Mohawk will operate an online marketplace where its customers can obtain information about solar technology and access to a network of local solar providers.⁵
 - Current Demonstration Projects. The Company is currently engaged in four
 demonstration projects, including Fruit Belt Neighborhood Solar (targeting lowto moderate-income residential customers); the Potsdam Community Resilience
 projects (testing a community microgrid); the Distributed System Platform project

⁴ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, pages 9-10.

⁵ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, pages 12-13.

(testing how to engage customer-owned energy resources to manage customer demand); and the Clifton Park Demand Reduction project (seeking to reduce bills and peak demand through infrastructure upgrades and customer engagement).

- New Demonstration Projects. Niagara Mohawk is planning to replace
 Schenectady's existing street lights with LED streetlights, along with the
 capability to provide internet access and other communication capabilities.⁷
- Opnamic Load Management (DLM) Programs. These include: the Direct Load Control Program (which allows the Company to remotely adjust participating residential and small business customers' thermostat and/or appliance settings); the Distribution Load Relief Program (which allows the Company to call for load relief from participating commercial customers to maintain reliability during contingencies and emergencies); and the Commercial System Relief Program (which allows participating commercial customers to contract to provide load relief during declared demand response events).⁸
- Potential Future Offerings. Niagara Mohawk has investigated several initiatives that were not included in the revenue requirement in this rate case, but might be explored or implemented later. This includes three programs to increase the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) and support New York's zero emission vehicles and greenhouse gas emission goals: an EV Charging Host program; a Consumer EV Education program; and an EV Grid Integration program. In

⁶ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, pages 16-20.

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 21.

⁸ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 24.

addition, the Company is investigating an Electric Heat initiative encouraging customers to convert to efficient electric heating technologies and the eThink Innovation Center designed to increase customer awareness of energy savings and promote the development of strategic third-party partnerships.⁹

- Energy Efficiency. The Company offers a portfolio of efficiency programs to residential, small business, commercial, and industrial customers through its Electric and Gas Transition Implementation Plans (ETIP). The Company's current annual budget is \$51.5 million, and it is requesting another \$10.8 million for additional energy efficiency programs and to replace the funding for some efficiency costs that are being moved into base rates. The ETIP programs include the E-Commerce Platform project, which is an online marketplace where customers can shop for energy efficiency and demand response products. The Company is also proposing to add an LED street lighting program to its portfolio of current ETIP efficiency programs.¹⁰
- Q. Why is it useful to summarize these initiatives at the outset of this discussion of EAMs.
- A. The primary goal of EAMs is to encourage a utility to achieve certain outcomes (e.g., enhanced customer empowerment, market animation, system-wide efficiency, fuel and resource diversity, system reliability and resiliency, and reduction of carbon emissions).

 When designing and evaluating EAMs, it is useful to keep in mind how the utility will be

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, pages 28-32.

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, pages 33-40.

able to achieve those outcomes. Understanding the utility actions, programs, or initiatives that can achieve the desired EAM outcomes can help answer important questions such as:

How much control does the utility have over a particular EAM? Which utility initiatives can the utility use to achieve which EAMs? Are there some initiatives that are encouraged by multiple EAMs? Are there some EAMs that can be achieved by multiple initiatives? We will return to some of these questions later in our testimony.

4. SYSTEM EFFICIENCY EAMS

Annual Peak Reduction

Q. Please summarize the Annual Peak Reduction EAM proposed by the Company.

A. The Annual Peak Reduction EAM is designed to encourage the Company to reduce annual distribution system peak demand through a variety of initiatives, including the ETIP efficiency programs, the DLM programs, incremental energy efficiency driven by the E-Commerce Platform, the energy storage projects, grid modernization efforts like the deployment of volt-var optimization ("VVO") technology, and increased penetration of DER.¹¹

The proposed baseline for this EAM is the Company's 2016 weather-normalized system-peak of 6,846 MW.¹² The Company used its energy efficiency, demand response, solar PV, energy storage, and VVO forecasts as a starting point for the target for this EAM,

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 46, lines 1-5.

¹² Corrected baseline provided in response to DPS-022 MZS-3.

and the minimum, mid-point, and maximum targets were designed to exceed the historic performance of the Company in these areas.¹³

Q. Do you have any concerns about the Annual Peak Reduction EAM?

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I have two primary concerns with this EAM. First, there are many factors outside the control of the Company that can affect peak demand. These include, for example, federal efficiency standards; changing consumer preferences for electronic devices; changing adoption rates for distributed solar technologies, electric vehicles, and electric heat pumps; naturally occurring improved efficiency in electronic equipment; and increased customer interest in mitigating carbon emissions. These external factors might make it especially easy, or especially difficult, for the Company to earn financial awards for this EAM.

Second, there are several other EAMs being proposed by the Company that will likely reduce annual peak demand, including the DER Utilization, Incremental Energy Efficiency, Energy Intensity, Demand Response Retention, and Customer Participation EAMs. Since all of these will influence the Annual Peak Reduction EAM, the Company may earn excessive financial awards for certain activities as a result of double-recovery from the EAMs.

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 47, lines 8-13.

