

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

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Pass-through Application of Enbridge Gas Utah for an Adjustment in Rates and Charges for Natural Gas Service in Utah

DOCKET NO.
24-057-16

Application of Enbridge Gas Utah for an Adjustment to the Daily Transportation Imbalance Charge

DOCKET NO.
24-057-17

Application of Enbridge Gas Utah to Amortize the Energy Efficiency Deferred Account Balance

DOCKET NO.
24-057-18

Application of Enbridge Gas Utah Amortize the Conservation Enabling Tariff Balancing Account

DOCKET NO.
24-057-19

Application of Enbridge Gas Utah for an Adjustment to the Low Income/Energy Assistance Rate

DOCKET NO.
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Application of Enbridge Gas Utah to Change the Infrastructure Rate Adjustment

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Presiding Officer
The Public Service Commission

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4 Utah Attorney General's Office
5 For the Division of Public Utilities

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7 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK, ESQUIRE
8 For Enbridge Gas Utah

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13 ALSO PRESENT:

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15 Melissa R. Paschal
16 Administrative Assistant

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(Time noted: 11:04 a.m.)

JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Karen, I'm gonna go
ahead and begin.

THE COURT REPORTER: Go ahead.

JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Great.

Okay. Will you please start transcribing,
by the way, Karen, now?

So, good morning, everyone.

My name's John Delaney. I am the

1 Commission's designated presiding officer for this
2 hearing.

3 Today is October 25th, 2024, and it's
4 approximately 11:04 a.m. And this is the date and
5 time that is scheduled for the consolidated hearing
6 in six dockets.

7 First, Docket 24-057-16, which is the
8 Pass-Through Application of Enbridge Gas Utah for an
9 Adjustment in Rates and Charges for Natural Gas
10 Service in Utah.

11 The second docket is Docket 24-057-17.
12 That is the Application of Enbridge Gas Utah for an
13 Adjustment to the Daily Transportation Imbalance
14 Charge.

15 The third docket is Docket 24-057-18, which
16 is the Application of Enbridge Gas Utah to Amortize
17 the Energy Efficiency Deferred Account Balance.

18 The fourth docket is Docket 24-057-19.
19 That is the Application of Enbridge Gas Utah to
20 Amortize the Conservation Enabling Tariff Balancing
21 Account.

22 The fifth docket is Docket 24-057-20, which
23 is the Application of Enbridge Gas Utah for an
24 Adjustment to the Low Income/Energy Assistance Rate.

25 And finally, the sixth docket is

1 Docket 24-057-21, which is the Application of
2 Enbridge Gas Utah to Change the Infrastructure Rate
3 Adjustment.

4 Okay. Why don't with we start with
5 appearances for the applicant, please?

6 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

7 My name is Jennifer Nelson-Clark. I am
8 counsel for Enbridge Gas Utah.

9 I have a number of people with me today
10 that will be speaking on behalf of the Company.

11 I have Kelly Mendenhall here as a client
12 representative.

13 And in addition to Mr. Mendenhall, I have
14 Jessica Ipson, who will be the Company's witness on
15 the 16 docket.

16 I have Tyson Lowder, who will be the
17 Company's witness on the 17 docket.

18 I have Jordan Stephenson, who will be the
19 Company's witness on the 18 docket, the 19 docket and
20 the 20 docket.

21 And finally, I have with me Jesse Jackson,
22 who will be the Company's witness for the 21 docket.

23 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.

24 For the Division of Public Utilities.

25 PATRICK GRECU: Patrick Grecu, assistant

1 attorney general, representing the Division of Public
2 Utilities.

3 The Division's witnesses today will be Ryan
4 Daigle for the 16, 17, 19, and 20 dockets, Shauna
5 Benvegnu-Springer for the 18 docket, and Eric Orton
6 for the 21 docket.

7 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.

8 And I don't see anybody from the Office of
9 Consumer Services here.

10 Okay. Preliminary matters before we get
11 going here.

12 Clearly, you've all been a participant in
13 understanding that we have a remote court reporter.
14 And the report -- the reporter's name is Karen. And
15 Karen has made clear that she'd like to make sure
16 that everybody, when they testify, clearly identifies
17 themselves. Perhaps with a spelling of your -- of
18 your name as well. And as you heard me say, I have
19 let Karen know that she can interrupt any of us
20 whenever she needs to if we're not following her
21 rules.

22 Also, I want to make sure, because of the
23 compressed schedule here, that -- that we didn't miss
24 any filings. We didn't --

25 We don't -- we don't have a record of any

1 reply filings by EGU in this. Is that accurate?

2 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: That's correct.

3 JOHN DELANEY: And --

4 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: And it's
5 deliberate.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Great.

7 Okay. And as you heard, we're gonna go
8 sequentially. Karen's expecting us to start with 16
9 and then end with 21. So, if you bounce back and
10 forth, I'll try not to swear you in twice.

11 Okay. Why don't we go ahead with Docket --
12 the first docket, 24-057-16?

13 And to the applicants.

14 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you so much.
15 The Company calls Jessica Ipson.

16 JESSICA IPSON: Good morning.

17 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning.

18 Bring that closer to you, --

19 JESSICA IPSON: Okay.

20 JOHN DELANEY: -- will you, just in case?

21 JESSICA IPSON: Yeah.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Ms. Ipson, do you swear to
23 tell the truth?

24 JESSICA IPSON: Yes, I do.

25 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you. You're sworn in.

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JESSICA IPSON

was sworn and testified as follows:

JOHN DELANEY: Counsel, please proceed.

JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

EXAMINATION

BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

Q. Miss Ipson, will you state your full name and spell it for the record?

A. My name is Jessica Ipson. It's J-e-s-s-i-c-a, I-p-s-o-n.

Q. And can you also state your business address?

A. Yes.

Five thirty --

Oh. My business address is 333 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Q. And what position do you hold with the Company?

