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AFFIDAVIT OF WILLIAM DUNKEL

COUNTY OF SANGAMON)
) ss
STATE OF ILLINOIS)

William Dunkel, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

1. My name is William Dunkel. I am a Consultant for the Office of the Public Counsel.

2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my direct testimony.

3. I hereby swear and affirm that my statements contained in the attached testimony are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

OFFICIAL SEAL
CHRISTY M. RUTHERFORD
Notary Public - State of Illinois
My Commission Expires Jul 09, 2011

William Dunkel
Consultant

Subscribed and sworn to me this 22nd day of February 2008.

Notary Public

My commission expires 7/9/11.

Q. Please state your name and address.

A. My name is William W. Dunkel. My business address is 8625 Farmington Cemetery Road, Pleasant Plains Illinois, 62677.

Q. What is your present occupation?

A. I am the principal of William Dunkel and Associates, which was established in 1980. Since that time, I have regularly provided consulting services in utility regulatory proceedings throughout the country. I have participated in over 200 state regulatory proceedings before over one-half of the state commissions in the United States. I have participated in utility regulatory proceedings for over 20 years.

Q. Have you prepared an appendix that describes your qualifications?

A. Yes. My qualifications, including a list of Missouri proceedings in which I participated, are shown on Appendix A.

Q. On whose behalf are you providing testimony?

A. I am providing this Testimony on behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel of the State of Missouri (OPC).

Q. What is the purpose of this testimony?

A. The purpose of this testimony is to address appropriate depreciation rates for Empire District Electric Company (Empire or Company).

Q. Can you summarize the issues you will discuss?

A. Yes. I will primarily address two related issues which can be summarized as follows:

(1) The existing book amounts in the Depreciation Reserves[1] should be used when calculating the depreciation rates. For all Production Plant, Transmission Plant, and Distribution Plant accounts, Empire witness Donald S. Roff ignored the book amounts in the Depreciation Reserves (Reserve), and instead effectively based his proposed depreciation rates on theoretical Reserve amounts. Overall the book amounts in the Reserves total more than the theoretical Reserve amounts that Mr. Roff used (there is an overall Reserve "surplus"). Overall the depreciation rates Mr. Roff proposes for the Production Plant, Transmission Plant, and Distribution Plant accounts are excessive, because they ignore the booked Depreciation Reserve amounts.

I present depreciation rates that are calculated using the booked Reserve amounts.

(2) In the General Plant accounts overall the booked amounts in the Depreciation Reserve exceed the theoretical Reserve. This means there is an overall surplus, not a deficiency.

However Mr. Roff divided the General Plant accounts into two groups. One of those groups had a booked Reserve that was less than the theoretical Reserve (a Reserve "deficiency"), and the other group was the opposite, with booked Reserve being more than the theoretical Reserve (a Reserve "surplus").

For the group with the deficiency, Mr. Roff did consider the booked Reserve amount, and proposed an additional amount to be collected from the customers to recover the deficiency in the booked Reserve amount for this group. However for the other group, in

[1] Account 108, Accumulated Provision for Depreciation

which there is a Reserve surplus, Mr. Roff did not consider the booked Reserve amount, and gave customers no depreciation rate benefit from the Reserve surplus that exists in that group. This is a double standard. In addition, there is no overall deficiency in the General Plant Reserves in aggregate. There is an overall surplus.

I redistributed the Reserves within the General Plant accounts.[2] After the Reserves are redistributed, no General Plant account has a Reserve deficiency, and some accounts still have a Reserve surplus. There is no need to collect extra money from the customers based on General Plant account Reserve deficiencies, because redistributing the Reserves within the General Plant accounts eliminates all Reserve deficiencies in all General Plant accounts.

The elimination of the two above problems in Mr. Roff's proposal results in an annual depreciation accrual that is $1.1 million less than Mr. Roff proposal, with no other changes being made.

Q. What is the importance of the booked Depreciation Reserve level in the calculation of depreciation rates?

A. The book Reserve level shows how much the customers have already paid for depreciation. The past depreciation expense that has been paid by the customers is credited into the Depreciation Reserve.[3] Knowing how much customers have already paid, is needed in order to calculate how much remains to be collected.

