

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH**

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**SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF ANGC WITNESS  
BRUCE R. OLIVER**

**ANGC EXHIBIT 2SR**

Phase 2

**TESTIMONY ON CLASS COST OF SERVICE  
AND RATE STRUCTURE ISSUES**

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Testimony on Behalf of

**American Natural Gas Council**

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**SURREBUTTAL EXHIBITS**

**ANGC Exhibit 2.01SR: Cost of Service Summary and Allocations to Rate Classes**

*DEU's Response to **UAE** Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5,  
COS Summary, Revised for Illustrative Purposes to Reflect a  
**50/50** Weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput  
Requirements*

**ANGC Exhibit 2.02SR: Assignment of Costs to Cost Classification Categories  
For TSS and TSL Customers Using a 35,000 Dth Threshold for  
TSL Customers**

**ANGC Exhibit 2.03SR: Comparison of Allocated Customer Costs and Combined  
Customer and Administrative Charge Revenues  
TSS/TSL Split Based on a 35,000 Dth Usage Threshold**

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**Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

A. My name is Bruce R. Oliver. My business address is 7103 Laketree Drive  
Fairfax Station, Virginia, 22039.

**Q. ARE YOU THE SAME BRUCE R. OLIVER WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY  
SUBMITTED DIRECT TESTIMONY IN PHASES I AND II OF THIS  
PROCEEDING ON BEHALF OF ANGC, AS WELL AS SURREBUTTAL IN  
PHASE I AND REBUTTAL IN PHASE II?**

A. Yes, I am.

**Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR PHASE II SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?**

A. This testimony responds to the Phase II Rebuttal Testimonies of Witness  
Summers for DEU, Witness Daniel for OCS and Witness Higgins for UAE.

**Q. WERE THIS TESTIMONY AND ACCOMPANYING EXHIBITS PREPARED BY  
YOU OR UNDER YOUR DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL?**

A. Yes, they were.

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**II. SUMMARY**

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24 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A GENERAL RESPONSE TO THE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY**  
25 **THAT HAS BEEN FILED BY OTHER PARTIES TO THIS PROCEEDING?**

26 A. Yes. The general position of DEU and OCS is to once again defer action on  
27 what have been portrayed as pressing issues, particularly with respect to the  
28 design of TS rates, and to ignore the very strong cost of service evidence which  
29 demonstrates that **small TS customers** are **NOT the source** of the Company's  
30 rate **TS cost recovery problems**. Simply moving the TS class to an arbitrary  
31 level that the Company associates with full cost recovery does not ensure  
32 equitable treatment of large and small customers within that class. Moreover, the  
33 Company's proposed rates do more to perpetuate intra-class rate equity issues  
34 than to resolve them, or at least mitigate their magnitude.

35 Although DEU Witness Summers appears intent on moving all classes to  
36 their full costs of service to address interclass rate equity issue, he ignores the  
37 detail of the Company's cost of service analyses when he designs charges to  
38 distribution cost responsibilities among the customers within each rate class. In  
39 doing so he perpetuates, and often exacerbates **intra-class** rate equity  
40 problems. In fact, the rate design proposals offered by DEU and UAE will serve  
41 to further amplify the Company's current **over-recovery** of costs **from TSS**  
42 **customers** (i.e., TS customers using less than 35,000 Dth per year. DEU's

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43 proposals also do little or nothing to reconcile the Company's classified costs by  
44 rate class and by function with its proposed charges by rate class.

45           Witness Summers' Direct Testimony highlights problems in the  
46 Company's existing rates. However, as I have previously noted, DEU had  
47 substantial time and opportunity to analyze and address rate design issues  
48 discussed in prior proceedings before it filed its Application in this proceeding.  
49 Yet, the only proposals DEU has developed for this proceeding are poorly  
50 supported and lack sound cost of service foundations. Deferring major rate  
51 design reforms until the Company's next rate cases provides no assurance that  
52 more thoughtful and well-constructed proposals will be forthcoming at that time.  
53 Moreover, a decision to adopt DEU's TS rate proposals in this proceeding and  
54 defer consideration of TS rate design reform until a future case will only serve to  
55 deny current and potential rate TS customers the opportunity for significant gas  
56 cost savings.

57           As I noted in my Direct Testimony, customers' distribution service  
58 requirements are not substantially altered by decisions to migrate from gas sales  
59 service to transportation service. Thus, the charges customers are assessed for  
60 **distribution service** should essentially be the same regardless of whether they  
61 elect to use gas sales service or gas transportation service. Unfortunately,  
62 DEU's current rates for both gas sales and transportation services do not appear  
63 to reasonably reflect its costs of service for customers within those service  
64 classifications, and setting charges for transportation service based on non-cost-

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65 based gas sales service rates is neither reasonable nor appropriate. However,  
66 the record of this proceeding demonstrates that DEU's current charges for TS  
67 customers provide better cost-recovery results for smaller TS (TSS) customers  
68 than for larger TS (TSL) customers. In this context, there is absolutely no  
69 foundation for the Company's proposals to: (1) impose a 35,000 Dth minimum  
70 annual gas use requirement on TS customers and (2) limit further migration of  
71 customers using less than 35,000 Dth per year to Rate Schedule TS.

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73 **Q. DOES ANY OF THE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY FILED BY OTHER PARTIES IN**  
74 **THIS PHASE II PROCEEDING ALTER YOU'RE THE POSITION AND**  
75 **RECOMMENDATIONS PRESENTED IN YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

76 A. No, it does not.

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78 **III. COST ALLOCATION ISSUES**

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80 **Q. HAS DEU WITNESS SUMMERS PRESENTED REVISED CLASS COST OF**  
81 **SERVICE ALLOCATIONS WITH HIS REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?**

82 A. Yes. That analysis is found in DEU Exhibit 4.02R.

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84 **Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON THE REVISED CLASS COST OF**  
85 **SERVICE ANALYSIS THAT DEU WITNESS SUMMERS PRESENTS IN**  
86 **EXHIBIT 4.02R?**

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87 A. Yes. On the positive side, DEU Exhibit 4.02R incorporates the 68/32 weighting  
88 of class Design Day and Annual Throughput requirements that both UAE and  
89 ANGC advocated in their Direct Testimonies in this Phase II proceeding, as well  
90 as the lower revenue requirement that DEU Witness Stephenson discussed in  
91 his Phase I Rebuttal Testimony. On the other hand, that analysis continues to  
92 rely on DEU's substantially overstated costs of capital and fails to address the  
93 split of the TS class that I discussed in my Direct Testimony and that the  
94 Company has addressed explicitly in its response to UAE Data Request 2.01,  
95 Attachment 5.<sup>1</sup> Thus, the analysis presented in DEU Exhibit 4.02R is of limited  
96 use in addressing key revenue increase distribution and TS class rate design  
97 issues that before the Commission in this proceeding.

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99 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A RESPONSE TO OCS WITNESS DANIEL'S REBUTTAL**  
100 **REGARDING DEU'S ALLOCATION OF COSTS FOR FEEDER MAINS,**  
101 **COMPRESSOR STATIONS, AND MEASURING AND REGULATING STATION**  
102 **EQUIPMENT?**

103 A. I do. Noticeably absent from Witness Daniel's rebuttal on this matter is any  
104 development of a cost-causative basis for the weighting of Design Day and  
105 Annual Throughput requirements in the development of DEU's Allocation Factor  
106 230. The basic purpose of cost of service analyses is to identify cost-causative  
107 relationships. The use of arbitrarily chosen weighting factors for Design Day and

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<sup>1</sup> Also see ANGC Exhibit 2.01R, page 1 of 2, which provides a summary the class cost of service analysis presented in DEU's response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5.



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108 Annual Throughput requirements is inconsistent with that basic reason for  
109 performing class cost of service allocations. My Direct Testimony explains the  
110 cost-causative relationship that underlies the use of the system load factor as the  
111 basis for weighting Design Day and Annual Throughput requirements in the  
112 allocation of costs for feeder mains, compressor stations, and measuring and  
113 regulating station equipment. Witness Daniel's Rebuttal Testimony offers no  
114 substantive evidence to refute the rationale presented in my Direct Testimony for  
115 using the System Load Factor as basis for weighting the Design Day and Annual  
116 Throughput components for DEU's Allocation Factor 230.<sup>2</sup>

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118 **Q. WOULD THE USE OF A DIFFERENT WEIGHTING OF DESIGN DAY AND**  
119 **ANNUAL THROUGHPUT REQUIREMENTS SIGNIFICANTLY ALTER THE**  
120 **RATE OF RETURN FOR SMALLER RATE SCHEDULE TS CUSTOMERS (I.E.,**  
121 **TSS CUSTOMERS) THAT USE LESS THAN 35,000 DTH PER YEAR?**

122 A. No. To the contrary the use of a 50/50 weighting would improve the computed  
123 rate of return for TSS customers. As shown in ANGC Exhibit 2.01SR, the use of  
124 a 50/50 weight of Design Day and Annual Throughput would produce a **9.27%**  
125 rate of return for **TSS customers** (i.e., Rate Schedule TS customers using less  
126 than 35,000 Dth per year). By comparison, ANGC Exhibit 2.03R, attached to my  
127 Rebuttal Testimony in this phase of the proceeding, indicates that the TSS rate of

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<sup>2</sup> In this context it should be noted that the Phase II Rebuttal Testimony of DEU Witness Summers recognizes (at page 3, lines 71-73) that the system load factor based weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput requirements advocated by myself and UAE Witness Higgins "**have meaningful logic.**"

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128 return using a 68/32 weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput for DEU's  
129 Allocation Factor 230 is **8.99%**.