Q. Does the fact that the peak demand is influenced by many external factors mean that it is inappropriate as an EAM?

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- 196 A. No, not necessarily. An outcome-based, system-wide efficiency EAM such as the Annual 197 Peak Reduction EAM could lead to benefits that are not offered by the other EAMs 198 proposed by the Company. For example, the Annual Peak Reduction EAM could 199 encourage the Company to support initiatives other than those covered by the EAMs, 200 such as through support for third-party DER developers whose products reduce annual 201 peak demand – an action that might not be directly rewarded by the other EAMs. 202 However, the fact that Annual Peak Reduction EAM is influenced by many external 203 factors does mean that the Commission should be cautious about how many basis points 204 to allocate to it. If this EAM is allocated too large a portion of the basis points, then the 205 Company might be (a) over-rewarded for events and impacts that it was not responsible 206 for, or (b) under-rewarded despite successful actions that it took to address peak demand 207 outside of the other initiatives. Either outcome is inconsistent with the goal of EAMs, and 208 the ultimate REV goals.
 - Q. Does the fact that the Annual Peak Reduction EAM rewards the Company for activities that are covered by other EAMs mean that it is an inappropriate as an EAM?
 - A. No, not necessarily. There may be benefits from allowing the Company to earn multiple rewards for a certain initiative. This is especially true if the initiative provides multiple benefits to customers. For example, the incremental ETIP programs will result in both energy (MWh) and peak demand (MW) savings, but the Incremental Energy Efficiency

EAM will award the Company for only the energy (MWh) savings. In such a case, it may be appropriate to reward the Company under both the Annual Peak Reduction and the Incremental Energy Efficiency EAMs.

However, the fact that the Annual Peak Reduction EAM rewards the Company for activities that are covered by other EAMs is another reason that the Commission should be cautious about how many basis points to allocate to it. If this EAM is allocated too large portion of the basis points, then the Company might be over-rewarded for certain initiatives. Such an outcome would not only be unfair to customers, it also dilutes the total impacts of the EAMs by reducing the rewards available for other utility initiatives and EAMs.

Q. What do you recommend regarding the Annual Peak Reduction EAM?

A. We recommend that the Commission allocate a smaller portion of the basis points to this EAM. Niagara Mohawk currently allocates 30 basis points for this EAM for 2020, which one-third of the total basis points for 2020. The Company has allocated this EAM many more basis points than any of the other EAMs. The EAMs with the closest basis points to this are the DER Utilization and Customer Intensity EAMs, which are allocated 10 basis points each.

Both of our concerns described above, the impact of external factors and the potential for double-recovery, suggest that the Commission should use caution when allocating basis points for this EAM. We recommend allocating a smaller number of basis points for this EAM than the 30 proposed by the Company. We address this recommendation in the context of the other EAMs in section 8 of our testimony.

238 We also recommend that the Commission require Niagara Mohawk to establish a new 239 EAM focused on achieving incremental peak demand savings from its current DLM 240 programs. A new DLM EAM would represent a more direct way to provide the Company 241 with financial incentives for specific programs to achieve the ultimate goal of the Annual 242 Peak Reduction EAM: to reduce peak demand. This new EAM is described below. 243 New: Incremental Demand Response 244 Q. Why do you recommend that the Commission require the Company to establish a 245 new EAM focused on Incremental Demand Response? 246 A. This new EAM would be a program-based EAM to complement the system-wide Annual 247 Peak Reduction EAM. It would provide a direct financial incentive to maximize the 248 benefits of the DLM programs, in the same way that the Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM is designed to maximize the benefits of the ETIP programs. It would be designed to 249 250 address some of the concerns with the Annual Peak Reduction EAM discussed above, by 251 focusing on specific company actions and initiatives, relying on a baseline that is less 252 uncertain and easier to measure and verify, and mitigating some of the risks of the 253 Company over- or under-collecting financial incentives. 254 How would the baseline and the targets for this new EAM be designed? Q. 255 Ideally, the baseline for this EAM would include the demand savings (in MW) forecasted Α. 256 for the Company's DLM programs. The targets would then be based on reasonable

increases in demand savings beyond those forecasts.

We recommend that the baseline and targets for this EAM be developed by the Company in consultation with NYSERDA and other relevant stakeholders. The Company could then provide the Commission with a detailed proposal for an EAM to begin mid-2018.

Substation Load Factor

Q. Please summarize the Substation Load Factor EAM proposed by the Company.

A. The Substation Load Factor EAM is designed to encourage the Company to improve the load factor at seven substations that (a) are currently highly utilized;¹⁴ (b) lend themselves to accepting relatively high levels of DERs and connecting larger customers; and (c) have Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) capabilities for tracking and validating load information. The Company hopes to improve the average load factor at these seven substations by targeting them with demand response, other demand-side management technologies, storage solutions, and distributed solar technologies.¹⁵

The proposed baseline for this EAM is the average 2016 load factor at these seven substations of 48.1%. The improvement targets for this EAM are year-over-year percentage increases in the load factor. The improvement targets proposed by the Company are the equivalent of reducing the peak load at the substations by 3.5 MW (minimum), 6.9 MW (mid-point), and 10.1 MW (maximum). 16

The Company notes that the selected substations have peak forecasts between 90 percent and 100 percent of the summer normal rating in 2017. Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 48, lines 10-12.

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 48, lines 1-16.

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 49, lines 1-17.

Q. Do you have any concerns about the Substation Load Factor EAM?

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Yes. While we agree with applying an EAM to promote more efficient use of substations. we disagree with using load factor as the metric for this purpose. The reduction in peak demand would be a much more direct metric, and would avoid the risk of unintended consequences or increased costs to customers. The load factor is driven by both peak demand and energy consumption. There are many actions that the Company or customers could undertake to *increase* energy consumption near these substations, thereby improving the load factor, without decreasing the peak demand at all. Such an outcome might increase customer costs and increase carbon emissions, without providing the improved system efficiency that the Commission seeks. The best way to make heavily utilized substations (which these seven substations are by definition) more efficient is to reduce their peak demands. Doing so would more clearly lead to reduced costs to customers, is not likely to have the unintended consequence of increased energy consumption, and is not likely to reward the Company for an outcome that is not in customers' interest. The Company states in testimony that "focusing improvements on reducing the peak in these areas is likely to relieve system constraints" (emphasis added), and even provides the peak reduction values (in MW) associated with their proposed load factor improvements. 17 The new Incremental Demand Response EAM that we propose above is a better mechanism for encouraging the Company to

achieve reductions in peak demand at key substations.