A. I'm a regulatory consultant.

Q. Miss Ipson, was the application and the accompanying Exhibits 1.01 through 1.11, were all of those things prepared by you or under your direction?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. And do you adopt them as your testimony

1 today?

2 A. Yes.

3 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: The Company would
4 move for the admission of the application in this
5 matter, along with EGU Exhibits 1.01 through 1.11.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

7 Any objection from the Division?

8 PATRICK GRECU: No objection.

9 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. The motion's granted.

10 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

11 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

12 Q. Miss Ipson, have you prepared a summary of the
13 relief the Company seeks in this docket?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Please proceed.

16 A. In pass-through Docket Number 24-057-16,
17 Enbridge Gas Utah respectfully asks the Utah Public
18 Service Commission for approval of about \$608.4
19 million in Utah gas cost coverage.

20 This represents an overall decrease of
21 about \$39.5 million.

22 The components of this decrease are, first,
23 a decrease of about \$41.2 million in commodity costs
24 and, second, an increase of about \$1.7 million in
25 supplier non-gas costs.

1 The decrease being proposed is due to lower
2 commodity prices for the test period.

3 The cost of purchased gas was developed
4 using the forecasted gas prices from both S&P Global
5 Platt forecasts and Platt Nymex Forward Curve.

6 The Company is proposing to keep the
7 commodity amortization rate at zero to help avoid
8 unnecessary rate volatility and increased rate
9 stabilization.

10 The Company will continue to monitor the
11 balance and file for an adjustment when circumstances
12 deem appropriate.

13 RIN proceeds of about 268,000 were
14 generated through the Company's CNG station,
15 decreasing the NGV class commodity by a credit of
16 \$1.34766.

17 The Company is also requesting to continue
18 to amortize under-collected SNG costs of about \$14.7
19 million, which leads to the credit amortization
20 charges shown on EGU Exhibit 1.5, Page 6.

21 If this application is approved, a typical
22 Utah GS customer using 70 dekatherms per year would
23 see a decrease of 22 dollars and 82 cents or an
24 annual decrease of about 3.45 percent.

25 These rates are just, reasonable and in the

1 public interest.

2 Therefore, we request the proposed rates be
3 allowed to go into effect on November 1st, 2024 on an
4 interim basis.

5 That concludes my testimony.

6 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Miss Ipson is
7 available for cross-examination and questions from
8 the Commission.

9 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.

10 Mr. Grecu, any questions for this witness?

11 PATRICK GRECU: No question.

12 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

13 I don't have any questions, either.

14 Thank you very much.

15 JESSICA IPSON: Thank you.

16 JOHN DELANEY: No other witnesses for the
17 applicant, let's go to the Division.

18 PATRICK GRECU: The Division calls Mr. Ryan
19 Daigle.

20 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning, Mr. Daigle.

21 RYAN DAIGLE: Good morning.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Do you swear to tell the
23 truth?

24 RYAN DAIGLE: I do.

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RYAN DAIGLE,
was sworn and testified as follows:

JOHN DELANEY: And before you move on, I will -- why -- do want to make note on the record that, at our scheduling conference, Mr. Daigle was the only one who correctly identified that our last pass-through hearing was, in fact, done remotely, not live.

So, you were correct. I was incorrect.

RYAN DAIGLE: Thank you.

JOHN DELANEY: Please proceed.

PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

EXAMINATION

BY PATRICK GRECU:

Q. Mr. Daigle, could you please state and spell your name for the record?

A. My name is Ryan Daigle, R-y-a-n, D-a-i-g-l-e.

Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?

A. The Division of Public Utilities. And I am a utility analyst.

Q. And what is your business address?

A. 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114.

1 Q. Could you provide a very brief overview of your
2 educational background and a relevant work
3 experience?

4 A. Sure.

5 I have a Bachelor of Science in mechanical
6 engineering and I have ten years in oil and gas and
7 regulatory experience.

8 And I've been with the Division for
9 approximately two years.

10 Q. And have you participated in this docket on
11 behalf of the Division?

12 A. Yes, I have.

13 Q. Did you prepare and cause to file the Division's
14 comments that were filed on October 21st, 2024 in
15 this docket?

16 A. Yes, I did.

17 Q. Do you have any changes or corrections to that
18 filing?

19 A. I do not.

20 Q. Do you adopt the contents of that filing as part
21 of your testimony today?

22 A. Yes, I do.

23 Q. And based on your review, would approval of the
24 Company's application on an interim basis be just,
25 reasonable and in the public interest?

1 A. It would.

2 PATRICK GRECU: I'd like to move to amend
3 the Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Any objection?

5 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Your motion's
7 granted.

8 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

9 BY PATRICK GRECU:

10 Q. Mr. Daigle, do you have a summary to share
11 today?

12 A. I do.

13 Q. Thank you.

14 Please proceed.

15 A. In Docket 24-057-16 or the 191
16 Pass-Through Application, Enbridge Gas Utah requests
17 approval for a decrease of approximately \$39,563,164
18 in its Utah natural gas rates.

19 The Company proposes to reduce the base gas
20 cost commodity rate for the GS and FS classes from
21 the previously approved \$4.59173 to \$4.25170 per
22 dekatherm and keep the debit commodity amortization
23 rate at zero dollars per dekatherm.

24 Enbridge states in their application the
25 driving force behind the requested decrease is lower

1 commodity prices during the test period.

2 At the time of filing, the 191 account was
3 over-collected by approximately 38 million, but the
4 Company proposes to keep the amortization rate at
5 zero dollars per dekatherm to help increase rate
6 stabilization in the face of unpredictable pricing
7 events as experienced in recent years.

8 If this application is approved, a typical
9 GS residential customer using 70 dekatherms per year
10 will see a decrease in their total annual bill of
11 twenty-two dollars and 82 cents or 3.45 percent.

