

**Exhibit No. \_\_\_ (AW-7)**  
**Docket UW-101818**  
**Witness: Amy White**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

**DOCKET UW-101818**

**Complainant,**  
**v.**

**MARIA K. LINDBERG,**

**Respondent.**

**EXHIBIT TO**  
**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF**  
**Amy White**  
**STAFF OF**  
**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND**  
**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

***Emails Regarding General Rate Case Workbook,  
Dated August 25 to August 27, 2010***

**June 23, 2011**

**White, Amy (UTC)**

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**From:** White, Amy (UTC)  
**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2010 10:29 AM  
**To:** Maria Lindberg  
**Subject:** RE: General\_Rate\_Case\_Workbook\_(use\_this)(final).xlsx

Maria, where it actually says "Drop-down menu", you have to move down one line before there actually ARE drop-down menus. That I think is the main trick. Also, if you save the file as an .xls (excel 97) rather than as an .xlsx file (Windows 2007) file, you somehow wipe out the drop-down menus. That I think are the main tricks.

Amy

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**From:** Maria Lindberg [mailto:mariarealtor@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2010 10:17 AM  
**To:** White, Amy (UTC)  
**Subject:** RE: General\_Rate\_Case\_Workbook\_(use\_this)(final).xlsx

Amy,  
Thanks for your help! Actually TerryL is on a new computer. We just have not purchased another Office Windows for it yet, so she has been using the google works suite. If we have to change her over we will. I was trying to use the drop down window on my computer to put that stuff in and I couldn't get it to work either and I was using excel. Is there some sort of trick to it? I want to get this done asap.

Thanks,  
Maria

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**From:** White, Amy (UTC) [mailto:AWhite@utc.wa.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2010 9:41 AM  
**To:** Maria Lindberg; Maria Lindberg  
**Cc:** terrylatindberg@gmail.com  
**Subject:** RE: General\_Rate\_Case\_Workbook\_(use\_this)(final).xlsx

Hi Maria,

I have had a chance to discuss the workbook you sent in with my manager, Gene Eckhardt. At this point the filing would not be acceptable to the commission. The filing due date of September 1 is next Wednesday and you should know that there is the possibility of the commission-issuing penalties for a failure to comply with the filing.

Here are issues that need to be resolved in the Excel workbook:

1. Cells marked with yellow in the Input tab of the workbook do need to be filled in. For example, in section 1, company name, test period ending, etc.
2. Under the terms of the settlement, the test year ends December 31, 2008, and the revenue requirement and expenses from the settlement are to be used for this round of rate-setting. I've attached a spreadsheet that shows those amounts. These amount should be entered into section 2 in the Input tab. Remember, in the next rate case, to set permanent metered rates, we will use a different test year, closer to that time, and will also do a "true-up" to assess whether the company collected enough or too much income based on these temporary rates. According to the settlement, we will be using just a base rate and a single use block for the first year metered rates are in effect, which is of course a huge incentive for the company to assure its meters are working.
3. In Input sections 3 and 4, you appear to be losing the drop-down menus that are built into the spreadsheet, as you have had TerryL working on a very old computer that is not able to read .xlsx files (the latest version of

Excel.) The drop-downs are really important in Input Section 4 as the choices selected by the company determine which schedules the company equipment appears on: Depreciation Schedule; Contributions in Aid of Construction schedule; Both (Depr and CIAC); or Acquisition Adjustment. The assets you have built with the DWSRF loan are all CIAC assets and everything else the company owns should be on the Depreciation schedule. You should have records of these items in your income tax depreciation schedule or on your annual report to the commission. Dates that each was placed into service are also important.

4. We need to have you classify all debt using the categories shown in the drop-down list: loan-bank; loan-owner; loan-other; loan-DWSRF.
5. For debt amounts, I'll need to see notes. I am not concerned with the DWSRF loan as I have pretty much all the paperwork there but will need documents related to the Barghausen Engineers debt as part of the filing.
6. Section 5, Usage Data, should show how much each customer used in each month, rather than their meter readings. In other words, Cristalina needs to "do the math" and send in the use amounts rather than just the readings.

I've also included the listing that we use to assess whether a filing is acceptable. It pretty much quotes the WAC that tells us what a filing has to contain: cover letter, customer notice, tariff pages, and workpapers that support the financial information being filed.

Please don't hesitate to call with any further questions.

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**From:** Maria Lindberg [mailto:[mariarealtor@gmail.com](mailto:mariarealtor@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2010 11:05 AM  
**To:** White, Amy (UTC)  
**Subject:** General\_Rate\_Case\_Workbook\_(use\_this)(final).xlsx

Here this is in excel. I hope this opens okay.  
Thanks,  
Maria