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 48, lines 13-14, and page 49, lines 14-17.

Q. What do you recommend regarding the Substation Load Factor EAM?

A. We recommend that the Commission reject the Substation Load Factor EAM proposed by the Company.

Distributed Energy Resource Utilization

Q. Please summarize the DER Utilization EAM proposed by the Company.

A. The DER Utilization EAM is designed to encourage the Company to promote the development of DERS in general throughout its service territory. This EAM does not include the impacts of the Company's demand response activities, nor does it include the impacts of the Company's energy efficiency programs. Instead, it covers the development of technologies such as distributed solar, energy storage, combined heat and power (CHP), fuel cells, and electric vehicles. The Company intends to promote these technologies through collaboration with third parties through initiatives such as the 3Vo upgrade proposal.

The proposed baseline for this EAM is the Company's projections of new installations of distributed solar, CHP, energy storage, fuel cells, and new EVs. The minimum targets for this EAM are equal to the Company's forecasts through 2018, and increase beyond those

development of DERs beyond those forecasts of approximately 59 percent and 129 percent, respectively.²⁰

for 2019 and 2020. 19 The mid-point and maximum targets assume additional

¹⁸ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 50.

¹⁹ Attachment 1 to DPS-379 RAC-8

Attachment 1 to DPS-379 RAC-8, calculated as totals for 2017-2020.

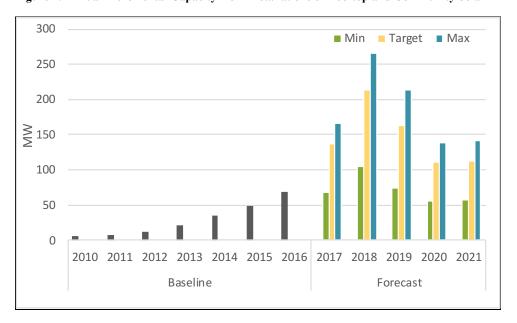
Q. Do you have any concerns about the DER Utilization EAM?

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Yes. While this EAM addresses an important set of resources and is relatively easy to measure and monitor, we are concerned that the Company's targets are not sufficiently ambitious, and are overly driven by performance of one resource – distributed solar.

Approximately 95 percent of the target energy for this EAM is comprised of energy produced by rooftop and community solar photovoltaics (PV).²¹ The Company's targets are based on estimates that show incremental PV installations continuing to rise rapidly through 2018, and then inexplicably slowing in 2019 through 2021. Indeed, the Company's minimum targets show incremental installations declining below current levels.

Figure 1. Annual Incremental Capacity from Installations of Rooftop and Community Solar



²¹ Attachment 1 to DPS-379 RAC-8.

In contrast to the Company's targets, which are based on declining rates of growth for solar PV, more ambitious targets would be based on an increasing rate of growth in a variety of DERs, and provide more emphasis on other DERs, such as CHP and EVs. Electric utilities can have a significant impact on the development of both CHP and EVs, and these resources can help achieve the REV goals of reducing electricity costs and reducing carbon emissions.

Q. What do you recommend regarding the DER Utilization EAM?

A. We recommend that the Commission approve the Company's proposed DER Utilization EAM, but with more aggressive targets. In addition, we recommend that the Commission direct Niagara Mohawk to establish a new EAM designed to encourage the strategic development of electric vehicles. Electric vehicles are likely to have significant impacts on the electricity system in the coming years, and utilities should take actions to maximize the positive impacts and minimize the potential negative impacts of EVs on system utilization. This new EAM is described below.

New: Electric Vehicles

- Q. Why do you recommend that the Commission require the Company to establish a new EAM focused on electric vehicles?
- A. Electric vehicles are expected to have a large impact on the electric grid in the near- to mid-term future. EVs require a significant amount of electricity for charging, either at publicly-available charging stations or at customers' homes and businesses. Electric utilities should plan for and manage the development of EVs, for example by offering time-vary rates to mitigate the impact on local and system peak demand, and by

facilitating the development of charging stations in locations that minimize the costs imposed on the distribution system.

The Company's proposal to include the consumption from EVs in the DER Utilization EAM is an overly simplistic way to address the complexities associated with this resource/technology/consumer product. The DER Utilization EAM simply accounts for the amount of electricity consumption by EVs, but it does not address when or where the consumption occurs—both of which will significantly affect the costs that the EVs impose upon the electricity system. Therefore, it is important to establish an EV EAM that provides the Company with financial incentives to encourage optimal charging and discharging through time-varying rates, or to encourage optimal location of EV charging stations, or both.

Q. What aspect of EV development should be included in the EV EAM at this time?

We recommend that the EV EAM encourage the Company to enroll as many customers as possible on time-varying rates. It is our understanding that Niagara Mohawk has not developed a time-varying rate for EVs, but is likely to be required to do so by Assembly bill A228, which is awaiting the Governor's signature. Additionally, the Commission's Track Two Order²² called for a process to revise current time-of-use rates. Once new or revised rates are approved by the Commission, this EAM could be designed to encourage the Company to enroll as large a portion as possible of the customers with EVs onto these rates.

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²² Order Adopting a Ratemaking and Utility Revenue Model Policy Framework ("Track Two Order"), May 19, 2016. Proceeding 14-M-0101. Page 134.