12 After reviewing the Company's application,
13 exhibits and prior 191 pass-through filings, the
14 Division recommends the Commission approve Enbridge's
15 request -- requested rate decrease in this
16 application.

17 The proposed change is in the public
18 interest and represents just and reasonable rates.

19 Because the 191 account is subject to a
20 Division audit, the Division recommends the
21 Commission approve the requested rate change on an
22 interim basis in this docket, with an effective date
23 of November 1st, 2024.

24 This concludes my summary.

25 PATRICK GRECU: The witness is now

1 available -- available for cross-examination and
2 questions from the Commission.

3 JOHN DELANEY: Any questions from Enbridge
4 on this witness?

5 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No questions.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

7 I have no questions, either, on this
8 docket.

9 Thank you very much.

10 RYAN DAIGLE: Thank you.

11 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Why don't we move on
12 to the second docket, which is Docket 24-057-17?

13 And we will begin with Enbridge.

14 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

15 The Company calls Tyson Lowder.

16 TYSON LOWDER: Good morning.

17 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning, Mr. Lowder.

18 Do you swear to tell the truth?

19 TYSON LOWDER: I do.

20 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.

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22 TYSON LOWDER,
23 was sworn and testified as follows:

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25 JOHN DELANEY: Please go ahead.

1 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thanks.

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3 EXAMINATION

4 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

5 Q. Mr. Lowder, please state your name and spell it
6 for the record?

7 A. It's Tyson Lowder, T-y-s-o-n, L-o-w-d-e-r.

8 Q. Mr. Lowder, can you also state your business
9 address?

10 A. Yes.

11 333 South State Street, Salt Lake City,
12 Utah.

13 Q. And what position do you hold with the Company?

14 A. I'm a regulatory analyst.

15 Q. Mr. Lowder, did you prepare the application or
16 cause to be prepared the application and the
17 accompanying Exhibits EGU 1.1 through 1.5?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And do you adopt those documents as your
20 testimony today?

21 A. I do.

22 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: The Company moves
23 for the admission of the application in this docket
24 as well as EGU Exhibits 1.1 through 1.5.

25 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

1 Any objection, Mr. Grecu?

2 PATRICK GRECU: No objection.

3 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

4 Go ahead.

5 Oh. Your motion's granted. Go ahead.

6 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

7 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

8 Q. Mr. Lowder, can you please summarize the relief
9 the Company seeks in this docket?

10 A. In this docket, the Company requests an
11 adjustment to the transportation imbalance charge to
12 appropriately collect costs associated with managing
13 imbalance dekatherms that are transported on the
14 Company's distribution system.

15 The proposed imbalance charge reflects the
16 costs borne by the Company to manage net imbalance
17 dekatherms.

18 This is calculated by total costs divided
19 by the imbalance dekatherms for each transportation
20 service customer that are over the five percent
21 tolerance threshold.

22 The resulting imbalance rate of 6.98 cents
23 is point four percent lower than the transportation
24 imbalance charge that is currently in effect.

25 This charge will only be applied to the

1 transportation service volumes that differ from
2 nominated volumes more than five percent.

3 The transportation imbalance charge
4 continues to serve its intended purpose and is just,
5 reasonable and in the public interest.

6 The Company requests approval of these
7 interim rates effective November 1st, 2024.

8 This concludes my summary.

9 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Mr. Lowder is
10 available for cross-examination and questions from
11 the Commission.

12 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

13 Mr. Grecu, questions for this witness?

14 PATRICK GRECU: I just have one clarifying
15 question.

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17 EXAMINATION

18 BY PATRICK GRECU:

19 Q. Mr. Lowder, in the Company's application, it
20 stated that the current rate is \$0.07009 per
21 dekatherm. Is that true?

22 A. It --

23 That was entered incorrectly on the
24 Exhibit 1.1, column 11, row M. It actually should
25 have been .07008 dekatherms.

1 The Company did make this correction. In
2 any future exhibit filings, it will reflect that.
3 .07008.

4 Q. Okay. Thank you.

5 PATRICK GRECU: No further questions.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Thank you.

7 Thanks for the clarification and a
8 follow-up note.

9 Is that -- does that change of that one
10 value impact your overall analysis at all?

11 TYSON LOWDER: No. It does not impact the
12 current rate at all.

13 JOHN DELANEY: Okay.

14 TYSON LOWDER: We have the proposed rate
15 here of about point -- 6.98 cents.

16 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Thank you.

17 I have no -- no other questions.

18 Why don't we move to the Division's
19 witness, please?

20 PATRICK GRECU: The Division again calls
21 Mr. Ryan Daigle.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Daigle, you're still
23 sworn.

24 So, please proceed.

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1 EXAMINATION

2 BY PATRICK GRECU:

3 Q. Mr. Daigle, have you participated in this docket
4 on behalf of the Division?

5 A. I have.

6 Q. And did you prepare and cause to be filed the
7 Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024 in
8 this docket?

9 A. Yes, I did.

10 Q. Do you have any changes or corrections to that
11 filing?

12 A. No, I do not.

13 Q. Do you adopt the content of that filing as part
14 of your testimony today?

15 A. Yes, I do.

16 Q. And based on your review of the application and
17 exhibits, would approval of the Company's application
18 on an interim basis be just, reasonable and in the
19 public interest?

20 A. It would.

21 PATRICK GRECU: I'd like to move to amend
22 the Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024.

23 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

24 Any objection?

25 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No.

1 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Your motion's
2 granted.

3 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

4 BY PATRICK GRECU:

5 Q. Mr. Daigle, do you have a summary to share
6 today?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. Please proceed.

9 A. In its application in this docket, Enbridge
10 requested to adjust the daily transportation
11 imbalance charge or TIC pursuant to the order in
12 Docket Number 14-057-31.

13 The TIC was established to charge
14 transportation customers for the supplier non-gas
15 services which are being used on the Company's
16 natural gas distribution network.