130 On the other hand, the use of a 50/50 weighting of Design Day and  
131 Annual Throughput lowers the rate of return for Large Rate Schedule TS (TSL)  
132 customers. Using a 50/50 weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput, the  
133 computed rate of return for TSL customers is **-0.03%**. The TSL rate of return  
134 using a 68/32 weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput is **1.49%**.<sup>3</sup>

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136 **Q. DO THE FOREGOING COMPARISONS OF RATES OF RETURN FOR SMALL**  
137 **TS (TSS) CUSTOMERS CAUSE YOU TO RECONSIDER YOUR POSITION**  
138 **WITH RESPECT TO THE WEIGHTING OF DESIGN DAY AND ANNUAL**  
139 **THROUGHPUT REQUIREMENTS FOR COST ALLOCATION PURPOSES?**

140 **A.** No, they do not. The 68/32 weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput  
141 requirements that I advocated in my Direct Testimony remains the only approach  
142 for structuring DEU's Allocation Factor 230 that is founded upon a sound cost-  
143 causative relationship. Arbitrary weightings of design day and annual throughput  
144 have no legitimate application in the determination of class cost of service  
145 responsibilities. If the Commission wishes to depart from strict cost of service  
146 based rate determinations, it has the discretion to do so in establishment of class  
147 revenue requirements and in the design of rates for individual rate classes.  
148 However, it is not appropriate to distort the benchmark from which deviations

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<sup>3</sup> Also see Table 1SR that is presented later in this testimony.

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149 form fully allocated costs of service are measured by using arbitrary and non-  
150 cost-based allocation methods in the determination of class cost of service  
151 responsibilities.

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153 **Q. SHOULD THE SAME 68/32 WEIGHTING OF DESIGN DAY AND ANNUAL**  
154 **THROUGHPUT REQUIREMENTS BE USED BY DEU IN ITS NEXT BASE**  
155 **RATE CASE?**

156 A. The weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput in DEU's next case should  
157 reflect the Company's **Annual System Load Factor** at that time.<sup>4</sup> It should only  
158 remain at a 68/32 weighting if the Company's annual system load factor remains  
159 unchanged.

160 The DEU representation cited by Witness Daniel, that a "*60/40 weighting*  
161 *more closely matches the results of the COS that the Company has proposed*  
162 *over time,*" is of no value to this Commission in the determination of class cost  
163 responsibilities in this proceeding unless it is shown to reflect a cost causative  
164 relationship. Consistency with past practices is only relevant where the  
165 underlying cost-causative factors are demonstrated to be unchanged and that  
166 relationship is shown to be consistent with cost-causation. Past reliance on a  
167 non-cost-based allocation method is not justification for continuation of the use of  
168 that method. Moreover, while such concepts as gradualism and rate continuity  
169 have a role in the design of rates, they have no place in the allocation of costs

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<sup>4</sup> For this purpose, DEU's annual system load factor should be computed using estimated design day demands as the denominator, as I have done in this proceeding.

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170 among rate classes and the determination of the cost benchmarks from which  
171 rate design determinations are made.

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173 **Q. IS THERE ANY SUBSTANCE IN WITNESS DANIEL'S STATEMENT THAT**  
174 **THE COMPANY'S ALLOCATION METHOD FOR FEEDER MAINS,**  
175 **COMPRESSOR STATIONS, AND MEASURING AND REGULATING**  
176 **STATIONS "WAS NOT INTENDED TO BE, NOR HAS IT BEEN**  
177 **REPRESENTED AS, AN A&P [AVERAGE AND PEAK] ALLOCATION**  
178 **FACTOR"?**

179 A. No. That is simply a semantic distinction. Regardless of how it is labeled,  
180 DEU's Allocation Factor 230 should be structured to reflect a cost-causative  
181 relationship, not an arbitrarily chosen weighting percentages.

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183 **Q. WITNESS DANIEL DISCUSSES THE NARUC GAS DISTRIBUTION RATE**  
184 **DESIGN MANUAL ("NARUC MANUAL") IN HIS REBUTTAL TESTIMONY.**  
185 **WHAT IS YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE USEFULNESS OF THE NARUC GAS**  
186 **DISTRIBUTION RATE DESIGN MANUAL FOR RESOLVING COST**  
187 **ALLOCATION ISSUES IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

188 A. In 1981 when NARUC published its first Gas Distribution Rate Design Manual,  
189 that manual served as a useful primer for many regulators, rate case intervenors,  
190 and utilities who, at that time, had limited background in gas distribution utility  
191 cost allocation and rate design considerations. However, even with the update of

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192 that manual in 1989, **it has never been a prescriptive document.** Rather, its  
193 main function is to describe alternative methods that have been used without  
194 taking a position on how to assess the most appropriate method for any given  
195 utility or any set of utility characteristics. As a result, it has served to perpetuate  
196 past practices rather than advance efforts to better track actual cost causation for  
197 gas distribution utilities.

198 With advances in computing technology, our expanded ability to manage  
199 and analyze large amounts of data has greatly expanded. With these expanded  
200 analytic capabilities, the focus of regulators should be on seeking better methods  
201 to reflect cost causation in the allocation of costs and the design of rates.  
202 Instead, citations in regulatory proceedings to the past practices discussed in the  
203 now 30-year old updated NARUC Manual only serve to inhibit refinement of cost  
204 allocation and rate design methods for gas distribution utilities.

205 The focus of the Commission in this proceeding should be on identifying  
206 cost allocation methods that reflect actual cost-causative relationships for DEU  
207 and enable the Company to design rates in a manner that equitably assigns cost  
208 responsibilities both among rate classes and among individual customers within  
209 each rate class. As the record of this proceeding demonstrates, DEU's current  
210 rates leave much to desired in terms of both interclass and intra-class rate equity.  
211 Moreover, I have demonstrated that DEU's representations regarding who is  
212 being subsidized are at best unreliable and inconsistent with its own analyses.

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214 **Q. WITNESS DANIEL'S REBUTTAL TESTIMONY (PAGE 5, LINES 106-108)**  
215 **CRITICIZES UAE AND ANGC FOR USING ESTIMATED CLASS DESIGN DAY**  
216 **DEMANDS RATHER THAN TEST YEAR CONINCIDENT PEAK DEMANDS [IN**  
217 **THEIR DESIGN DAY/ANNUAL THROUGHPUT ALLOCATIONS. HOW DO**  
218 **YOU RESPOND?**

219 A. Witness Daniel's use of test year coincident peak demand measures has no  
220 basis in actual cost-causation for DEU. The Company's distribution facilities are  
221 not sized to meet the actual demands that classes place on the system in any  
222 given year. Rather, DEU must size its distribution system facilities to meet the  
223 demands that could be placed on those facilities under extreme cold weather  
224 conditions. Year-to-year fluctuations in weather can cause actual coincident  
225 peak demands to fluctuate significantly, but those fluctuations do not impact the  
226 Company's sizing of distribution facilities or the costs that it must incur to ensure  
227 reliable service under extreme weather conditions. Witness Daniel's suggested  
228 use of actual test year peak demand measures does not account for the impacts  
229 of weather on actual test year demand measures and could result in large swings  
230 in the allocation of distribution system demand costs from case-to-case that have  
231 no ties to the manner in which DEU sizes its distribution system and incurs  
232 distribution system investment costs.

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234 **Q. DOES DEU WITNESS SUMMERS REFUTE YOUR FINDING REGARDING THE**  
235 **INAPPROPRIATENESS OF THE COMPANY’S ALLOCATIONS OF GENERAL**  
236 **AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS?**

237 A. No, he does not. The revised cost-of-service allocations presented in DEU  
238 Exhibit 4.02R continue to use an inappropriate allocation methodology. That  
239 methodology which apportions labor-related components of the Company’s  
240 Administrative and General costs on the basis of General Plant is unfounded. No  
241 nexus between the allocation of General Plant costs and the Company’s  
242 incurrence of labor-related Administrative and General costs has been  
243 established, and DEU should be required to specifically address this deficiency in  
244 future cost of service studies filed with this Commission.