369	Q.	How would the baseline and the targets for this new EAM be designed?
370	A.	Ideally, the baseline for this EAM would include a forecast of the EV customers that are
371		expected to voluntarily sign up for the EV rate. The targets would then be based on
372		reasonable increases in customer enrollment beyond those forecasts.
373		We recommend that the baseline and targets for this EAM be developed by the Company
374		in consultation with other relevant stakeholders. The Company could then provide the
375		Commission with a detailed proposal for an EAM to begin mid-2018.
376	5. E	NERGY EFFICIENCY EAMS
377	Incre	mental Energy Efficiency
378	Q.	Please summarize the Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM proposed by the
379		Company.
380	A.	The Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM is designed to encourage the Company to
381		exceed the minimum energy savings targets of its ETIP efficiency programs. Niagara
382		Mohawk intends to exceed these targets through collaborative efforts with NYSERDA
383		and local governments, as well as program cost savings through improved performance
384		and market innovations. ²³
385		The baseline for this EAM is ETIP energy savings targets (MWh), as proposed in the

June 2017 ETIP Filing. The minimum target accounts for the energy savings from the

proposed ETIP budgets, plus the energy savings from the proposed LED street lighting

program. The mid-point target is based on the assumption that the Company will be able

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²³ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 53.

to achieve higher efficiency savings through a 20 percent reduction in the cost of saved energy (i.e., the ETIP costs per MWh of efficiency savings). The maximum target is based on the assumption that the Company will be able to achieve a 35 percent reduction in the cost of saved energy.²⁴ Do you have any concerns about the Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM? Q. We do not have any concerns about the design of the Incremental Efficiency EAM. This A. EAM addresses an important set of resources, promotes initiatives that are within the Company's control, is relatively easy to measure and monitor, and poses few risks to customers. However, we are concerned that the Company has not given this EAM sufficient priority in the allocation of basis points for the EAM rewards. Given the importance of these resources, and the fact that there are many actions the Company can take to facilitate their development, we recommend that this EAM be allocated more than the seven basis points that the Company has allocated to it.

Q. What do you recommend regarding the Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM?

A. We recommend that the Commission approve the Company's proposed Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM. We also recommend that the Commission increase the basis points allocated to this EAM. We address this recommendation in the context of the other EAMs in section 8 of our testimony.

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²⁴ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, page 54.

We also recommend that the Commission require the Company to establish a new EAM to provide financial incentives to maximize the benefits available from the NYSERDA efficiency programs targeted to low-income customers and local governments. This is described below.

Further, we recommend that the Commission require the Company to use advanced evaluation, measurement, and verification techniques for measuring efficiency savings, wherever it is cost-effective to do so. This will help support this important EAM, as well as provide useful information for energy efficiency program planning in general.

New: NYSERDA Energy Efficiency

- Q. Why do you recommend that the Commission require the Company to establish a new EAM focused on NYSERDA Energy Efficiency?
- 420 The NYSERDA efficiency programs represent an important component of the efficiency
 420 services offered in the Company's territory, both because of the important customer
 421 sectors served and the potential magnitude of the savings from these customers. It is our
 422 understanding that the savings from the NYSERDA efficiency programs are not included
 423 in the Incremental Energy Efficiency EAM baselines or targets, and thus the Company
 424 does not receive financial incentives to optimize these programs.

A new EAM targeted at this important component of efficiency services could encourage the Company to support the NYSERDA programs by, for example, promoting the NYSERDA program through its ETIP marketing efforts, working with local community services agencies and municipal customers to advance the NYSERDA programs, working directly with NYSERDA to help identify potential customers, and generally

430 ensuring that there are no gaps between the Niagara Mohawk and the NYSERDA 431 efficiency programs. 432 Q. How would the baseline and the targets for this EAM be designed? 433 A. Ideally, the baseline for this EAM would include the efficiency savings (in MWh) 434 forecasted for the NYSERDA efficiency activities within the Niagara Mohawk service 435 territory. The targets would then be based on reasonable increases in efficiency savings 436 beyond those forecasts. 437 We recommend that the baseline and targets for this EAM be developed by the Company 438 in consultation with NYSERDA and other relevant stakeholders. The Company could 439 then provide the Commission with a detailed proposal for an EAM to begin mid-2018. 440 Customer Energy Intensity 441 0. Please summarize the Customer Energy Intensity EAMs proposed by the Company. 442 A. The Customer Energy Intensity EAM is designed to encourage the Company to reduce 443 customer energy intensity in terms of usage per customer. Within this category, the 444 Company has proposed three separate Customer Intensity EAMs, for residential, commercial, and low-income customers. 445 446 The baseline for this EAM was developed by using historical energy intensities (from 447 2010 to 2016) to project future energy intensities (for 2017 to 2020). For each of the three 448 customer groups, the Company projects the rate at which energy intensities are expected 449 to improve in the future years, using econometric sales forecasts. These forecasts project 450 a linear trend, where customer energy intensity is expected to improve each year, (i.e., the 451 of usage-per-customer is expected to be reduced each year). The minimum, mid-point,

and maximum targets were determined by assuming that the Company could make the energy intensities improve faster than was forecast (i.e., could increase the rate of decline in the usage-per-customer).

For residential customers, the minimum target represents a 29 percent improvement in the trendline slope, the mid-point represents a 76 percent improvement, and the maximum target represents a 176 percent improvement. For commercial customers, the minimum target represents a 0.8 percent improvement in the trendline slope, the mid-point represents a 14 percent improvement, and the maximum target represents a 33 percent improvement.²⁵

For low-income customers, there has been a slightly increasing trend in usage per customer in recent years. For this reason, and the need to coordinate with NYSERDA programs, minimum targets were set to represent only modest improvements over 2016 energy intensity, and mid-point targets were set to represent just over 0.5 percent reduction in year-to-year energy intensity.