17 The calculation of this rate is based on
18 the methodology approved in Docket Number 14-057-31
19 and is to be adjusted with each 191 pass-through
20 filing and in the next general rate case.

21 This is the second TIC adjustment in 2024.

22 And the proposed adjustment represents a
23 decrease from \$0.07008 per dekatherm to \$0.06982 per
24 dekatherm and is calculated based on the actual
25 volumes of gas used by the transportation customers

1 for the 12 months ended August 31st, 2024.

2 This rate -- this rate applies to customers
3 who are taking service under the transportation rate
4 schedules and any amount collected is credited to GS
5 customers through the 191 account.

6 This TIC rate does not impact all
7 transportation customers and only applies when a
8 customer's nominations are outside of plus or minus
9 five percent daily tolerance limit.

10 Transportation customers can minimize or
11 entirely avoid the TIC through accurate daily gas
12 nominations.

13 After reviewing the Company's application,
14 exhibits and prior TIC filings, the Division
15 recommends the Commission approve Enbridge's request.

16 The proposed changes -- the proposed change
17 in -- is in the public interest and represents just
18 and reasonable rates.

19 Because the 191 account is subject to a
20 Division audit, the Division recommends the
21 Commission approve the requested rate change on an
22 interim basis in this docket with an effective date
23 of November 1st, 2024.

24 This concludes my summary.

25 Thank you.

1 PATRICK GRECU: The witness is now
2 available for cross-examination and questions from
3 the hearing officer.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.
5 Any cross-examination?

6 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No, thank you.

7 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Thank you.
8 I do have one quick follow-up, Mr. Daigle.
9 Based on Mr. Lowder's correction, does that
10 affect DPU's analysis and/or recommendation?

11 RYAN DAIGLE: It does not.

12 JOHN DELANEY: So, the correction is fine
13 with you.

14 RYAN DAIGLE: Yes, sir.

15 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.
16 That's all I have.

17 Okay. We will now move to the third
18 docket, which is Docket 24-057-18.

19 And we will begin with Enbridge, the
20 applicant again.

21 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

22 The Company calls Jordan Stephenson.

23 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning,
24 Mr. Stephenson.

25 JORDAN STEPHENSON: Good morning.

1 JOHN DELANEY: Do you swear to tell the
2 truth?

3 JORDAN STEPHENSON: Yes.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. You are sworn.

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6 JORDAN STEPHENSON,
7 was sworn and testified as follows:

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9 JOHN DELANEY: Please proceed.

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11 EXAMINATION

12 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

13 Q. Mr. Stephenson, can you state your full name and
14 spell it for the record?

15 A. Yes.

16 It's Jordan Stephenson. That's
17 J-o-r-d-a-n, S-t-e-p-h-e-n-s-o-n.

18 Q. And what is your business address?

19 A. 333 South State, Salt Lake City, Utah.

20 Q. What position do you hold with the Company?

21 A. Manager of regulation.

22 Q. Mr. Stephenson, did you prepare or cause to be
23 prepared the application in this matter along with
24 accompanying exhibits EGU Exhibits 1.5 through 1.8?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And do you have any corrections to any of those
2 documents?

3 A. Yes, I do.

4 And this has been pointed out by the
5 Division in their action request response that was
6 filed October 21st.

7 Just some labeling issues.

8 Three corrections here.

9 So, on the filed EGU Exhibit 1.1, the date
10 reflected in line 1 originally as filed reads
11 September 31st, 2023. It should be September 30th,
12 2023.

13 And then on Exhibit 1.2, Page 1, we have a
14 similar correction. Row -- or line 1 should read
15 September 30th, 2023 rather than 31st.

16 And on row 14 of Exhibit 2 -- 1.2, Page 1,
17 the -- the date should read August 31st, 2024 rather
18 than October 31st, 2024.

19 And then one final correction related to
20 date labels.

21 Exhibit 1.2, Page 2. Again, the very first
22 date at the top of that table should read September
23 30th, 2023 rather than September 31st, 2023.

24 Q. And with those corrections, do you adopt the
25 application and accompanying exhibits as your

1 testimony today?

2 A. Yes.

3 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: The Company -- the
4 Company moves for the admission of the application
5 and accompanying exhibits EGU Exhibit 1.1 through EGU
6 Exhibit 1.8, as corrected.

7 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

8 Any objection from the Division?

9 PATRICK GRECU: No objection.

10 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. The motion's granted.

11 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

12 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

13 Q. Mr. Stephenson, will you please summarize the
14 relief the Company seeks in this docket?

15 A. Yes.

16 In this docket, the Company seeks for
17 approval to adjust the current amortization of the
18 energy efficiency deferred account balance.

19 As of August 31st, 2024, the deferred
20 account balance amounted to an under-collected
21 balance of \$3,662,978.

22 With this adjustment to the rate, based on
23 budgeted expenditures and projected volumes for the
24 test period, the Company will collect the necessary
25 revenue to support the program while minimizing

1 interest expense for customers and the Company.

2 If approved, this would result in an
3 increase of six dollars and four cents per year or
4 .91 percent paid by a typical customer using 70
5 dekatherms per year.

6 The proposed rates are just, reasonable and
7 in the public interest.

8 And the Company requests that the rates be
9 approved on an interim basis with rates going into
10 effect on November 1st, 2024.

11 And this concludes my summary.

12 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Mr. Stephenson is
13 available for cross-examination and the hearing
14 officer's questions.

15 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.

16 Mr. Grecu, for the Division, any
17 cross-examination?

18 PATRICK GRECU: I have no question.

19 JOHN DELANEY: Okay.

20 Let me ask you a quick question,
21 Mr. Stephenson.

22 So, with the labeling corrections that you
23 testified about, did that have any impact on the
24 initial analysis that was submitted?

25 JORDAN STEPHENSON: No. It had no impact.

1 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. They were simply
2 typographical errors.

3 JORDAN STEPHENSON: Yes.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Thank you very much.
5 Okay. Why don't we move to the Division,
6 then?