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246 **Q. DOES DEU WITNESS SUMMERS ANSWER THE CONCERNS RAISED IN**  
247 **YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY REGARDING THE COMPANY’S METHOD-**  
248 **OLOGY FOR DEVELOPING ITS DISTRIBUTION PLANT COSTS STUDY?**

249 A. No, he does not.

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251 **IV. RATE CLASS STRUCTURE AND CUSTOMER MIGRATION**

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253 **Q. PLEASE RESPOND TO THOSE PARTIES THAT ADVOCATE DEFERRING**  
254 **ACTION ON TS CLASS RATE DESIGN ISSUES AND A SPLITTING OF THE**  
255 **TS CLASS?**

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256 A. Several parties have addressed the need to split both the TS class and the GS  
257 class into two or more rate classes. However, no party other than ANGC has  
258 explicitly addressed the dramatic differences in cost recovery within the TS class  
259 for small TS (TSS) customers and for large TS (TSL) customers. These  
260 differences are not imagined or contrived. They are documented by analyses  
261 prepared by DEU and fortified by sensitivity analyses that I present.

262 Parties that have not embraced the identified and egregious differences in  
263 cost recovery for large and small TS customers, appear comfortable in  
264 encouraging the Commission to defer action on TS class rate design issues and  
265 considerations regarding splitting the TS class. ANGC is not comfortable with  
266 such a further deferral of actions that are already long overdue. As noted in my  
267 Direct Testimony, neither DEU's current GS rates nor its TS rates are properly  
268 designed for the types of commercial, municipal, institutional, and smaller  
269 industrial customers that have migrated, or may be expected to migrate from gas  
270 sales service to gas transportation service.

271 Much of DEU's rate presentation in this proceeding is premised on the  
272 incorrect and misguided assessment that growth in the numbers of small TS  
273 customers has eroded DEU's recovery of costs from the TS class. However, the  
274 evidence in this proceeding, including multiple analyses performed by DEU, does  
275 not support the Company's position. There is absolutely nothing in the record of  
276 this proceeding that supports a conclusion that increases in the numbers of Small



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277 TS customers has eroded the rate of return for DEU's TS class.<sup>5</sup> Rather, the  
278 evidence strongly indicates that DEU's Large TS customers are the source of the  
279 Company's Rate TS cost recovery concerns.<sup>6</sup> In this context, fair and equitable  
280 treatment of all customers within the TS class mandates that current inequities  
281 within DEU's existing TS rates be addressed now and not further delayed. It is  
282 not reasonable or appropriate for the Commission to condone a TS rate structure  
283 that extracts a significantly above system average rate of return from Small TS  
284 (TSS) customers while continuing to subsidize rates for Large TS (TSL)  
285 customers.

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287 **Q. ARE INTERCLASS AND INTRA-CLASS RATE SUBSIDIES THE REASON**  
288 **DEU GAS SALES SERVICE CUSTOMERS HAVE MIGRATED TO TRANS-**  
289 **PORTATION SERVICE?**

290 A. No. DEU Witness Summers asserts in his Direct Testimony that customers have  
291 left the GS, FS, and IS classes to take advantage of the subsidized rate in the TS  
292 class.<sup>7</sup> However, that is **NOT** the reason customers are migrating to the TS  
293 class. Customers are migrating to the TS class to enable their procurement of  
294 gas supplies from competitive service providers at substantially lower cost than  
295 they can obtain from DEU. Our analyses find that customers can achieve

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<sup>5</sup> The evidence in this proceeding demonstrates that any correlation between growth in the numbers of Small TS customers and erosion of the Company's overall cost recovery from the TS class is strictly coincidental.

<sup>6</sup> It must be recognized that the TSL class has not been static since the Company's last base rate case and there has been noticeable growth in TSL volumes even though the number of added large TS customers has been relatively small.

<sup>7</sup> The Direct Testimony of DEU Witness Summers, page 29, lines 753-754.

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296 substantial gas cost savings by transferring to gas transportation service and  
297 contracting for competitively provided gas supply. For a sample of 17 actual TS  
298 customers ranging in size from 3,000 Dth to over 1.2 million Dth annually,<sup>8</sup>  
299 annual gas costs savings ranged from 17.6% to 26.1%. For customers using  
300 less than 35,000 Dth annually, the average annual gas cost savings was over  
301 \$10,000 or 19.8%.

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303 **Q. DEU WITNESS SUMMERS' REBUTTAL TESTIMONY SUGGESTS, "THE**  
304 **COMPANY CANNOT RESOLVE THE COST-OF-SERVICE AND RATE-**  
305 **DESIGN ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE TS CLASS IF THE DATA FOR THE**  
306 **CLASS IS CONSTANTLY CHANGING." DO YOU AGREE?**

307 **A.** No. Usage data for all classes is constantly changing. Changes in data for a  
308 class are not a valid reason for restricting access to gas transportation services,  
309 particularly when the Company's own analyses indicate that DEU is more than  
310 recovering its full costs of service from Small TS customers. The Company's  
311 problem is that it has not adequately analyzed its available data and properly  
312 identified the cause of its under-recovery of costs from the overall TS class. As I  
313 have demonstrated in this proceeding, a moratorium on customer transfers is not  
314 necessary to identify factors contributing to DEU's TS class cost recovery  
315 problems. Rather, the primary impact of DEU's proposed moratorium would be

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<sup>8</sup> The sample customers were chosen to reflect the diversity in the types of customers using TS service and include a grocery, a refrigerated warehouse, a commercial office building, a municipal library, a healthcare facility, a technical college, a hotel, an auto mall, an elementary school, a food processing plant, a religious institution, an industrial fabricator, a high school, a municipal wastewater treatment facility, and a cogeneration facility. Ten of the 17 sample customers used less than 35,000 Dth annually.

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316 to deny commercial, municipal, institutional, and smaller industrial customers  
317 opportunities to achieve gas cost savings and limit increases in their energy cost  
318 budgets.

319 The migration of Small TS customers from gas sales service is actually  
320 benefitting the system and the TS class and should not be restricted. But for  
321 growth in the numbers of Small TS customers, the overall TS class rate of return  
322 would be lower, not higher. Moreover, the current above system average rate of  
323 return for TS customers using less than 35,000 Dth per year serves to reduce the  
324 amount of subsidy to large TS customers that must be borne by customers in  
325 DEU's other rate classes.

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327 **Q. DOES OCS WITNESS DANIEL DISCUSS THE TIMING OF EFFORTS TO**  
328 **ACHIEVE A RESOLUTION OF TS CLASS MAKE-UP AND RATE DESIGN**  
329 **ISSUES?**

330 A. Yes. However, I find his testimony on this matter inconsistent and contradictory.  
331 On one hand, he endorses the phase-in process suggested by UAE Witness  
332 Higgins and states, "*This should allow for a timely resolution of these issues and*  
333 *subsidies prior to the third step rate adjustment.*" He also recommends that the  
334 question of "*whether smaller customers should be allowed to qualify for*  
335 *transportation service*" should be resolved **now**.<sup>9</sup> On the other hand, he  
336 reiterates a recommendation from his Direct Testimony that would defer any

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<sup>9</sup> The Rebuttal Testimony of OCS Witness Daniel, page 14, lines 307 – 311.

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337 action by DEU to create a transportation service rate for smaller customers until  
338 the Company's next rate case.<sup>10</sup> Unfortunately, Witness Daniel's position  
339 regarding the need for more timely splitting of the TS class appears to suffer from  
340 a lack of rigorous examination of the evidence in this proceeding regarding the  
341 cost recovery performance of larger and smaller TS customers. His position, that  
342 "*additional data and analysis is needed prior to reaching a conclusion regarding*  
343 *TS rate class changes*" reflects only his own limited review of the TS class  
344 information that has been presented to date.

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346 **Q. IS IT YOUR POSITION THAT RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS SHOULD BE**  
347 **DENIED OPPORTUNITIES TO PURCHASE THEIR NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES**  
348 **FROM COMPETITIVE SUPPLIERS OF NATURAL GAS?**

349 A. No, that is not my position. Several jurisdictions presently allow residential  
350 customers to purchase competitive gas supply services. In fact, I personally  
351 received within the last month a solicitation from a Dominion energy marketing  
352 affiliate, Dominion Solutions, suggesting that I could significantly reduce my gas  
353 bills for the next three years by purchasing my gas supplies through them rather  
354 than continuing to purchase my gas from my local gas distribution utility,  
355 Washington Gas Light Company.

356 The concern I have with respect to the use of competitive gas supply  
357 services by residential customers is that competition in competitive energy

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<sup>10</sup> Ibid., lines 309-311.

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358 markets is as much about the terms and conditions set forth in gas supply  
359 contracts as it is about the price that is quoted. Competitive suppliers' contracts  
360 are not uniform in their terms, and what may appear to be a lower price can  
361 actually result in higher costs after cost pass-throughs and other price and/or  
362 usage adjustments are considered. Few residential customers have the  
363 knowledge and/or access to experienced professional advice needed to identify  
364 and understand the potential cost impacts of differences between utility charges  
365 and competitive market gas supply offerings.