Q. Do you have any concerns about the Customer Energy Intensity EAMs?

A. Yes, I have several concerns about this EAM. First, electric vehicles and high-efficiency electric heat pumps could lead to higher usage-per-customer levels. These are important types of DERs that can help reduce costs, increase efficiencies, reduce carbon emissions, and offer significant benefits to customers. The Customer Energy Intensity EAM could have the unintended consequence of providing the Company with financial disincentives

²⁵ ECP Testimony, p. 57

472 regarding these resources, or depriving the Company of financial awards for other 473 activities that do improve customer intensity, or both. 474 Second, there are many factors outside the control of the Company that can affect 475 customer energy intensities. These include, for example, federal efficiency standards; 476 changing consumer preferences for electronic devices; changing adoption rates for 477 distributed solar technologies electric vehicles, and electric heat pumps; naturally 478 occurring improved efficiency in electronic equipment; and increased customer interest in 479 mitigating carbon emissions. These external factors might make it especially easy, or 480 especially difficult, for the Company to earn financial awards for this EAM. 481 Third, there are several other EAMs proposed by the Company that will likely reduce 482 customer energy intensities, including the DER Utilization, Incremental Energy 483 Efficiency, and Customer Participation EAMs. Since all of these will influence customer 484 energy intensity, the Company may earn excessive financial awards for certain activities 485 as a result of double-recovery from the EAMs. 486 Fourth, the targets for this EAM appear to be arbitrarily chosen by the Company. The 487 minimum, mid-point, and maximum targets represent increasing rates of decline in the 488 usage per customer, but it is not clear how these rates were decided upon and the 489 Company has not provided any benefit-cost analysis to justify them. 490 What do you recommend regarding the Customer Energy Intensity EAMs? 0. 491 A. We recommend that the Commission approve the Customer Energy Intensity EAMs, 492 given that it has some value as a system efficiency incentive. However, we propose two

important modifications to the Company's proposal. First, the Company remove the

494		impact (in terms of MWh) of EVs and high-efficiency electric heat pumps from the
495		baselines and the targets. Second, the Commission should allocate a smaller portion of
496		the basis points than what was proposed by the Company, given the concerns listed
497		above. We address this recommendation in the context of the other EAMs in section 8 of
498		our testimony.
499	6. II	NTERCONNECTION EAM
500	Q.	Please summarize the interconnection EAM proposed by the Company.
501	A.	The Company has proposed one EAM related to interconnection: a developer satisfaction
502		survey.
503	Q.	Do you have any concerns about the developer satisfaction survey EAM?
504	A.	Not at this time.
505	Q.	What do you recommend regarding the developer satisfaction survey?
506	A.	We recommend that the Commission approve the developer satisfaction EAM. Timely
507		and successful interconnection of DERs does require some attention and resources from
508		the Company, and is an important outcome that will help achieve the Commission's New
509		York REV goals.
510	7. C	USTOMER ENGAGEMENT EAMS
511	Q.	Please summarize the customer engagement EAMs proposed by the Company.
512	A.	The Company has proposed four Customer Engagement EAMs:

13	• Demand Response Retention. This is designed to encourage the Company to keep
14	customers enrolled in demand response programs as long as possible, including
15	all of the Company's demand response programs: Connected Solutions,
16	coolControl, Future Designated Areas, DLRP, and CSRP. ²⁶
17	• Customer Participation. This is designed to encourage the Company to increase

- Customer Participation. This is designed to encourage the Company to increase
 the number of customers either making purchases or enrolling in programs
 through the CEMP, which consists of the E-Commerce Platform; the Residential
 Solar Marketplace; and the Company's DLM programs.
- Transactional Conversion Rate. This is designed to encourage Niagara Mohawk
 to increase the number of purchases that customers make, as a percentage of total
 visits, from the E-Commerce Platform or the Residential Solar Marketplace.
- Customer Survey. This survey will measure satisfaction from customers who make purchases from the E-Commerce and the Residential Solar Marketplace.

Q. Do you have any concerns about the Customer Engagement EAMs?

A. In general, we support the concept of providing guidance and incentives regarding customer engagement in various DER activities. Also, we agree with the Company's proposal to allocate a relatively small share of the basis points to this group of EAMs, reflecting that they are not as high a priority as some of the other EAMs, such as Annual Peak Reduction, DER Utilization, or Incremental Energy Efficiency.

²⁶ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, pages 60-63.

However, we have one primary concern with this group of EAMs related to the allocation of basis points within the group. The Transactional Conversion Rate and the Customer Survey EAMs are allocated most of the basis points in this group of EAMs, yet both are limited to only the E-Commerce Platform and the Residential Solar Marketplace initiatives. The Company is also provided financial incentives for these initiatives through the Annual Peak Reduction, DER Utilization, Incremental Energy Efficiency, Customer Intensity, and Customer Participation EAMs. There is a risk of over-recovery of financial incentive for success from these two initiatives.

More importantly, we believe that the Customer Participation EAM should be given greater priority than the Transactional Conversion Rate and the Customer Survey EAMs, since it also includes participation in DLM programs. The Company should encourage

greater priority than the Transactional Conversion Rate and the Customer Survey EAMs since it also includes participation in DLM programs. The Company should encourage broad participation in all of its DER-related initiatives and programs, and should encourage as many customers as possible to adopt all DERs that meet their needs and help reduce their electricity costs. Widespread customer adoption of DERs is the best way to achieve the REV goals, maximize the potential benefits of DERs, mitigate any cost-shifting that might occur as a result of DERs, and spread the benefits of DERs as broadly as possible around the customer base. For this reason, more emphasis should be placed on the Customer Participation EAM.