7 PATRICK GRECU: The Division calls Shauna
8 Benvegna-Springer.

9 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning, Ms. Springer.
10 How are you?

11 SHAUNA BENVEGNA-SPRINGER: Good morning.

12 JOHN DELANEY: Do you swear to tell the
13 truth?

14 SHAUNA BENVEGNA-SPRINGER: I do.

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16 SHAUNA BENVEGNA-SPRINGER,
17 was sworn and testified as follows:

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19 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you very much.

20 Please proceed.

21 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

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23 EXAMINATION

24 BY PATRICK GRECU:

25 Q. Could you please state and spell your name for

1 the record?

2 A. Shauna Benvegnu-Springer, S-h-a-u-n-a,
3 B-e-n-v-e-g-n-u dash S-p-r-i-n-g-e-r.

4 Q. And by whom are you employed and what is your
5 position?

6 A. I'm employed by the Division of Public Utilities
7 as a utility technical consultant.

8 Q. And what is your business address?

9 A. My business address is 160 East 300 South,
10 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114.

11 Q. Could you provide a brief overview of your
12 educational background and relevant work experience?

13 A. Yes.

14 I received a Bachelor of Science degree in
15 accounting and a Bachelor of Science degree in
16 management.

17 I've worked for the State of Utah 47 years,
18 with 17 years with the Division.

19 Q. And have you participated in this docket on
20 behalf of the Division?

21 A. I have.

22 Q. Did you prepare and cause to be filed the
23 Division's comments that were filed on October 21st,
24 2024 in this docket?

25 A. I did.

1 Q. Do you have any changes or corrections to that
2 filing?

3 A. I do.

4 On Page 2, under the paragraph EGU
5 Exhibit 1.2, it should read, on the second line,
6 September 30 instead of September 1, 2023.

7 And on the second to the last row, it
8 should read -- it should read -- September 1, 2023
9 should be removed and should say September 30th, 2023
10 balance.

11 Q. And with those changes, do you adopt the
12 contents of that filing as part of your testimony
13 today?

14 A. I do.

15 Q. And based on your review, would approval of this
16 application on an interim basis be just, reasonable
17 and in the public interest?

18 A. Yes.

19 PATRICK GRECU: And at this time, I'd like
20 to move to admit the Division's comments as corrected
21 that were filed on October 21st, 2024.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

23 Any objection to the motion?

24 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No.

25 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. The motion's granted.

1 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

2 BY PATRICK GRECU:

3 Q. Do you have a summary to share today?

4 A. I do.

5 Q. Please proceed.

6 A. On October 1st, 2024, Enbridge Gas Utah filed
7 its application seeking Commission approval to
8 amortize the energy efficiency deferred accounting
9 balance, which we refer to as EU.

10 It also will increase the EE rate and have
11 the new rate effective November 1st, 2024.

12 The current financial position of the
13 energy efficiency program showed the balance -- a
14 positive balance of 3.7 million, resulting from
15 under-collection from ratepayers.

16 The application's objective is to calculate
17 a new rate that collects enough funds to cover the
18 expenses but minimizes the amount of interest
19 collected or paid by the Company.

20 Due to the nature of using natural gas, the
21 account balance fluctuates above or below zero
22 dollars during the year with a -- with a goal of
23 netting interest close to zero.

24 The Company provided two rate analysis
25 scenarios.

1 Scenario one or A: A rate with no change.
2 And two, scenario B: At a rate to increase
3 to 0.24543.

4 The Division conduct -- conducted a third
5 analysis, scenario C, using a rate of 0.26000, which
6 was a bit higher in the range.

7 Scenarios A and C result in over and
8 under-collecting and paying out of -- paying or
9 collecting interest at a balance.

10 As proposed by Enbridge, scenario B should
11 be the new proposed rate because over and
12 under-collecting will be balanced within six months
13 of over-collecting and six months of
14 under-collecting.

15 The proposed rate increase would minimize
16 that interest to zero for 12 months.

17 Based on the projected balances, the new
18 proposed rate will help meet the financial goals of
19 the EE program.

20 And the offered energy efficiency
21 amortization rate increases from a current rate of
22 0.15907 to 0.24543 per dekatherm or an increase of
23 0.09636 per dekatherm.

24 If the Commission approves this
25 application, the typical residential customer using

1 70 dekatherms a year will see an increase in their
2 annual bill of -- to six dollars and four cents or 91
3 percent -- point -- 0.91 percent independent of any
4 other decrease or increase.

5 The Division agrees with Enbridge's request
6 to amortize the energy efficiency deferred account
7 balance and increase the rate.

8 The Division acknowledges this is a step in
9 the right direction for the energy efficiency
10 program.

11 The Division recommends that the Commission
12 approve the application on an interim basis until we
13 complete a more thorough audit of the programs and
14 initiative with a final recommendation provided
15 within the next several months.

16 The proposed rate is in the public interest
17 and represents a just and reasonable rate for Utah
18 ratepayers.

19 The Division is committed to ongoing
20 monitoring of the overall program in individual
21 measures and this commitment ensures that the program
22 remains effective and that any necessary difference
23 can be made in a timely manner.

24 This concludes my summary.

25 Thank you.

1 PATRICK GRECU: The witness is now
2 available for cross-examination and questions from
3 the hearing officer.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

5 Cross-examination.

6 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No thanks.

7 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

8 I do have just a couple of questions. Let
9 me start with the easy one.

10 With the changed labeling dates, did that
11 impact the Division's analysis or recommendation?

12 SHAUNA BENVEGNUM-SPRINGER: No, it did not.

13 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. And then I am a
14 little confused about --

15 Let me ask it this way: You -- you heard
16 Mr. Stephenson's testimony correcting what he wanted
17 to correct with respect to Exhibit 1.2. And that's
18 pages 1 of 2 and 2 of 2. Correct?