[2] For consistency, I also redistributed the Reserves within each Plant category other than General Plant (within the Transmission Plant category, within the Distribution Plant category, and within each of the Production Plant categories). Redistributing the Reserves within these other categories had only a minor impact.
[3] 18 CFR 101 - Accumulated Provision for Depreciation

As an analogy, assume years ago you took out a $100,000 mortgage on your home, and in the past you have paid-off $80,000 of the principal, and the bank's records show that you have paid-off $80,000. If you ask how much more is needed to pay off the principal, the correct answer is $20,000 ($100,000-$80,000 = $20,000). Imagine if your bank asserted that you instead owed $40,000 because it decided to use a hypothetical paid-off amount instead of the actual $80,000 paid-off amount. This bank calculation would not be reasonable. This bank's incorrect calculation is very similar to Empire's use of the theoretical Reserve, instead of the book Reserve, when calculating the depreciation rates Empire proposes.

Q. Can you illustrate what difference this makes in calculating depreciation?

A. Yes. Assume a $1,000 investment that has a book Reserve level of $700.[4] This means the company needs to collect another $300 from the customers in future depreciation expense, to have the investment fully depreciated when it is expected to retire ($1,000 investment-$700 already in the Reserve = $300).

However if Mr. Roff uses a theoretical Reserve amount of $600, he would incorrectly calculate that $400 remains to be collected in the depreciation rates. The correct number it $300, as shown above. The booked Reserve amount should be used in the depreciation rate calculations.

Q. In another current case, has Mr. Roff testified that adjusting the depreciation rate based on the existing book Reserve is required?

A. Yes. In a current case in Kansas, Mr. Roff's testifies as follows in his Direct Testimony:

[4] We assume zero net salvage for this example.

"Q. WHEN YOU USE THE TERM "RESERVE POSITION", WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

A. The term "reserve position" refers to the difference between a theoretical reserve and the existing book reserve. If the theoretical reserve is greater **than the book reserve**, past depreciation has been inadequate compared to the depreciation parameters developed in the Kansas and SSU study, and **an upward adjustment to the depreciation rate is required.** If the opposite is true, **a downward adjustment to the depreciation rate is required**."[5] (Emphasis added).

Schedule WWD-2 contains pages from Mr. Roff's current testimony in Kansas which contain the above quotation. In that testimony, Mr. Roff says that adjusting the depreciation rate based on the existing book Reserve is required.

Q. In Kansas, Mr. Roff says that adjusting the depreciation rate based on the existing book Reserve is required. Has Mr. Roff adjusted the depreciation rates based on the existing book Reserve in this Missouri Empire proceeding?

A. Not for the Production Plant, Transmission Plant, and Distribution Plant accounts. Those accounts contain almost 96% of the Empire investment.[6] For these accounts he calculated the Empire proposed depreciation rates effectively using the theoretical Reserve amounts, not the book Reserve amounts.

Later I will discuss the accounts which contain the remaining 4% of the investment, the General Plant accounts.

[5] Page 14, Direct Testimony of Donald S. Roff for Atmos Energy Corporation Before the State Corporation Commission of Kansas, filed on or about 9-14-2007 in Docket No. 08-ATMG-280-RTS.
[6] From Schedule DSR-3 Production Plant investment $508,907,485 plus Transmission Plant investment $168,281,698 plus Distribution Plant investment $533,654,596 divided by total Electric Plant investment $1,265,546,604. ($508,907,485+$168,281,698+$533,654,596) / $1,265,546,604 =95.67%

Q. Could you show that the depreciation rates that Mr. Roff proposes for the Production Plant, Transmission Plant, and Distribution Plant accounts are not based on the booked Reserve amounts?

A. Yes. In his workpapers Mr. Roff actually calculates two different depreciation rates for each account. One depreciation rate is calculated using the booked Reserve amount, and the other depreciation rate is calculated effectively using the theoretical Reserve amount. In his filed depreciation study, he uses the depreciation rate that is calculated using the theoretical Reserve amount, not the depreciation rate that is calculated using the booked Reserve amount.

Schedule WWD-3 is one of Mr. Roff's workpapers. As you can see for account 314 (Turbogenerator Units, the account I have underlined) Mr. Roff has calculated two different depreciation rates: 1.83% which effectively uses the "Theoretical Reserve," and 1.38%, which uses the "book Reserve." In his filing he uses the 1.83% depreciation rate, which is the depreciation rate that effectively uses the "Theoretical Reserve," not the "Book Reserve."