Q. What do you recommend regarding the Customer Engagement EAMs?

A. We recommend that the Commission approve the Customer Engagement EAMs, but that the basis points allocated to the Transactional Conversion Rate and the Customer Survey EAMs be reduced, and the basis points for the Customer Participation EAM be increased.

We address this recommendation in the context of the other EAMs in section 8 of our testimony.

8. ALLOCATION OF AWARDS ACROSS EAMS

- Q. What are some of the key criteria to consider when allocating potential financial awards across a set of EAMs?
- 559 A. There are several factors to consider when establishing financial incentives for performance incentive mechanisms. These include:
 - Importance of the outcome. Those initiatives and outcomes that are especially likely to help achieve the commission's REV goals (enhanced customer empowerment, market animation, system-wide efficiency, fuel and resource diversity, system reliability and resiliency, and reduction of carbon emissions) may warrant greater financial incentives than those with less of an impact on those goals.
 - Benefit-cost analyses (BCA). Those initiatives and outcomes that are expected to
 be especially cost-effective might warrant greater financial incentives than those
 that are less cost-effective. Also, any financial incentive should be less than, and
 ideally a reasonable portion of, the net benefit of the initiative or outcome being
 incentivized.
 - Countervailing financial incentives. In general, utilities have a financial incentive
 to make capital investments that will increase their rate base and result in higher
 amounts of authorized profits. DERs can reduce the need for utility capital

investments, and thus potentially reduce utility profits. The EAM financial incentive should be designed to help offset the financial disincentive for DERs.

- Design or structural issues of the EAM. Those EAMs that are well-designed, e.g., in terms of a predictable baseline or an easily measured and verified outcome, might warrant greater financial incentives than those that are less well-designed.
 If an EAM creates risks of unintended consequences, or over/under-recovery by the Company, then those risks can be mitigated by assigning that EAM smaller financial incentives.
- Ability of the utility to control the outcome. Those initiatives and outcomes that are well within the control of the utility might warrant greater financial incentives than those that are not. If an EAM creates risks of unintended consequences, or over/under-recovery by the Company, then those risks can be mitigated by assigning that EAM smaller financial incentives.
- Outside factors that might influence the outcome. Those outcomes that are significantly affected by factors outside the Company's control might warrant fewer financial incentives than those that are not. Again, risks of over- or underrecovery of financial rewards can be mitigated by assigning small financial incentives.
- Double-recovery. If certain initiatives or outcomes are covered by more than one EAM, then those EAMs might warrant relatively small financial incentives. Risks of double-recovery can be mitigated by assigning small financial incentives where double-recovery is possible.

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- A. No. All of the factors listed above should be considered when determining the financial incentives for each EAM.
- Q. Do you have any general concerns about the process used by the Company to allocate basis points across the EAMs?
 - encouraged through the EAMs should play a large role in determining the magnitude of the financial incentive for each EAM. For example, it would be inappropriate to provide a financial incentive for a program, initiative, or outcome that is not cost-effective.

 Similarly, it would be inappropriate to provide a financial incentive that is so large that it mostly or entirely offsets the net economic benefits of an initiative, program, or outcome. Further, it would be inappropriate to award much greater financial incentives to EAMs that are not very cost-effective, relative to smaller financial incentives to EAMs that are very cost-effective.

Yes. As noted above, the cost-effectiveness of the programs, initiatives, and outcomes

However, the Company's BCA for the EAMs is not especially useful for making these determinations about the financial incentives to apply to the EAMs. While the Company provides a BCA for the entire set of EAMs, it does not break the BCA results out by each individual EAM, which is necessary for making decisions on each EAM.²⁷ The Company does provide more detail of its BCA in response to discovery requests, but even this does not provide much of the information needed for making decisions on the EAM financial incentives. There are many EAMs for which the Company did not provide any BCA.

²⁷ Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, Exhibit (ECP-5CU), Schedule 8.

Some of the BCAs do not include the benefits of avoided distribution capacity, which is one of the central benefits of the EAM. The BCA analyses are often not matched up with the EAMs, but instead are for some of the initiatives that might affect the EAMs.

Consequently, the Company's BCA is of limited use for this important purpose of establishing financial incentives for the EAMs.

While we have concerns about over-rewarding the utility in relation to the net benefits of an EAM, we also have concerns about under-rewarding the utility. As discussed earlier in this section, in order for these incentives to provide sufficient financial motivation to utilities to pursue these EAMs as a core business activity, they must provide sufficient earnings to overcome countervailing incentives. To determine whether the incentives are sufficient, they would need to be compared to the earnings that the utility would forgo if the EAMs are achieved. This information is unavailable.

Q. How many basis points do you recommend be applied to the EAMs in total.

A. We recommend that the total amount of the EAMs be set at 100 basis points, instead of the 90 basis points proposed by the Company. This is warranted because we have added two new EAMs, because of the importance of the many initiatives and outcomes promoted by the EAMs, and because the Company's benefit-cost analysis indicates that overall its EAMs will result in customer benefits that outweigh the costs.²⁸ Increasing the total basis points is in line with the Commission's Track Two Order, which authorized up to 100 basis points for EAMs.²⁹

Direct Testimony of the Electric Customer Panel, Exhibit (ECP-5CU), Schedule 8.