19 SHAUNA BENVEGNUM-SPRINGER: Mm-hmm.

20 JOHN DELANEY: Did you -- do you agree with
21 the changes that he testified about?

22 SHAUNA BENVEGNUM-SPRINGER: I do.

23 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. I -- I think that's
24 easier. Because I got confused between the two
25 changes.

1 And so, instead of just asking you about
2 every date in here, we'll take his testimony as your
3 testimony and -- and that you confirm his testimony.

4 SHAUNA BENVEGNUM-SPRINGER: Correct.

5 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Thank you.

6 On -- on Page 2 of DPU's comment, the first
7 bullet point, the last sentence said that
8 Exhibits 1.1 and 1.2 purport to meet this
9 requirement.

10 Now, I asked you this last time. I've got
11 to ask you again. Was there a problem with 1 point
12 -- Exhibits 1.1 or 1.2?

13 SHAUNA BENVEGNUM-SPRINGER: No, there is
14 not.

15 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Thank you.

16 Okay. That's all I have. Thank you very
17 much.

18 Why don't we move to the next docket, which
19 is Docket 24-057-19?

20 Applicant, please feel free to go ahead.

21 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

22 The Company once again calls
23 Mr. Stephenson.

24 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Stephenson, you're still
25 under oath.

1 Please proceed.

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3 EXAMINATION

4 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

5 Q. Mr. Stephenson, with respect to this docket, the
6 19 docket, did you prepare or cause to be prepared
7 the application and the accompanying exhibits
8 EGU Exhibit 1.1 through EGU Exhibit 1.7?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And do you adopt the contents of those documents
11 as your testimony today?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Mr. Stephenson, please summarize the relief the
14 Company seeks in this docket.

15 A. In this docket, the Company requests to amortize
16 the Conservation Enabling Tariff Balancing Account.

17 Section 2.08 of the Company's tariff
18 requires the Company to file a CET, or Conservation
19 Enabling Tariff, amortization application at least
20 annually with the Commission. And this filing
21 fulfilled that requirement.

22 The Company requests to amortize the August
23 2024 over-collected balance of \$22.6 million.

24 If approved, this would result in an
25 increase of 69 cents or .1 percent paid by a typical

1 customer using 70 dekatherms per year.

2 The proposed rates are just, reasonable and
3 in the public interest.

4 Therefore, the Company requests that the
5 rates be approved with rates going into effect on
6 November 1st, 2024.

7 And this concludes my summary.

8 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: And I believe I
9 neglected to move to admit the application and
10 accompanying exhibits EGU Exhibits 1.1 through 1.7.
11 And I would do so now.

12 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

13 Mr. Grecu, any objection?

14 PATRICK GRECU: No objection.

15 JOHN DELANEY: Motion is granted.

16 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you so much.

17 Mr. Stephenson is available for
18 cross-examination and questions from our hearing
19 officer.

20 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

21 Mr. Grecu, any questions?

22 PATRICK GRECU: I have no question.

23 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. I have no questions
24 for you, either. Thank you.

25 Please --

1 Division, proceed.

2 PATRICK GRECU; Division calls Ryan Daigle
3 again.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Daigle, you're still
5 sworn.

6 Please proceed.

7 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

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9 EXAMINATION

10 BY PATRICK GRECU:

11 Q. Mr. Daigle, have you participated in this docket
12 on behalf of the Division?

13 A. Yes, I have.

14 Q. Did you prepare and cause to be filed the
15 Division's comments filed October 21st, 2024?

16 A. Yes, I did.

17 Q. Do you have any changes or corrections to that
18 filing?

19 A. No, I do not.

20 Q. Do you adopt the contents of that filing as part
21 of your testimony today?

22 A. Yes, I do.

23 Q. And based on your review of the application and
24 exhibits, would approval of this application be just,
25 reasonable and in the public interest?

1 A. Yes, it would.

2 PATRICK GRECU: I'd like to move to admit
3 the Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

5 Any objection?

6 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No. Thank you.

7 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Your motion's
8 granted.

9 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

10 BY PATRICK GRECU:

11 Q. Mr. Daigle, do you have a summary to share
12 today?

13 A. Yes, I do.

14 Q. Please proceed.

15 A. On October 1st, 2024, Enbridge filed its
16 application to amortize the Conservation Enabling
17 Tariff Balancing Account in this
18 Docket Number 24-057-19.

19 The Conservation Enabling Tariff, or CET,
20 is designed to allow Enbridge to collect the
21 Commission-authorized revenue per customer.

22 In its application, Enbridge requests to
23 amortize the August 2024 over-collected balance of
24 approximately \$22.6 million.

25 The Company's previous CET filing, which

1 was Docket Number 23-057-19, requested to amortize
2 the over-collected amount of approximately \$23.3
3 million.

4 If approved, independent of the other
5 concurrently filed applications, the typical GS
6 residential customer using 70 dekatherms per year
7 will experience an increase to their annual bill of
8 0.69 cents or 0.10 percent.

9 The Division has reviewed the Company's
10 application, exhibits and previous CET filings and
11 determined that the proposed change represents just
12 and reasonable rates and is in the public interest.

13 As it is not subject to a Division audit,
14 the Division recommends the Commission approves the
15 requested rate change in Docket 24-057-19 as a final
16 rate, with an effective date of November 1st, 2024.

17 This concludes my summary.

18 Thank you.

19 PATRICK GRECU: The witness is available
20 for questions from the Company and from the hearing
21 officer.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

23 Any questions from Enbridge?

24 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No. Thanks.

25 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. And I don't have any

1 questions for you.

2 Thank you very much.

3 RYAN DAIGLE: Thank you.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Why don't we move to
5 the fifth docket, which is Docket 24-057-20?

6 Enbridge, please call your first witness --
7 or call your witness.

8 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you so much.

9 And once again, we call Mr. Stephenson for
10 his last appearance of the day.

11 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Stephenson, will you --
12 you're still under oath.