Q. How have you corrected this problem?

A. I have used the depreciation rate that is calculated using the book Reserve.[7] Likewise for all of the Production Plant, Transmission Plant, and Distribution Plant accounts, the

[7] As discussed elsewhere I redistributed the book Reserve amounts within each Plant category. Because of this the depreciation rate shown on my Schedule WWD-1 maybe different than the depreciation rate based on book Reserve shown in the Roff workpapers.

depreciation rate I used on Schedule WWD-1 is the depreciation rate that uses the book Reserve amounts.[8]

For some accounts the correct depreciation rate (the rate that uses the book Reserve) is lower than the depreciation rate Mr. Roff proposed, and for other accounts it is higher. However in total the correct depreciation rates produce a lower total annual depreciation accrual for the Production Plant, Transmission Plant, and Distribution Plant accounts, than the total depreciation accrual produced by the incorrect depreciation rates Mr. Roff proposes.

Q. Above you have addressed all accounts except the General Plant Accounts. Is there an overall surplus or a deficiency in the Reserves in the General Plant accounts?

A. There is an overall surplus in the General Plant Reserve. Schedule WWD-4 is one of Mr. Roff's workpapers.[9] It shows the "Theoretical Reserve" for General Plant totals $23,648,001, but the "book Reserve" is the higher figure of $28,519,594. As this Roff workpaper shows there is a deficiency in some accounts, and a surplus in other accounts, but in total there is an overall surplus in the General Plant Reserve. In the General Plant accounts overall the booked amounts in the Depreciation Reserve exceed the theoretical Reserve. This means there is an overall surplus, not a deficiency.

[8] The issue is not whether a "whole life" or "remaining life" technique should be used, a correct "whole life" calculation would include an adjustment for the book Reserve level, which Mr. Roff failed to do.
[9] For each account in the "amortize group" Mr. Roff made two different calculations of theoretical Reserve depending on the treatment he was using, however under either of these calculations there is net Reserve surplus for General Plant overall.

Q. What did Mr. Roff do in the General Plant accounts?

A. Mr. Roff divided the General Plant accounts into two subdivisions, (1) the group of accounts he proposes to "amortize" (which I will call the "amortize group"), and (2) the accounts he does not propose to "amortize" (the "non-amortize" group)

The "amortize group" had an overall book Reserve that was less than the theoretical Reserve (a Reserve "deficiency"), but the other group, the "non-amortize" group, was the opposite, with book Reserve being more than the theoretical Reserve (a Reserve "surplus").

For the group with the deficiency, the "amortize group", Mr. Roff did consider the book Reserve amount, and proposed an additional amount to be collected from the customers to recover the deficiency in the booked Reserve amount for this group. This additional annual charge of $731,122 is shown on Schedule DSR-3, Table 1A, column [8] attached to the Direct Testimony of Mr. Roff.

However for the other General Plant group, the "non-amortize" group, in which there is a book Reserve surplus; Mr. Roff did not consider the book Reserve amount. For this group he purposes the depreciation rates that use the theoretical Reserves, not the depreciation rates that use the book Reserves. He gave customers no depreciation rate benefit from the surplus that exists in the book Reserve in this "non-amortize" group.

This is a double standard. He did adjust for the book Reserve in the group in which that adjustment increases the charges to the customers, but did not adjust for the book Reserve in the group in which that adjustment would reduce the charges to the customers.

Q. How did you correct for Empire's use of this double standard?

A. I redistributed the Reserves within the General Plant accounts.[10] After the Reserves are redistributed, no General Plant account has a Reserve deficiency, and some General Plant accounts still have a Reserve surplus, as shown on Schedule WWD-5. There is no need to collect extra money from the customers based on Reserve deficiencies in the General Plant accounts, because redistributing the Reserves within the General Plant accounts eliminates all Reserve deficiencies in the General Plant accounts.

There is no overall deficiency in the General Plant Reserves. There is an overall surplus.

After redistributing the Reserves within the General Plant accounts, I calculated the depreciation rates using the redistributed book Reserves.

The results are shown on Schedule WWD-1.

Q. What is the impact of making these two changes?

A. As shown on Schedule WWD-1 the annual depreciation accruals are $1,153,610 less than Mr. Roff's proposal, when these two changes, and only these two changes, are made. The only changes I made were to (1) use the book Reserve instead of the theoretical Reserve, and (2) redistribute the book Reserve within each Plant category.[11]

[10] For consistency, I also redistributed the Reserves within each Plant category other than General Plant (within the Transmission Plant category, within the Distribution Plant category, and within each of the Production Plant categories), as shown on Schedule WWD-6. Redistributing the Reserves within these other categories had only a minor impact on the total annual depreciation accruals.