Track Two Order, Page 68. "As initial bounds on the first round of REV initiated EAMs, the maximum amount of earnings should not be more than 100 basis points total from all new incentives."

Q. Please summarize your recommendations regarding the allocation of financial incentives to the EAMs.

A. Table 1 provides a summary of our recommendations for allocating financial incentives to the EAMs, focusing on the maximum target for 2020. Our recommendations are presented next to the Niagara Mohawk proposals.

Table 1. Allocation of Financial Rewards Across EAMs

	NiMo bps Allocations	Recommended bps Allocations		
Earning Adjustment Mechanism:	Maximum	Maximum		
	2020	2020		
System Efficiency Subtotal	45	50		
Annual Peak Reduction	30	20		
New: Demand Response		15		
Substation Load Factor	5	0		
DER Utilization (MWh)	10	10		
New: Electric Vehicles		5		
Energy Efficiency Subtotal	30	35		
Incremental Energy Efficiency	7	21		
New: NYSERDA Energy Efficiency		5		
Energy Intensity (Residential)	10	3		
Energy Intensity (Commercial)	10	3		
Energy Intensity (Low-Income)	3	3		
Interconnection Subtotal	5	5		
Developer Satisfaction Survey	5	5		
Customer Engagement Subtotal	10	10		
DR Retention (Res & Small Bus)	1	1		
DR Retention (C&I)	1	1		
Customer Participation (Res)	1	3		
Customer Participation (C&I)	1	3		
Transactional Conversion Rate	3	1		
Survey	3	1		
EAMs Total	90	100		

Q. Please explain how you came up with the recommended financial incentives for the 646 2020 maximum targets, for each EAM.

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- A. In general, we considered the multiple factors listed above when determining financial incentives for each EAM. Our recommendations for each EAM are based on the following:
 - Annual Peak Reduction. This EAM addresses an important outcome: reduced peak demand resulting from a wide variety of initiatives. Therefore, it should be given relatively high priority and receive a relatively large portion of basis points. However, we recommend reducing the allocation proposed by the Company because annual peak demand can be influenced by many external factors, and many other EAMs will help reduce the annual peak demand, creating a risk of over-recovery of incentives. Consequently, we recommend that the maximum basis points allocated to this EAM be reduced from 30 to 20.
 - New: Incremental Demand Response. This EAM addresses an important initiative and an important outcome: reduced peak demands directly resulting from utility demand response programs. Further, this EAM helps to control for peak reductions that result from factors outside of the Company's control. Therefore, it should be given relatively high priority and receive a relatively large portion of basis points. On the other hand, the Annual Peak Reduction EAM also provides an incentive to reduce peak demands through the DLM programs, creating a risk of over-recovery of incentives. Consequently, we recommend allocating 15 basis points to the maximum target for this EAM.

- Substation Peak Reduction. We recommend that the Commission reject this EAM, for the reasons described above. Therefore, this EAM should be allocated zero basis points.
- DER Utilization. In general, the promotion of DERs should be given relatively high priority. However, the Company has focused the targets for this primarily on the adoption of distributed solar resources, and those targets are not especially ambitious. Therefore, we recommend allocating 10 basis points to the maximum target for this EAM.
- New: Electric Vehicles. In general, utility actions to maximize the benefits and minimize the costs from customer adoption of EVs over the near- to mid-term future should be given relatively high priority. On the other hand, the Company EV initiatives are still in early stages, and in most cases are still in the proposal stage. Similarly, this EAM has not been as fully defined as some of the other EAMs proposed by the Company or us. Consequently, it may be premature to allocate a large portion of the basis points to this EAM. We recommend allocating 5 basis points to the maximum target for this EAM.
- Incremental Energy Efficiency. This EAM addresses an important initiative and
 an important outcome: reduced energy consumption (and, indirectly, reduced
 peak demand). Therefore, it should be given relatively high priority and receive a
 relatively large portion of basis points. This EAM also addresses an initiative that

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³⁰ See the discussion of Potential Future Offerings in Section 3 of our testimony.

the Company has direct and significant control over, and that has the potential to provide a significant amount of cost-effective savings to customers.³¹ Therefore, we recommend increasing the allocation of maximum basis points for this EAM from 7 to 21.

- New: Incremental NYSERDA Efficiency. This outcome addresses an important outcome: reduced energy consumption and peak demand from low-income and municipal customers. On the other hand, Niagara Mohawk can influence this outcome only indirectly, by coordinating and cooperating with NYSERDA in the planning and implementation of its programs. For this reason, this EAM warrants relatively few basis points. We recommend allocating 5 basis points to the maximum target for this EAM.
- Customer Energy Intensity. Reducing customer energy intensity is an important goal, but only to the extent that it does not hamper beneficial electrification. As currently defined, this EAM suffers from several limitations that suggest it should not be allocated a large number of basis points, including: there are some DERs that will increase customer energy intensity, customer energy intensity can be influenced by many external factors, and many other EAMs will help reduce customer energy intensity, creating a risk of over-recovery of incentives.

 Consequently, we recommend that the maximum basis points allocated to this EAM be reduced from a maximum of 10 to 3 for each customer segment.

Synapse Energy Economics, *Aiming Higher: Realizing the Full Potential of Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency in New York*, prepared for Natural Resources Defense Council, E4TheFuture, CLEAResult, Lime Energy, Association for Energy Affordability, and Alliance for Clean Energy New York, April 2016.