13 So, please proceed.

14

15 EXAMINATION

16 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

17 Q. Mr. Stephenson, did you prepare or cause to be
18 prepared the application and accompanying exhibits
19 EGU Exhibit 1.1 through EGU Exhibit 1.7 in this
20 docket?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And do you adopt the contents of those documents
23 as your testimony today?

24 A. Yes.

25 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: The Company would

1 move for the admission of the application and
2 accompanying exhibits, EGU Exhibit 1.1 through 1.7.

3 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

4 Any objection?

5 PATRICK GRECU: No objection.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Then your motion's
7 granted.

8 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

9 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

10 Q. Mr. Stephenson, would you please summarize the
11 relief the Company seeks in this docket?

12 A. Yes.

13 In this docket, the Company requests an --
14 an adjustment to the low income energy assistance
15 rate.

16 This will result in an annual decrease of
17 five cents for a typical customer and allow the
18 program to maintain the funding level of \$1.5 million
19 per year.

20 The Company is also proposing to adjust the
21 current and annual energy assistance credit to \$109
22 per qualifying customer per year. This credit is
23 based on an annual participation level of 17,105
24 participants.

25 In addition, the Company proposes a

1 contribution of \$250,000 to the Utah Department of
2 Workforce Services Housing and Community Development
3 Weatherization Assistance Program, which matches the
4 contribution provided last year to the program.

5 The proposed rates are just, reasonable and
6 in the public interest.

7 Therefore, the Company requests that the
8 rates be approved with rates going into effect on Jan
9 -- on November 1st, 2024.

10 And this concludes my summary.

11 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Mr. Stephenson is
12 now available for cross-examination and questions
13 from the hearing officer.

14 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

15 Any cross-examination from the Division?

16 PATRICK GRECU: No questions.

17 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. And no questions from
18 me, either.

19 Thank you, Mr. Stephenson.

20 JORDAN STEPHENSON: Thank you.

21 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Grecu, please proceed
22 with your witness.

23 PATRICK GRECU: The Division, for the last
24 time, calls Ryan Daigle.

25 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Daigle, you're still

1 under oath.

2 Please proceed.

3

4 EXAMINATION

5 BY PATRICK GRECU:

6 Q. Mr. Daigle, have you participated in this docket
7 on behalf of the Division?

8 A. Yes, I have.

9 Q. And did you prepare and cause to be filed the
10 Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024?

11 A. Yes, I did.

12 Q. And did you have any changes or corrections to
13 that filing?

14 A. No, I do not.

15 Q. Do you adopt the contents of that filing as part
16 of your testimony today?

17 A. Yes, I do.

18 Q. And based on your review of the application and
19 exhibits, would approval of the Company's application
20 be just, reasonable and in the public interest?

21 A. Yes, it would.

22 PATRICK GRECU: I'd like to move to amend
23 the Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024.

24 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

25 Any objection to the motion?

1 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No.

2 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. The motion's granted.

3 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

4 BY PATRICK GRECU:

5 Q. Mr. Daigle, do you have a summary to share
6 today?

7 A. Yes, I do.

8 Q. Please proceed.

9 A. On October 1st, 2024, Enbridge filed its
10 application for an adjustment to the low income
11 energy assistance rate in this docket,
12 number 24-057-20.

13 The low income energy assistance program
14 provides an annual credit for enrolled low-income
15 customers.

16 In this docket, Enbridge requests a rate change
17 to credit customers the \$125,389 over-collected that
18 is in excess of the target funding amount of 1.5
19 million.

20 The Company estimates that 17,105 qualified
21 customers will apply for the credit, and requests to
22 provide a credit of \$109 per eligible customer.

23 If approved, independent helps to meet other
24 concurrently filed applications.

25 The typical GS residential customer using

1 70 dekatherms per year will receive a reduction to
2 their annual bill of five cents.

3 The Division has reviewed the Company's
4 application, exhibits and previous low income energy
5 assistant rate filings and determined that the
6 proposed change represents just and reasonable rates
7 and is in the public interest.

8 Because it is -- because it is not subject to a
9 Division audit, the Division recommends the
10 Commission approve the requested rate change in this
11 docket to the low income energy assistance program as
12 a final rate, with an effective date of November 1st,
13 2024.

14 This concludes my summary.

15 Thank you.

16 PATRICK GRECU: The witness is available
17 for cross-examination and questions from the hearing
18 officer.

19 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

20 Any questions on cross-examination?

21 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No. Thank you.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

23 No questions from me, either.

24 Okay. So, let's --

25 We're now going to the sixth docket, which

1 is Docket 24-057-21.

2 Applicant, please proceed.

3 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

4 The Company calls Mr. Jesse Jackson.

5 JESSE JACKSON: Good morning.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning, Mr. Jackson.

7 Do you swear to tell the truth?

8 JESSE JACKSON: I do.

9

10 JESSE JACKSON,

11 was sworn and testified as follows:

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13 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you. You're sworn.

14 Please proceed.

15 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thanks.

16

17 EXAMINATION

18 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

19 Q. Mr. Jackson, please state and spell your name

20 for the record.

21 A. Jesse Jackson, J-e-s-s-e, J-a-c-k-s-o-n.

22 Q. What is your business address?

23 A. 333 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

24 Q. What position do you hold with the Company?

25 A. A regulatory analyst.

1 Q. Mr. Jackson, did you prepare or cause to be
2 prepared the application in this matter along with
3 accompanying exhibits EGU Exhibit 1.1 through
4 EGU Exhibit 1.8?

5 A. I did.

6 Q. And do you adopt the content of those documents
7 as your testimony today?

8 A. I do.

9 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: The Company moves
10 for the admission of the application and accompanying
11 exhibits EGU Exhibit 1.1 through 1.8.

12 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

13 Any objection to the motion?

14 PATRICK GRECU: No objection.

15 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. The motion's granted.

16 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Thank you.