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367 **Q. HAS OCS WITNESS DANIEL CHANGED HIS POSITION REGARDING THE**  
368 **NEED FOR SPLITTING THE GS CLASS INTO TWO OR MORE CLASSES?**

369 A. It appears he has. In his Direct Testimony (lines 446 – 455), Witness Daniel  
370 explicitly addresses “*the huge range in customer size for customers within the*  
371 *[GS] class.*”<sup>11</sup> He also offers his opinion that “... *it may make better sense from a*  
372 *ratemaking perspective to divide the GS customer class into two or more*  
373 *separate customer classes.*”<sup>12</sup> However, in his Rebuttal Testimony, he hedges  
374 away from that position stating, “... *it has not yet been shown that splitting the*  
375 *GS rate class into two or more classes is beneficial.*”<sup>13</sup> I agree with Witness  
376 Daniel that DEU has not developed sufficient data to date to support an  
377 appropriate splitting of the GS class and the design of charges for each new rate  
378 class that would result. However, that is not reason to reject the basic

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<sup>11</sup> OCS Witness Daniel’s Direct Testimony, lines 446–455.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid.

<sup>13</sup> OCS Witness Daniel’s Rebuttal Testimony, lines 251–252.

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379 observation in Witness Daniel's Direct Testimony regarding "*the huge range in*  
380 *customer size for customers within the [GS] class,*" or deny the need to define  
381 rate classes that contain more homogeneous customer groupings. Moreover, in  
382 the absence of a specific directive from the Commission that DEU should timely  
383 develop data to support the re-classification of GS customers, there is no reason  
384 to believe that the Commission and the parties will be better positioned to  
385 address these matters in a future proceeding.

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387 **V. TS RATE DESIGN ISSUES**

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389 **Q. OCS WITNESS DANIEL'S REBUTTAL TESTIMONY AT PAGE 7, LINES 160-**  
390 **161 INDICATES THAT DEU IS PROPOSING A 45.6% INCREASE FOR THE**  
391 **TS CLASS. IS THAT ACCURATE?**

392 **A.** No. The **45.6%** increase that Witness Daniel references understates the actual  
393 magnitude of the rate increase that DEU has proposed for the TS class. The  
394 overall revenue increase that the Company proposes for the TS class, as shown  
395 in DEU Exhibit 4.14 is 48.25% without consideration of MT Revenues and the  
396 Company's Lakeside Revenue Allocation. With the Company's Lakeside  
397 Revenue Allocation and MT revenues included, DEU shows a proposed revenue  
398 increase for the TS class of **50.31%**.

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400 **Q. ARE YOU SUPPORTIVE OF THE REVISED THREE-STEP PHASE-IN TO**  
401 **FULL COST-BASED RATES FOR TS CUSTOMERS THAT WITNESS**  
402 **HIGGINS' PRESENTS IN HIS REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?**

403 A. I am supportive of a phase-in of the proposed rate increases for TS and TBF  
404 customers. I am **not** supportive of the specifics of Witness Higgins' proposals.  
405 His proposals, even as modified in his Rebuttal Testimony, fail to reflect the  
406 significantly above system average rate of return for smaller TS customers DEU  
407 identified in response to UAE's Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5. As a result,  
408 Witness Higgins' rate phase-in proposal for the TS class places inappropriately  
409 large increases on those customers who are already paying rates that are well in  
410 excess of their costs of service. In other words, his proposals would cause the  
411 already inappropriately high cost burdens for small TS customers to be further  
412 increased. The three-step phase-in of the revenue increase that I have  
413 presented in ANGC Exhibit 2.05R attached to my Rebuttal Testimony provides  
414 more equitable treatment of large and small TS customers while still  
415 incorporating gradualism considerations in the adjustment of rates.<sup>14</sup>

416 As shown in Witness Higgins' Rebuttal exhibit, UAE Exhibit 2.2R, the  
417 UAE's proposed phase-in of the revenue increase would adjust all of the  
418 volumetric block rates for TS customers proportionally and would nearly double  
419 the TS demand charges. By the end of UAE's proposed phase-in, TS demand

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<sup>14</sup> I note, however, that the existing rate subsidies to Large TS customers have developed over a rather lengthy period time (certainly more than three years), and in that context it is certainly within the Commission's discretion to allow a phased movement toward full cost-based rate for those customers to extend over a period of more than three years. A revenue adjustment process that would extend beyond the Company's next rate case might provide for more reasonable rate impacts.

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420 charges would increase by nearly 96%, placing larger than average increases on  
421 lower load factor TS customers. Given that smaller TS customers are also more  
422 likely to have lower load factor gas use requirements, the Company's Small TS  
423 customers (i.e., TSS customers who already are paying more than their allocated  
424 costs of service) would bear an inappropriately large share of the overall TS  
425 class rate increase. My rebuttal proposal (presented in ANGC Exhibit 2.05R),  
426 that splits the current TS class into separate TSS and TSL rate classes, provides  
427 a more equitable treatment of Small TS customers.

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429 **Q. OCS WITNESS DANIEL'S REBUTTAL REITERATES THE RECOMMEND-**  
430 **ATION PRESENTED IN HIS DIRECT TESTIMONY THAT "*DEU SHOULD BE***  
431 ***REQUIRED TO PROPOSE A TRANSPORTATION SERVICE RATE SCHED-***  
432 ***ULE FOR SMALLER CUSTOMERS IN THEIR NEXT RATE CASE.*"<sup>15</sup> DO YOU**  
433 **SUPPORT HIS PROPOSAL?**

434 A. No. The evidence I have presented based upon DEU own analyses  
435 demonstrates a substantial difference in the rate of return performance of TSS  
436 and TSL customers where the dividing line for those rate classifications is set at  
437 35,000 Dth of annual gas use. As shown in ANGC Exhibit 2.01R, page 1 of 2;  
438 DEU's COS results show that TSS customers have been providing a well above  
439 system average rate of return, while TSL customers have had a substantially  
440 below system average rate of return. Moreover, I demonstrate in ANGC Exhibit

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<sup>15</sup> The Rebuttal Testimony of OCS Witness Daniel, page 14, lines 309-311.



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441 2.03R and ANGC Exhibit 2.01SR that alternative weightings of design day and  
442 annual throughput requirements for the allocation of distribution demand costs do  
443 not substantially alter the relative rates of return for TSS and TSL customers.  
444 The table below summarizes the TSS and TSL rates of return under the  
445 alternative demand weightings suggested by ANGC and UAE, OCS, and DEU in  
446 this proceeding:

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**Table 1SR**

**Impact of Alternative Weightings for Design Day Demand  
And Annual Throughput on TSS and TSL Rates of Return**

|     | Design Day/<br>Annual Throughput<br>Weighting | TSS<br>Return on<br>Rate Base | TSL<br>Return on<br>Rate Base |        |
|-----|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| 453 |   |                               |                               |        |
| 454 |   |                               |                               |        |
| 455 |   |                               |                               |        |
| 456 |   |                               |                               |        |
| 457 | ANGC and UAE                                  | 68/32                         | 8.99%                         | 1.49%  |
| 458 | DEU   | 60/60                         | 9.11%                         | 0.75%  |
| 459 | OCS   | 50/50                         | 9.27%                         | -0.03% |
| 460 | System Average ROR                            |                               | 6.93%                         | 6.93%  |

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462 All of these COS results indicate that the TSS rate of return is more than  
463 200 basis points above the system average rate of return while the TSL rate of  
464 return is far below the system average rate of return. Delaying the creation of  
465 TSS and TSL classes may appear to be a reasonable answer for a witness  
466 whose clients are not directly affected by this issue. It is not a reasonable

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467 answer for smaller TS customers who are directly and adversely impacted by the  
468 Company's TS rate proposals in this proceeding.

469 The data in Table 1SR strongly suggest that if there is a need for a  
470 moratorium on customer additions to the TS class, it is for a moratorium on new  
471 large TS customer (i.e., TSL customer) additions.

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473 **Q. BOTH DEU WITNESS SUMMERS AND OCS WITNESS DANIEL ARGUE**  
474 **THAT A MORATORIUM ON THE MIGRATION OF ADDITIONAL GS**  
475 **CUSTOMERS TO THE TS CLASS IS NECESSARY TO STABILIZE RATE**  
476 **DESIGN PARAMETERS AND AVOID FURTHER EROSION OF TS CLASS**  
477 **COST RECOVERY. HOW DO YOU RESPOND?**

478 A. Again, their concerns are misplaced, and ignore available cost of service  
479 evidence in this proceeding that shows TSS customers (i.e., TS customers using  
480 less than 35,000 Dth per year) providing a well above average rate of return. In  
481 that context, there is **no justification** for proposals that would restrict further  
482 movement of customers using less than 35,000 Dth per year from migrating from  
483 the GS class to transportation service.

