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Refer to the Direct Testimony of Jeffrey K. Larsen, lines 211 - 214, which states: "As repowered wind resources are placed into service, the Company will compare the actual O&M expense for each wind resource to the 2014-2017 historical four-year average of O&M expense by wind resource. The difference will be included in the RTM deferral". Does the Company propose to include internal labor costs in the O&M expenses to be deferred? If yes, does the Company currently anticipate that its overall employee compliment on a full time equivalent basis will increase during the period the projects are placed into service as compared to the amounts incorporated in current base rates?

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The Company is proposing to include incremental operations and maintenance (O&M) expense in the Resource Tracking Mechanism deferral as described in the testimony referenced above. The incremental O&M expense may include internal labor, external labor or a combination of both. It is currently not known what the impact would be on the employee compliment on a full-time-equivalent basis as it is not known what the source of incremental labor will be.