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Power Costs - Jack Painter's testimony at Exh. JP-1T at 5:4-15 asserts that the modeling of Forecast NPC will become less accurate because of "substantial deterioration due to regional forward power market price forecasts in the western interconnection becoming less accurate and renewable resources being added to the Company's system". How does this testimony comport with EDAM economically controlling and optimizing energy resources?

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The modeling of forecast net power costs (NPC) and the fact that the Company will not have control of a majority of its NPC are independent of each other. The Company will provide a forecast NPC in order to set Base NPC rates and then the extended day-ahead market (EDAM) will control a majority of the Company's NPC in actual operations.

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