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485 **Q. DO YOU ACCEPT WITNESS SUMMERS' REPRESENTATION (AT PAGE 20,**  
486 **LINES 487-489) THAT APPLICATION OF DEMAND AND ADMINISTRATIVE**  
487 **CHARGES TO THE COMPANY'S LONE MT CUSTOMER "WOULD NOT**  
488 **CHANGE THE AMOUNT PAID BY THAT CUSTOMER"?**

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489 A. No. Witness Summers' argument is premised on the assumption that the  
490 revenue requirement for the MT class is set in a manner totally independent of  
491 any cost of service considerations. However, the MT class is included with the  
492 TS class for cost allocation purposes, and there is nothing in that analysis that  
493 enables the Company or this Commission to differentiate the cost recovery  
494 performance of the MT class from that for the TS class. In that context, we  
495 should expect to see the MT class receive the same overall revenue increase as  
496 the TS class. But, DEU has proposed a **decrease** in its overall revenue  
497 requirement for Rate MT while the TS class would experience an overall revenue  
498 **increase in excess of 50%**. DEU offers no justification for this dramatic  
499 difference in its treatment of its MT and TS customers. Moreover, the  
500 Commission is provided no basis for assessing the appropriateness of the level  
501 of cost recovery derived from the Company's MT customer. Again, sound  
502 application of cost of service considerations is noticeably lacking.

503 Only by applying rates to DEU's MT customer that are comparable to  
504 those billed to TS customers would this Commission be provided any basis for  
505 assessing the reasonableness and appropriateness of the charges DEU  
506 proposes to apply to its rate schedule MT customer. Again, given that the  
507 Company's MT customer is treated as part of the TS class for cost allocation  
508 purposes and no information or analysis is provided to show the actual level of  
509 cost recovery from that customer, this Commission can only conclude that DEU's

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510 differentiated revenue increases for TS and MT service are unduly  
511 discriminatory.

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513 **Q. SHOULD THE COMMISSION ACCEPT WITNESS SUMMERS' REPRESENTATION (PAGE 20, LINES THAT ANGC WITNESS CHISHOLM'S**  
514 **"SIMPLE COMPARISON TO OTHER STATES ... COMPLETELY IGNORES**  
515 **THE IMPORTANT HISTORY THAT HAS RESULTED IN THESE POLICIES,**  
516 **RATES, AND AGREEMENTS, AND THE SPECIFIC NATURE OF DEU'S**  
517 **SYSTEM?**

519 A. No. Witness Summers' Rebuttal gives the impression that the "*history*" of  
520 "*policies, rates, and agreements*" to which he refers has necessarily built a sound  
521 foundation for DEU's transportation service rates and policies. Yet, his own  
522 Direct Testimony highlights his perception of major ratemaking problems that  
523 have resulted from that history of "*history*" of "*policies, rates, and agreements.*"  
524 DEU might be better served attributing more time to comparisons of its practices  
525 with those used for transportation service offerings in other states, and  
526 developing a more substantive basis for how the specific characteristics of DEU's  
527 system sets it apart from the other jurisdictions with respect to the structuring of  
528 transportation service rates and the needed offerings. As explained by DEU  
529 Witness Summers, the Company's current policies are premised on nothing more  
530 than allegations of potential harms and undocumented characteristics of the DEU

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531 system that purportedly differentiate DEU and its Utah gas distribution utility  
532 operations from utilities in other states.

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**VI. TS ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE**

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536 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE**  
537 **CHARGE ANALYSIS THAT DEU WITNESS SUMMERS PRESENTS IN DEU**  
538 **EXHIBIT 4.01R?**

539 A. The analysis presented in DEU Exhibit 4.01R only corrects for a previously  
540 recognized error in the costs the Company had included in its Administrative  
541 Charge analysis. As I noted in my Direct Testimony, the Administrative Charge  
542 analysis previously presented in DEU Exhibit 4.12 erroneously included costs for  
543 Pioneer – TRM Tracker Software Support, which the Company noted in  
544 discovery was not actually used in its provision of services to TS customers. . . :

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546 **Q. WITH THE CORRECTION PRESENTED IN DEU EXHIBIT 4.01R, SHOULD**  
547 **THE COMMISSION ACCEPT DEU’S ADMINISTRATE CHARGE ANALYSIS?**

548 A. No. Although Witness Summers submits that the Company’s Administrative  
549 Charge analysis is cost-based, the Commission must question the appro-  
550 priateness of the costs included in that analysis and the extent to which those  
551 costs duplicate costs already included in other charges that DEU proposes for TS  
552 customers.

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553 DEU did not directly track its incurrence of costs to support services  
554 provided to TS customers, rather it went back after the fact and estimated the  
555 costs it thought should be attributed to TS customer support activities. Also  
556 importantly, DEU offers no evidence that would suggest that its claimed  
557 Administrative Costs are incremental to the costs that it already allocated to the  
558 TS class in its class costs of service study, nor does the Company explain how  
559 its claimed Administrative Costs relate to cost classification categories to which it  
560 has assigned all of its allocated costs for each rate class.<sup>16</sup>

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562 **Q. DEU WITNESS SUMMERS TESTIFIES THAT REMOVING THE**  
563 **ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE FROM RATE SCHEDULE TS WOULD SIMPLY**  
564 **RESULT IN AN INCREASE SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THE RATE DESIGN. DO**  
565 **YOU AGREE?**

566 A. I do. However, where in the TS rate design those costs are recovered is  
567 important to the equity of charges applied to individual customers within that  
568 class. The Company's cost of service allocations for TSS and TSL customers  
569 indicate that DEU's current Rate Schedule TS charges substantially over-recover  
570 customer-related costs (including Administrative Costs) from TSS customers and  
571 under-recover customer-related costs for TSL customers. Thus, a reduction in

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<sup>16</sup> See the "Classification" worksheet associated with each of the cost of service allocation models provided by DEU in this proceeding including DEU Exhibit 4.18; DEU Exhibit 4.02R; DEU's response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5; DEU's response to DPU Data Request 11.01; Attachment 5, and DEU's response to USM Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5.

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572 the level of per customer charges for TSS customers is necessary and  
573 appropriate.

574 To understand this matter more fully, the Commission must first recognize  
575 that the Company's class cost of service analyses are designed to address **ALL**  
576 **costs** included in DEU's requested revenue requirement in this case.  
577 Administrative costs are NOT an addition to the Company's overall costs of  
578 service and revenue requirement. However, since there is no separate  
579 classification for Administrative Costs in DEU's cost classifications, we must  
580 assume that DEU's Administrative Costs are included in its allocated Customer  
581 Costs.

582 DEU's response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5, includes a  
583 spreadsheet labeled "Classification." From that spreadsheet I have extracted  
584 the data presented below in Table 2SR. Table 2SR indicates that the Company's  
585 allocated Customer Costs for TSS and TSL customers differ by more than an  
586 order of magnitude. The average monthly Customer Cost for TSS customers is  
587 **\$139.31**. The average monthly Customer Cost for TSL customers is **\$1,676.84**.  
588 Moreover, Table 3SR demonstrates that DEU's combined BSF and  
589 Administrative Charges for TSS customers over-collect the Company's allocated  
590 Customer Costs for those customers, while the same charges applied to Large  
591 TS customers (i.e., TS customers using more than 35,000 Dth per year)  
592 significantly under recover their allocated Customer Costs.

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594 **Table 2SR**  
595 **Allocated Customer-Related Costs**  
596 *Based on DEU's 60/40 Weighting of Design Day and Annual Throughput*  
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|              | Allocated<br>Customer<br>Costs | Number<br>of<br>Customers | Annual<br>Customer<br>Costs per<br>Customer | Monthly<br>Customer<br>Costs per<br>Customer |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| 603 TSS      | \$ 1,570,497                   | 937                       | \$ 1,671.17                                 | \$ 139.31                                    |
| 604 TSL      | \$ 4,646,274                   | 230                       | \$ 20,122.08                                | \$1,676.84                                   |
| 605 Total TS | \$1,616,882                    | 1,109                     | \$ 5,311.37                                 | \$ 442.61                                    |

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608 **Table 3SR**  
609 **Monthly Customer-Related Revenue and Costs**  
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|           | Customer<br>Charge<br>Revenue | Admin<br>Charge<br>Revenue | Customer<br>+ Admin<br>Charge<br>Revenue | Allocated<br>Monthly<br>Customer<br>Costs <sup>17</sup> | Over-<br>(Under-)<br>Recovery |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------|
| 616 TSS   |                               |                            |  |   |                               |
| 617 BSF 1 | \$ 6.75                       | \$ 375.00                  | \$ 381.75                                | \$ 139.31   | \$ 242.44                     |
| 618 BSF 2 | \$ 18.25                      | \$ 375.00                  | \$ 393.25                                | \$ 139.31   | \$ 253.94                     |
| 619 BSF 3 | \$ 63.50                      | \$ 375.00                  | \$ 438.50                                | \$ 139.31   | \$ 299.19                     |
| 620 TSL   |                               |                            |  |   |                               |
| 621 BSF 2 | \$ 18.25                      | \$ 375.00                  | \$ 393.25                                | \$ 1,676.84   | \$(1,287.92)                  |
| 622 BSF 3 | \$ 63.50                      | \$ 375.00                  | \$ 438.50                                | \$ 1,676.84   | \$(1,242.67)                  |
| 623 BSF 4 | \$ 420.25                     | \$ 375.00                  | \$ 795.25                                | \$ 1,676.84   | \$( 885.92)                   |

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<sup>17</sup> The allocated monthly customer costs shown in this table reflect the average monthly costs for all customers within the TSS class and average monthly costs for all customers within the TSL class based upon the "Classification" worksheet found in DEU's response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5. Although the Company's workpapers indicate that customers with larger meters have greater customer-related cost responsibilities.