17 BY JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK:

18 Q. Mr. Jackson, please summarize the relief the
19 Company seeks in this docket.

20 A. In this docket, the Company seeks to adjust the
21 infrastructure tracker replacement rates to include
22 investment related to replacement projects that were
23 in service as of September 30th, 2024.

24 The Company is requesting 6.4 million in
25 annual revenue related to this investment.

1 If approved, this would result in an
2 increase of three dollars and 58 cents per year or
3 .54 percent paid by a typical customer using 70
4 dekatherms per year.

5 The proposed rates are just, reasonable and
6 in the public interest.

7 Therefore, the Company requests that the
8 rates be approved on an interim basis with an
9 effective date of November 1st, 2024.

10 And that concludes my summary.

11 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Mr. Jackson is
12 available for cross-examination and questions from
13 the hearing officer.

14 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

15 Any cross-examination from the Division of
16 this witness?

17 PATRICK GRECU: I have no questions.

18 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. And I have no
19 questions, either.

20 Thank you very much, Mr. Jackson.

21 JESSE JACKSON: Thanks.

22 JOHN DELANEY: Mr. Grecu, would you call
23 your witness?

24 PATRICK GRECU: The Division calls Eric
25 Orton.

1 JOHN DELANEY: Good morning, Mr. Orton.

2 ERIC ORTON: Good morning.

3 JOHN DELANEY: Do you swear to tell the
4 truth?

5 ERIC ORTON: Yes, I do.

6

7 ERIC ORTON,

8 was sworn and testified as follows:

9

10 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you. You're sworn.

11

12 EXAMINATION

13 BY PATRICK GRECU:

14 Q. Mr. Orton, could you please state and spell your
15 name for the record?

16 A. My name is Eric Orton. That's E-r-i-c,
17 O-r-t-o-n.

18 Q. By whom are you employed and what is your
19 position?

20 A. I'm employed by the Utah Division of Public
21 Utilities. I am a utility technical consultant.

22 Q. And what is your business address?

23 A. I'm here in the Heber Wells Building. 160 East,
24 300 South.

25 Q. Could you provide a brief overview of your

1 educational background and relevant work experience?

2 A. Sure.

3 I have an MBA.

4 And I've been in utility regulation with
5 the state for over 25 years.

6 Q. Have you participated in this docket on behalf
7 of the Division?

8 A. I have.

9 Q. Did you prepare and cause to be filed the
10 Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024 in
11 this docket?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And do you have any changes or corrections to
14 that filing?

15 A. No. I believe it's accurate.

16 Q. Do you adopt the contents of that filing as part
17 of your testimony today?

18 A. I do.

19 Q. And based on your review of the Company's
20 applications and exhibits, would approval of this
21 application on an interim basis be just, reasonable
22 and in the public interest?

23 A. It would.

24 PATRICK GRECU: I'd like to move to amend
25 the Division's comments filed on October 21st, 2024.

1 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

2 Any objection to the motion?

3 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No.

4 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. The motion is
5 granted.

6 PATRICK GRECU: Thank you.

7 BY PATRICK GRECU:

8 Q. Mr. Orton, do you have a summary to share today?

9 A. I do.

10 Q. Please proceed.

11 A. Thank you.

12 On October 1, 2024, Enbridge filed with the
13 Commission its application to change the
14 infrastructure rate adjustment.

15 Following a review of the Company's application
16 as well as the accompanying exhibits, the filing
17 requirements in the tariff, and past annual filings,
18 the Division recommends the Commission approve
19 Enbridge's application on an interim basis with an
20 effective date of November 1, 2024.

21 In its order in Docket Number 22-057-03, the
22 Commission authorized Enbridge to continue the
23 infrastructure rate adjustment tracker program that
24 allows the Company to recover costs associated with
25 replacing aging infrastructure.

1 The purpose of this filing is for Enbridge to
2 seek to modify the infrastructure rate adjustment to
3 the distribution non-gas cost portion of its Utah
4 natural gas schedules pursuant to tariff
5 section 2.07.

6 The current proposal represents an incremental
7 revenue requirement increase of approximately
8 \$6.439 million.

9 If approved, a typical GS customer using 70
10 dekatherms per year would see an increase of three
11 dollars and 58 cents per year, which is 0.54 percent.

12 This application complies with past Commission
13 orders.

14 The Division recommends the Commission approve
15 the proposed rates on an interim basis until the
16 Division can complete its audit review, at which time
17 it will make a final recommendation to the Commission
18 to include any prudently-incurred infrastructure
19 costs in the next general rate case.

20 If all six dockets are approved in today's
21 hearing, a typical GS customer would see a decrease
22 in their annual bill of 12 dollars and 57 cents or
23 1.9 percent.

24 Thank you.

25 PATRICK GRECU: The witness is available

1 for cross-examination and questions from the hearing
2 officer.

3 JOHN DELANEY: Thank you.

4 Any cross-examination for this witness?

5 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: No. Thank you.

6 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. And I don't have any
7 questions for you, either.

8 Thank you, Mr. Orton.

9 ERIC ORTON: Thank you.

10 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Well, we have
11 proceeded through the six dockets we've identif -- I
12 identified at the beginning of this hearing and tried
13 to identify it throughout as we transitioned.

14 Is there anything else while we're all
15 together?

16 JENNIFER NELSON-CLARK: Nothing from the
17 Company.

18 PATRICK GRECU: Nothing from the Division.

19 JOHN DELANEY: Okay. Well, then I believe
20 that's it.

21 We're mindful of the requested effective
22 date.

23 We'll issue orders in due course.

24 And thank you for your preparation and for
25 being here today. Have a nice day.

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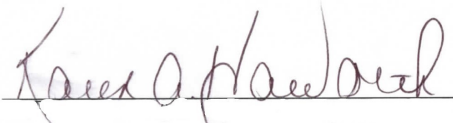
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Part V. Depositions and Discovery

Rule 30

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