- Interconnection. The Company has allocated relatively few basis points to the EAM, reflecting a low priority relative to the other EAMs. We agree with this proposal and recommend accepting the Company's proposal to allocate 5 basis points for the maximum target for this EAM.
- Customer Engagement. We agree with the Company's proposal to allocate a modest amount of basis points for this group of EAMs, given that there is a lot of overlap between these EAMs and the system efficiency and energy efficiency EAMs. However, we recommend that the Customer Participation EAMs be given a higher priority than the others, because of the equity benefits of promoting widespread adoption of DERs. Therefore, we recommend that the maximum basis points allocated to Customer Participation EAMs be increased to 3 each, and that the maximum basis points allocated to the other customer engagement EAMs be reduced to 1 each
- Q. Do you have any recommendations regarding the financial incentives awarded for achieving the minimum and mid-point targets?
- A. For the sake of simplicity, we recommend that the basis points awarded for achieving the minimum and mid-point targets be determined by scaling them up or down by the same factor that the basis points for the maximum target is scaled up or down. For example, for the Annual Peak Reduction EAM we recommend reducing the basis points for achieving the maximum target from 30 to 20. Therefore, the basis points that the Company proposed for achieving the minimum and mid-point targets for this EAM should also be reduced by one-third.

- 729 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 730 A. Yes, it does.

Exhibit TW-MW-1



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Woolf, T. 2000. "Comments of the Citizens Action Coalition of Indiana." Presentation at Workshop on Alternatives to Traditional Generation Resources, June 2000.

Woolf, T. 1996. "Overview of IRP and Introduction to Electricity Industry Restructuring." Training session provided to the staff of the Delaware Public Service Commission, April 1996.

Woolf, T. 1995. "Competition and Regulation in the UK Electric Industry." Presentation at the Illinois Commerce Commission's workshop on Restructuring the Electric Industry, August 1995.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Synapse Energy Economics, Cambridge MA. *Principal Associate*, 2017 – present, *Senior Associate*, 2015 – 2017, *Associate*, 2012 – 2015

Conduct research, author reports, and assist in preparation of expert testimony. Consult on issues related to distributed energy resources, rate design, cost-benefit analysis, integrated resource planning, utility regulation, water use and conservation, and market power.

University of Wisconsin - Madison, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, Madison, WI. *Teaching Assistant – Environmental Economics*, 2011 – 2012

Developed teaching materials and led discussions on cost-benefit analysis, carbon taxes and cap-and-trade programs, management of renewable and non-renewable resources, and other topics.

Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, Water Division, Madison, WI. *Program and Policy Analyst - Intern*, Summer 2009

Researched water conservation programs nationwide to develop a proposal for Wisconsin's state conservation program. Developed spreadsheet model to calculate avoided costs of water conservation in terms of energy savings and avoided emissions.

Synapse Energy Economics, Cambridge, MA. Communications Manager, 2005 – 2008

Developed technical proposals for state and federal agencies, environmental and public interest groups, and businesses. Edited reports on energy efficiency, integrated resource planning, greenhouse gas regulations, renewable resources, and other topics.

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Master of Arts in Agricultural and Applied Economics, 2012.

Certificate in Energy Analysis and Policy.

National Science Foundation Fellow.

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Master of Science in Environment and Resources, 2010.

Certificate in Humans and the Global Environment (CHANGE).

Nelson Distinguished Fellowship.

Southwestern University, Georgetown, TX

Bachelor of Arts in International Studies, Magna cum laude, 2003.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Econometric Modeling Linear and nonlinear modeling including time-series, panel data, logit, probit, and discrete choice regression analysis
- Nonmarket Valuation Methods for Environmental Goods Hedonic valuation, travel cost method, and contingent valuation
- Cost-Benefit Analysis
- Input-Output Modeling for Regional Economic Analysis

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Winner, M. Jarvin Emerson Student Paper Competition, Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy, 2010
- Fellowship, National Science Foundation Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT), University of Wisconsin Madison, 2009
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Hornby, R., N. Brockway, M. Whited, S. Fields. 2014. *Time-Varying Rates in the District of Columbia*. Synapse Energy Economics for the Office of the People's Counsel for the District of Columbia, submitted to Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia in Formal Case No. 1114.

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Whited, M., D. Bernhardt, R. Deitchman, C. Fuchsteiner, M. Kirby, M. Krueger, S. Locke, M. Mcmillen, H. Moussavi, T. Robinson, E. Schmitz, Z. Schuster, R. Smail, E. Stone, S. Van Egeren, H. Yoshida, Z. Zopp. 2009. *Implementing the Great Lakes Compact: Wisconsin Conservation and Efficiency Measures Report*. Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Extension Report 2009-01.

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Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (Docket No. 17-05): Direct and surrebuttal testimony of Tim Woolf and Melissa Whited regarding performance-based regulation, the monthly minimum

reliability contribution, storage pilots, and rate design in Eversource's petition for approval of rate increases and a performance-based ratemaking mechanism. On behalf of Sunrun and the Energy Freedom Coalition of America, LLC. April 28, 2017 and May 26, 2017.

Public Utilities Commission of Hawaii (Docket No. 2015-0170): Direct testimony regarding Hawaiian Electric Light Company's proposed performance incentive mechanisms. On behalf of the Division of Consumer Advocacy. April 28, 2017.

Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (Docket No. 15-155): Joint direct and rebuttal testimony with T. Woolf regarding National Grid's rate design proposal. On behalf of Energy Freedom Coalition of America, LLC. March 18, 2016 and April 28, 2016.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Docket No. EC13-93-000): Affidavit regarding potential market power resulting from the acquisition of Ameren generation by Dynegy. On behalf of Sierra Club. August 16, 2013.

Wisconsin Senate Committee on Clean Energy: Joint testimony with M. Grabow regarding the importance of clean transportation to Wisconsin's public health and economy. February 2010.

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