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**VII. TIMING OF TS CUSTOMER ENROLLMENT**

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627 **Q. WITNESS SUMMERS REBUTTAL TESTIMONY AT PAGE 18 OFFERS THE**  
628 **COMPANY'S RATIONALES FOR NOT OFFERING ON-GOING (ROLLING**  
629 **ENROLLMENT) OPPORTUNITIES FOR CUSTOMERS TO TRANSFER TO**  
630 **GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE. DO YOU FIND MERIT IN THE**  
631 **COMPANY'S POSITION?**

632 A. No. Most gas distribution utilities that offer transportation services continue to  
633 have an obligation to provide gas supply to customers who wish to purchase  
634 such supplies from the utility. Yet, few find it necessary to impose the level of  
635 restrictions on when customers can transfer to transportation service and take  
636 advantage of often more economic competitive gas supply alternatives. I respect  
637 that the Company must arrange for gas supplies well in advance of each winter  
638 season, but the reality is that gas supply planning is always undertaken in the  
639 face of considerable uncertainties regarding the time and magnitude of the  
640 customer demands that the Company will have to serve. Variations in weather,  
641 changes in energy use efficiencies, and the addition or loss of customers cannot  
642 be predicted with certainty even in the absence of competitive gas supply  
643 alternatives.

644 Other gas utilities have found that they can meet their gas supply  
645 obligations while still providing customers substantial ability to choose when they  
646 transfer to gas transportation service. As I explained in my Direct Testimony,

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647           there are established mechanisms in other jurisdictions for addressing concerns  
648           DEU Witness Summers discusses.<sup>18</sup> DEU has simply chosen not to investigate  
649           the details of those mechanisms and present its assessment of them for this  
650           Commission's consideration.

651                     Further, my Rebuttal Testimony also observes that annual Dth of gas use  
652           that DEU expects to transfer to transportation service is small in comparison to  
653           the Company's overall gas supply requirements. As I noted in my Phase II  
654           Rebuttal Testimony (ANGC Exhibit 2R), the Attachment to DEU's response to  
655           ANGC Data Request 1.04 indicates that the migration the Company expects that  
656           would lower GS class annual throughput by only **837,883 Dth** or about **0.8%**.  
657           These impacts are small relative to DEU's overall gas supply planning  
658           requirements and small relative to potential weather related impacts on those  
659           requirements. Moreover, despite the Company's projected migration of  
660           customers from the GS class to the TS class, DEU projects a net growth in GS  
661           class annual gas volume requirements.

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<sup>18</sup> The Wexpro concerns that Witness Summers discusses in his Rebuttal Testimony (page 18, lines 445-450) are not substantially different than those associated with the Company's overall gas supply. His suggestion that having customer enrollments in transportation service spread throughout the year "*could cause serious problems for both gas purchases and Wexpro production,*" has not been substantiated. He also, once again, ignores other potential remedies for such concerns. For example, while consulting for the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, I worked cooperatively with the local gas utility to develop a mechanism under which a transportation customer who returned to gas sales service during the winter season without advance notice is subjected to a surcharge that enables the utility to recover any incremental gas supply costs such a return to gas sales service might impose. That mechanism has been in place for more than five years and has been implemented with few problems or complaints.

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**VIII. PEAK HOUR CHARGE**

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665 **Q. WHAT IS DEU WITNESS SUMMERS' POSITION REGARDING PEAK HOUR**  
666 **COSTS IN THE SNG RATE?**

667 A. Witness Summers testifies that customers who do not maintain uniform hourly  
668 use during a peak day use gas that Dominion purchases under peak hour  
669 contracts and should be required to pay for the services they use.

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671 **Q. HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO WITNESS SUMMERS' REBUTTAL**  
672 **REGARDING PEAK HOUR COSTS?**

673 A. First, I fully agree that Transportation Service customers should pay for Peak  
674 Hour Costs to the extent that they use gas on less than a uniform hourly basis on  
675 peak days and rely on the Company to meet variations in their hourly gas supply  
676 requirements. However, Witness Summers' Rebuttal Testimony is less than fully  
677 expository on this matter and is **inconsistent** with provisions of the Company's  
678 tariff relating to "Hold Burn to Scheduled Quantity Restrictions" on tariff page 5-  
679 16 and gas revenues on tariff page 2-12.

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681 **Q. HOW IS WITNESS SUMMERS' REBUTTAL TESTIMONY INCONSISTENT**  
682 **WITH THE "HOLD BURN TO SCHEDULED QUANTITY RESTRICTIONS" ON**  
683 **PAGE 5-16 OF DEU'S TARIFF?**

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684 A. he “Hold Burn to Scheduled Quantity Restrictions” section on page 5-16 of the  
685 Company’s Transportation Service tariff provide that when DEU determines such  
686 actions are required to maintain safe and reliable service, the Company will issue  
687 a **Hold Burn to Scheduled Quantity** restriction through and Operational Flow  
688 Order (“OFO”). As further established in that section of DEU’s tariff:

689 *The Company reserves the right to take any action reasonably*  
690 *necessary to restrict deliveries or usage **in order to maintain a***  
691 ***balanced distribution system when required for system***  
692 ***integrity. A **balancing penalty** of \$5 per Dth plus the Gas Daily***  
693 ***Market Index Price gas cost will be applied to the lesser of 10% of***  
694 ***the customer’s usage during the restriction period, or the***  
695 ***customer’s gas usage in excess of the customer’s confirmed***  
696 ***scheduled quantity of gas received into the DEU system. For all***  
697 ***additional usage in excess of the customer’s scheduled quantity,***  
698 ***the penalty will be \$25 per Dth plus the Gas Daily Market Index***  
699 ***Price gas cost. (Emphasis Added.)***

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701 Firm sales service customers are not subject to such Hold Burn to Scheduled  
702 Quantity restrictions nor are they subject to imbalance penalties.

703 The Company’s tariff also specifically provides that “**hourly measurement**  
704 **data will be used**” to enforce such restrictions, and that “[Transportation Service  
705 c]ustomers failing to comply with a Hold Burn to Scheduled Quantity restriction  
706 issued by the Company **may also be subject to immediate termination or**  
707 **restriction of service.**” In the context of these tariff provisions that are not  
708 applicable to sales service customers, DEU’s inclusion of SNG peak hour costs  
709 in the demand charges billed to TS customers on the basis of their “Maximum  
710 Daily Contract Demands” cannot be justified.

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711           Second, Witness Summers' Rebuttal Testimony inaccurately suggests  
712 that the penalties and procedures mentioned in my Direct Testimony "are for  
713 *different reasons than what the peak hour charges cover.*"<sup>19</sup> However, page 2-12  
714 of the Company's tariff specifically defines SNG Revenues to include  
715 "transportation imbalance charge revenues. As stated therein:

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717                     *SNG Revenues = The sum of each firm and interruptible sales*  
718                     *schedule's SNG rate multiplied by the respective sales volumes*  
719                     *less the allowance for bad debt related to these revenues and*  
720                     ***includes the sum of the transportation imbalance charge***  
721                     ***revenues** collected from transportation customers. (Emphasis*  
722                     *Added).*  
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724   **Q.    SHOULD THE COMMISSION HAVE ANY FURTHER CONCERNS REGARD-**  
725   **ING DEU'S BILLING OF SNG CHARGES TO TRANSPORTATION SERVICE**  
726   **CUSTOMERS?**

727   **A.**   Yes. The Commission is asked to recognize that DEU's inclusion of SNG  
728 charges in the Demand Charges billed to TS customers is wholly inappropriate  
729 and unjustified. The Company's tariff requires that copies of the competitive gas  
730 supply contracts for TS customers must be provided to DEU by February 28th in  
731 the year they elect to transfer to transportation service.<sup>20</sup> The contracts TS  
732 customers provide specify both the **Firm Daily Contract Demand** and the  
733 **Maximum Hourly Flow Rate** for which the TS customer has contracted. Thus,  
734 DEU has information regarding each TS customer's daily and hourly contractual

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<sup>19</sup> The Rebuttal Testimony of DEU Witness Summers, page 17, lines 417-419

<sup>20</sup> DEU Exhibit 5.01, page 5-2.

