

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF Energy West) REGULATORY DIVISION
Montana's Application for Approval of)
the Reconciliation of West) DOCKET NO. D2017.12.89
Yellowstone's No-Interest Loan)
Program)

**DATA REQUESTS MCC-001 THROUGH MCC-008
OF THE MONTANA CONSUMER COUNSEL TO
ENERGY WEST MONTANA**

MCC-001

Regarding NIP overcollection
Witness: Jed Henthorne

What program(s) would be funded by the \$56,253 half of the over-collection that EWM proposes to make as a one-time contribution to Energy Share? Would those program(s) be exclusively for EWM West Yellowstone customers and over what time period would the money be expended? Please provide detailed explanations of the programs, the benefits provided, and how they would be administered.

MCC-002

Regarding: Agreement with Energy Share
Witness: Jed Henthorne

What program(s) would be funded by the annual collections from EWM West Yellowstone customers and the remaining \$56,253 over-collection that EWM proposes to provide as part of an agreement with Energy Share? Would those program(s) be exclusively for EWM West Yellowstone customers? Please provide detailed explanations of the programs, the benefits provided, and how they would be administered.

MCC-003

Regarding: Low Income Customers
Witness: Jed Henthorne

Approximately how many low income eligible customers are served by EWM West Yellowstone based on the criteria used for such eligibility in Great Falls? What percentage of the total EWM West Yellowstone customer base does that represent?

MCC-004

Regarding: Low Income Discounts
Witness: Jed Henthorne

Please estimate what the annual cost would be if EWM West Yellowstone implemented the same low income discounts for its customers that are available to EWM Great Falls customers?

MCC-005

Regarding: Exhibit JDH-1
Witness: Jed Henthorne

Please explain why the amounts for each year in *NIP Loan Program – Paid by Great Falls* (line 10) on Exhibit JDH-1 do not tie to the *Amounts Transferred to EWM-Great Falls* (line 14).

MCC-006

Regarding: NIP Over-collection
Witness: Jed Henthorne

Have the NIP West Yellowstone over-collected amounts been held in an interest-bearing account? If yes, please indicate the amount of accrued interest. If no, please indicate where those funds have been held.

MCC-007

Regarding: NIP Over-collection
Witness: Jed Henthorne

Will the unexpended portions of the \$56,253 proposed to be made as a one-time contribution to Energy Share be held in an interest-bearing account for the benefit of West Yellowstone customers? If not, please indicate where those funds will be held.

MCC-008

Regarding: Agreement(s) with Energy Share
Witness: Jed Henthorne

Please provide copies of any agreement(s) entered into by EWM with Energy Share regarding potential funds to be received from West Yellowstone customers. If no such agreements exist, please explain why approval for the use of over collected funds is being sought without detailed explanation of how those funds will be used.