

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Bench Request No. 3

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Referring to Parvinen, Exh. MPP-3 and MPP-2T at 6, Table 1, provide in Excel format an updated exhibit MPP-3 consistent with the provisions of WAC 480-90-257, including actual calendar year 2020.

Additionally, for each calendar year in MPP-3 and for the actual calendar year 2020 provide the following details:

- a. All required and separately stated restating adjustments,
- b. Valuation of rate base exclusively on an average of monthly averages basis,
- c. The calculated rate of return for the restated results of operations,
- d. A comparison of the calculated restated results of operations rate of return to the authorized rate of return and include the docket number authorizing the referenced rate of return,
- e. For each docket number referenced, state whether the case was adjudicated or settled, and if settled whether or not it was a “black-box” settlement.

Response:

Please see attached files entitled “... Statement of Ops Report” for the electronic files containing the information supporting MPP-3 and the Table 1 within MPP-2T.

- a. Please see tab “Summary” in each Commission Basis Report year 2015-2020. The restating adjustments are presented in Columns (c) and/or (d). Note that the values for the Weather Normalization Adjustment in column (c) for years 2017-2020 are \$0 because Cascade implemented a decoupling mechanism, and thus Cascade’s results for these years already reflect an adjustment for weather normalization.

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- b. Please see tab “Summary” in each Commission Basis Report year 2015-2020. The valuation of rate base exclusively on an average of monthly averages basis is provided in Column (b).
- c. Please see tab “Summary” in each Commission Basis Report year 2015-2020 for calculated rate of return for the restated results of operations, which is provided in Column (e).
- d. Please see tab “Summary” in each Commission Basis Report year 2015-2020 for a comparison of the calculated restated results of operations rate of return to the authorized rate of return and include the docket number authorizing the referenced rate of return. This information is provided in Column (e), in the final row below line number 26.
- e. The information regarding each docket number referenced in response to Bench Request No. 3(d) is as follows:
 - UG-190210 - Settled, was a “black-box” settlement.
 - UG-170929 - Settled, was a “black-box” settlement.
 - UG-152286 - Settled, was a “black-box” settlement.
 - UG-060256 – Settled and was not a “black-box” settlement.