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735 supply commitments to use in its planning of peak hour gas supply requirements.  
736 In addition, DEU requires that each TS customer location must have telemetering  
737 equipment installed (at the customer's expense), and telemetry provides DEU  
738 real time information regarding their hourly as well as daily usage. Thus, the  
739 Company has significant ability to manage the peak hour requirements of TS  
740 customers that it does not have in place for its gas sales service customers.

741 Further, the Commission is asked to recognize that DEU bills Peak Hour  
742 SNG costs to TS customers on the basis of TS customers' "Maximum Daily  
743 Contract Demands," not on measures of TS customers' contributions to the  
744 Company's peak hour service requirements. If "Peak Hour Costs" are to be  
745 billed to TS customers, they should only be billed on the basis of their measured  
746 Peak Hour use, if any, in excess of their contracted **Maximum Hourly Flow Rate**  
747 for which no imbalance penalty charges are assessed. Yet, that is not DEU's  
748 practice. DEU bills TS customers SNG charges on the basis of their **full**  
749 **Maximum Daily Contract Demands** even though those demands are satisfied  
750 fully by their third-party competitive supplier. As a result, DEU is billing SNG  
751 costs to TS customers on an inappropriate measure of demand (i.e., on Daily  
752 Demand as opposed to excess Peak Hour demands). In doing so, DEU ignores  
753 the fact that TS customers are subject to penalty charges and/or termination of  
754 service if they contribute to peak hour gas supply requirements during a period  
755 that DEU determines it must take action to ensure a balanced distribution system  
756 for system integrity purposes.

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**IX. CONCLUSION**

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759 **Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY CONCLUDING COMMENTS?**

760 A. I do. Interclass and intra-class rate subsidies are at the core of the issues before  
761 the Commission in this phase of the proceeding. Throughout DEU's current rate  
762 offerings, the ties between the Company's costs of providing service and the  
763 rates billed to customers, if any, are almost non-existent. A key focus of the  
764 Commission in this proceeding should be on identifying cost allocation methods  
765 that reflect actual cost-causative relationships for DEU and enable the Company  
766 to design rates in a manner that equitably assigns cost responsibilities both  
767 among rate classes and among individual customers within each rate class. The  
768 Company's desire to move toward more cost-based rates is reasonable. But,  
769 after years of non-cost based charges and significant interclass and intra-class  
770 rate subsidies, the economic dislocations that can result from a one-time  
771 adjustment to rates (or even a three-step phase-in of rate adjustments imple-  
772 mented over a period as short as two years) could be substantial.

773 DEU entered this proceeding arguing that the migration of smaller  
774 commercial, industrial, municipal and institutional customers from gas sales  
775 service to transportation service has significantly eroded its cost recovery from  
776 the TS rate class. However, the record ANGC has developed shows that to be a  
777 false premise. In fact, DEU has earned a rate of return from TS customers using  
778 less than 35,000 Dth per year in the range of **9.00%** while its system average

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779 rate of return at present rates is less than 7.00%. In other words, Small TS  
780 customers have paid rates well in excess of their fully allocated costs. DEU's  
781 service to Large TS customers, on the other hand, is heavily subsidized, and the  
782 Company's rate of return from those customers indicates that they are paying  
783 significantly less than their fully allocated costs of service.

784 In the context of these results, no justification exists for restricting  
785 migration of smaller customers to the TS class. Small TS customers are  
786 contributing in a very positive manner to the Company's earnings and, contrary to  
787 DEU's representations, Small TS customers are not the source of its TS class  
788 cost recovery problems. Moreover, ANGC's testimony in this proceeding  
789 documents multiple instances in which DEU's existing and proposed policies and  
790 charges for TS customers, and particularly for Small TS customers, unjustifiably  
791 add to the costs that are billed to those customers. Through inappropriately high  
792 Administrative Charges, unjustified billing of peak hour SNG costs to TS  
793 customers, unduly restrictive TS enrollment procedures, and an unwarranted  
794 restriction of further migration of sales service customers to TS rates, DEU is  
795 improperly discouraging further expansion of its TS class and denying customers  
796 opportunities to lower their overall costs of gas service. DEU's rates and policies  
797 that discourage use of transportation service need to be terminated.

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799 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

800 A. Yes. It does.



**COST OF SERVICE SUMMARY AND ALLOCATIONS TO RATE CLASSES**

DEU Response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5, COS Summary Revised for 50/50 Factor 230 Weighting

