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Referring to page 7, lines 16-19 of Mr. Widmer's testimony, please provide the weighting method that "accounts for 115 years of stream flow data" including, but not limited to, the date that the adjustment method was developed and any adjustments in that method for hydro regulation changes made since that date.

Response to ICNU Data Request 2.91:

The weighting method employed by the Company takes 115 years of streamflow information as measured at the Dalles dam on the Columbia River and separates each year into two water periods. The water periods used by the region are August through December and January through July of each year. The weighting sorts the 115 years of water data and assigns a weighting of 1 to the period that it is the most similar to for the water years 1929 through 1978. The weights are then applied to the 50 water year results to develop the weighted average net power costs used by the Company in its filings.

The Company has used this weighting method in its regulatory filings since the early 1980s. There have been no adjustments to the method.

The weights were included in the data provided in response to ICNU Data Request 2.91.

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