| Description                         | Utah Jurisdiction                                |                      |                      |                    |                 | Allocations to Rate Classes |                     |                     |                    |                   |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                                     | DNG Related                                      | GS                   | FS                   | IS                 | TS              | TSS<br>< 35,000 Dth         | TSL<br>> 35,000 Dth | TBF                 | NGV                |                   |
| <b>1 NET INCOME SUMMARY</b>         |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| <b>2 Utility Operating Revenue</b>  |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| 3                                   | System Distribution Non-Gas Rev                  | 378,376,157          | 343,132,042          | 2,672,222          | 186,328         | 0                           | 10,526,646          | 17,723,918          | 1,500,658          | 2,634,344         |
| 4                                   | System Supplier Non-Gas Reven                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 5                                   | System Commodity Revenue                         | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 6                                   | Pass-Through Related Other Rev                   | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 7                                   | General Related Other Revenue                    | 10,750,615           | 9,772,068            | 63,656             | 3,054           | 0                           | 212,050             | 600,584             | 83,689             | 15,514            |
| 8                                   | <b>Total Utility Operating Revenue</b>           | <b>389,126,772</b>   | <b>352,904,110</b>   | <b>2,735,878</b>   | <b>189,382</b>  | <b>0</b>                    | <b>10,738,695</b>   | <b>18,324,502</b>   | <b>1,584,347</b>   | <b>2,649,858</b>  |
| <b>9 Utility Operating Expenses</b> |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| <b>10 Gas Purchase Expenses</b>     |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| 11                                  | Utah Value of Peaking Supply                     | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 12                                  | <b>Total Gas Purchase Expenses</b>               | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>           | <b>0</b>        | <b>0</b>                    | <b>0</b>            | <b>0</b>            | <b>0</b>           | <b>0</b>          |
| <b>13 O&amp;M Expenses</b>          |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| 14                                  | Production                                       | (838,701)            | (709,710)            | (6,199)            | (281)           | 0                           | (20,275)            | (75,750)            | (9,579)            | (16,908)          |
| 15                                  | Distribution                                     | 55,486,323           | 46,952,609           | 410,109            | 18,560          | 0                           | 1,341,315           | 5,011,414           | 633,741            | 1,118,574         |
| 16                                  | Customer Accounts                                | 12,536,206           | 12,020,402           | 42,249             | 2,903           | 0                           | 161,032             | 257,652             | 21,408             | 30,560            |
| 17                                  | Customer Service & Information                   | 3,047,465            | 2,326,920            | 39,201             | 30,642          | 0                           | 194,371             | 416,918             | 31,709             | 7,703             |
| 18                                  | Administrative & General                         | 49,477,895           | 43,199,383           | 382,429            | 16,800          | 0                           | 1,174,460           | 4,124,633           | 551,633            | 28,557            |
| 19                                  | <b>Total O&amp;M Expense</b>                     | <b>119,709,188</b>   | <b>103,789,604</b>   | <b>867,790</b>     | <b>68,625</b>   | <b>0</b>                    | <b>2,850,903</b>    | <b>9,734,868</b>    | <b>1,228,911</b>   | <b>1,168,487</b>  |
| <b>20 Other Operating Expenses</b>  |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| 21                                  | Depreciation, Depletion, Amortiz                 | 85,423,490           | 74,458,512           | 639,105            | 29,431          | 0                           | 2,057,430           | 7,225,571           | 966,355            | 47,085            |
| 22                                  | Taxes Other Than Income Taxes                    | 28,343,362           | 24,675,495           | 207,031            | 9,866           | 0                           | 689,709             | 2,422,216           | 323,950            | 15,096            |
| 23                                  | Income Taxes                                     | 29,744,657           | 29,550,730           | 189,591            | 17,116          | 0                           | 1,059,413           | (1,009,668)         | (331,390)          | 268,865           |
| 24                                  | <b>Total Other Operating Expenses</b>            | <b>143,511,509</b>   | <b>128,684,737</b>   | <b>1,035,728</b>   | <b>56,413</b>   | <b>0</b>                    | <b>3,806,552</b>    | <b>8,638,118</b>    | <b>958,915</b>     | <b>331,046</b>    |
| 25                                  | <b>Total Utility Operating Expenses</b>          | <b>263,220,697</b>   | <b>232,474,341</b>   | <b>1,903,518</b>   | <b>125,038</b>  | <b>0</b>                    | <b>6,657,455</b>    | <b>18,372,986</b>   | <b>2,187,826</b>   | <b>1,499,533</b>  |
| 26                                  | <b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>                      | <b>125,906,075</b>   | <b>120,429,768</b>   | <b>832,361</b>     | <b>64,344</b>   | <b>0</b>                    | <b>4,081,240</b>    | <b>(48,483)</b>     | <b>(603,480)</b>   | <b>1,150,325</b>  |
| <b>27 RATE BASE SUMMARY</b>         |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| <b>28 Net Utility Plant</b>         |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| 29                                  | 101 Gas Plant In Service                         | 3,244,815,858        | 2,819,014,734        | 24,955,773         | 1,096,321       | 0                           | 76,640,457          | 269,156,656         | 35,997,278         | 17,954,640        |
| 30                                  | 105 Gas Plant Held For Future Use                | 5,037                | 4,385                | 37                 | 2               | 0                           | 123                 | 430                 | 58                 | 3                 |
| 31                                  | 106 Completed Construction Not Clas              | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 32                                  | 108 Accumulated Depreciation                     | (799,516,884)        | (702,979,241)        | (7,011,111)        | (254,768)       | 0                           | (17,810,062)        | (62,547,862)        | (8,365,213)        | (548,627)         |
| 33                                  | 111 Accumulated Amort & Depletion                | (5,624,786)          | (5,466,487)          | (137,392)          | (22)            | 0                           | (1,564)             | (5,493)             | (735)              | (13,093)          |
| 34                                  | 254 Other Regulatory Liabilities                 | (404,258,011)        | (352,555,388)        | (3,056,292)        | (138,640)       | 0                           | (9,691,915)         | (34,037,419)        | (4,552,198)        | (226,160)         |
| 35                                  | <b>Total Net Utility Plant</b>                   | <b>2,035,421,214</b> | <b>1,758,018,004</b> | <b>14,751,014</b>  | <b>702,892</b>  | <b>0</b>                    | <b>49,137,039</b>   | <b>172,566,313</b>  | <b>23,079,190</b>  | <b>17,166,762</b> |
| <b>36 Other Rate Base Accounts</b>  |  |                      |                      |                    |                 |                             |                     |                     |                    |                   |
| 37                                  | 154 Materials & Supplies                         | 24,807,024           | 21,659,129           | 191,741            | 8,423           | 0                           | 588,846             | 2,067,992           | 276,575            | 14,318            |
| 38                                  | 164-1 Gas Stored Underground                     | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 39                                  | 165 Prepayments                                  | 2,774,808            | 2,422,698            | 21,447             | 942             | 0                           | 65,866              | 231,317             | 30,937             | 1,602             |
| 40                                  | 190008 Accum Deferred Income Tax Fe              | 31,711,929           | 27,687,834           | 245,111            | 10,768          | 0                           | 752,748             | 2,643,606           | 353,559            | 18,303            |
| 41                                  | 190008 Accum Deferred Income Tax St              | 7,523,879            | 6,569,134            | 58,154             | 2,555           | 0                           | 178,595             | 627,214             | 83,884             | 4,343             |
| 42                                  | 235-1 Customer Deposits                          | (5,361,639)          | (5,353,307)          | (2,225)            | (91)            | 0                           | (4,712)             | (1,158)             | (30)               | (116)             |
| 43                                  | 252 Misc Customer Credits                        | 1                    | 1                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 44                                  | 253-1 Unclaimed Customer Deposits                | (36,874)             | (36,816)             | (15)               | (1)             | 0                           | (32)                | (8)                 | (0)                | (1)               |
| 45                                  | 255 Deferred Investment Tax Credits              | 0                    | 0                    | 0                  | 0               | 0                           | 0                   | 0                   | 0                  | 0                 |
| 46                                  | 282 Accum Deferred Income Taxes                  | (294,564,927)        | (257,137,181)        | (2,268,522)        | (100,186)       | 0                           | (7,003,710)         | (24,596,605)        | (3,289,574)        | (169,148)         |
| 47                                  | Working Capital - Cash                           | 13,938,535           | 12,169,800           | 107,735            | 4,733           | 0                           | 330,860             | 1,161,960           | 155,402            | 8,045             |
| 48                                  | <b>Total Other Rate Base Accounts</b>            | <b>(219,207,263)</b> | <b>(192,018,708)</b> | <b>(1,646,574)</b> | <b>(72,856)</b> | <b>0</b>                    | <b>(5,091,540)</b>  | <b>(17,865,682)</b> | <b>(2,389,249)</b> | <b>(122,654)</b>  |
| 49                                  | <b>TOTAL RATE BASE</b>                           | <b>1,816,213,951</b> | <b>1,565,999,296</b> | <b>13,104,441</b>  | <b>630,036</b>  | <b>0</b>                    | <b>44,045,499</b>   | <b>154,700,630</b>  | <b>20,689,941</b>  | <b>17,044,108</b> |
| 50                                  | Return On Rate Base- Actual                      | 6.932337%            | 7.69%                | 6.35%              | 10.21%          | 0.00%                       | 9.27%               | -0.03%              | -2.92%             | 6.75%             |
| 51                                  | Return On Equity - Actual                        | 9.05%                | 10.43%               | 8.00%              | 15.02%          | -3.55%                      | 13.30%              | -3.61%              | -8.85%             | 8.72%             |
| 52                                  | Cost of Service (Line 25 + Line 26)              | 389,126,772          | 352,904,110          | 2,735,878          | 189,382         | 0                           | 10,738,695          | 18,324,502          | 1,584,347          | 2,649,858         |
| 53                                  | Deficiency (((Line 48 * Line 57) - Line 26) * T. | 19,249,740           | 786,800              | 240,241            | (20,853)        | 0                           | (902,353)           | 15,989,897          | 2,933,761          | 222,248           |

## Dominion Energy Utah

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### Assignment of Costs to Cost Classification Categories

For TSS and TSL Customers Using a 35,000 Dth Usage Threshold for TSL Customers

#### Based on 60/40 Weighting of Factor 230

From DEU's Response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5, Classification

|                    | TSS                 | TSL                 | Total<br>TS          |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Customer           | \$ 1,566,714        | \$ 4,634,308        | \$ 6,201,022         |
| Distribution Plant | \$ 4,461,811        | \$ 12,296,183       | \$ 16,757,994        |
| Throughput         | \$ 1,664,360        | \$ 4,285,659        | \$ 5,950,019         |
| Demand             | <u>\$ 2,013,400</u> | <u>\$ 9,542,491</u> | <u>\$ 11,555,891</u> |
| Total              | \$ 9,706,285        | \$ 30,758,641       | \$ 40,464,926        |

#### Based on 68/32 Weighting of Factor 230

From DEU's Response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5, with Revised Weighting

|                    | TSS                 | TSL                 | Total<br>TS          |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Customer           | \$ 1,581,154        | \$ 4,326,838        | \$ 5,907,992         |
| Distribution Plant | \$ 4,466,662        | \$ 11,384,227       | \$ 15,850,889        |
| Throughput         | \$ 1,345,477        | \$ 2,939,524        | \$ 4,285,001         |
| Demand             | <u>\$ 2,261,590</u> | <u>\$ 9,412,141</u> | <u>\$ 11,673,731</u> |
| Total              | \$ 9,654,883        | \$ 28,062,730       | \$ 37,717,613        |

**Dominion Energy Utah***Docket No. 19-057-02***Comparison of Allocated Customer Costs and  
Combined Customer and Administrative Charge Revenues***TSS/TSL Split Based on a 35,000 Dth Usage Threshold*

|  | <b>TSS</b>          | <b>TSL</b>            | <b>Total<br/>TS</b> |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Customer Charge Revenue 1/                           | \$ 1,247,615        | \$ 948,270            | \$ 2,195,885        |
| Admin Charge Revenue 1/                              | <u>\$ 4,075,875</u> | <u>\$ 842,625</u>     | <u>\$ 4,918,500</u> |
| Combined Customer Charge<br>and Admin Charge Revenue | \$ 5,323,490        | \$ 1,790,895          | \$ 7,114,385        |
| Allocated Customer Costs                             | <u>\$ 1,566,714</u> | <u>\$ 4,634,308</u>   | <u>\$ 6,201,022</u> |
| <b>Over/(Under) Recovery<br/>of Customer Costs</b>   | <b>\$ 3,756,776</b> | <b>\$ (2,843,413)</b> | <b>\$ 913,363</b>   |

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1/ From DEU's response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5, Rate Design worksheets.

2/ From DEU's response to UAE Data Request 2.01, Attachment 5, Classification worksheet.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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