[11] For consistency, In addition to distributing the Reserve within the General Plant category, I also redistributed the Reserves within each Plant category other than General Plant. However, redistributing the Reserves within these other Plant categories did not contribute to my proposal being $1,153,610 less than Mr. Roff's proposal. In fact, had I not redistributed within these other categories (within the Transmission Plant category, within the Distribution Plant category, and within each of the Production Plant categories), my proposed annual accruals would have been $1,228,482 less than Mr. Roff's proposal.

I recommend these two corrections be made to the Company's proposed depreciation rates.

Q. Are you addressing service lives, dispersions (curve shapes), or future net salvage percentages?

A. No. In this testimony I am not addressing service lives, dispersion (curve shapes), or future net salvage percentages. At this time the only proposed service lives, curve shapes, and future net salvage in the case are from Empire. I have used the Empire proposed service lives, curve shapes, and future net salvage on Schedule WWD-1, but that does not imply I necessarily endorse those parameters. If any other party recommends different service lives, curve shapes, or future net salvage, I will prepare an alternative version of Schedule WWD-1 that uses the parameters proposed by the other party.

Q. Does this conclude your Direct Testimony?

A. Yes.

COMPARISON OF CURRENT RATES, COMPANY PROPOSED RATES, AND OPC PROPOSED RATES
ASSUMING EMPIRE'S PROPOSED LIVES AND CURVE SHAPES

Account Number	Description	12/13/06 Balance	Current Rate	Annual Accrual	Company Proposal Whole Life Rate	Company Proposal Annual Accrual	Company Proposal Difference from Present	OPC Proposal Using Empire Proposed Life and Curve Shape Remaining Life Rate	OPC Proposal Annual Accrual	OPC Proposal Difference from Present	OPC Proposal Difference from Company
A	B	C	D	E=C*D	F	G=C*F	H=G-E	I	J=C*I	K=J-E	L=J-G
STEAM PRODUCTION PLANT											
311.0	Structures & Improvements	23,811,430	1.06%	251,353	1.60%	380,983	129,630	1.39%	331,008	79,655	(49,974)
312.0	Boiler Plant Equipment	128,877,453	1.88%	2,428,748	2.18%	2,809,528	380,780	1.82%	2,340,435	(88,313)	(469,093)
312.1	Coal Cars	5,580,296	6.67%	372,206	5.00%	279,015	(93,191)	0.00%	0	(372,206)	(279,015)
314.0	Turbogenerator Units	36,776,791	1.61%	593,822	1.83%	673,015	79,193	1.38%	508,371	(85,451)	(164,644)
315.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	7,330,476	1.49%	109,207	1.75%	128,283	19,076	1.06%	77,567	(31,640)	(50,716)
316.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	3,909,460	1.95%	76,348	1.55%	60,597	(15,751)	1.27%	49,555	(26,793)	(11,042)
	Total Steam Production Plant	206,285,906	1.86%	3,831,684	2.10%	4,331,421	499,737	1.60%	3,306,937	(524,747)	(1,024,485)
HYDRAULIC PRODUCTION PLANT											
331.0	Structures & Improvements	556,389	1.64%	9,125	1.25%	6,955	(2,170)	1.18%	6,571	(2,554)	(384)
332.0	Reservoirs, Dams & Waterways	1,450,298	1.67%	24,220	2.00%	29,006	4,786	1.05%	15,269	(8,951)	(13,737)
333.0	Waterwheels, Turbines & Generators	1,611,159	1.47%	23,684	1.39%	22,395	(1,289)	1.35%	21,757	(1,927)	(638)
334.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	812,324	1.47%	11,941	1.83%	14,866	2,925	1.76%	14,330	2,389	(536)
335.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	366,646	2.44%	8,946	1.82%	6,673	(2,273)	1.72%	6,298	(2,648)	(375)
	Total Hydraulic Production Plant	4,796,816	1.62%	77,916	1.67%	79,894	1,978	1.34%	64,224	(13,692)	(15,670)
OTHER PRODUCTION PLANT											
341.0	Structures & Improvements	14,593,800	2.31%	336,689	1.82%	265,607	(71,082)	1.51%	220,988	(115,701)	(44,620)
342.0	Fuel Holders, Producers & Accessories	13,779,806	2.87%	394,824	3.75%	516,743	121,919	2.68%	368,692	(26,132)	(148,051)
343.0	Prime Movers	159,329,953	2.42%	3,863,033	2.27%	3,616,790	(246,243)	1.99%	3,175,620	(687,413)	(441,170)
344.0	Generators	81,375,321	2.12%	1,725,090	2.27%	1,847,220	122,130	2.10%	1,705,570	(19,520)	(141,650)
345.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	14,394,151	3.19%	458,614	1.67%	240,382	(218,232)	1.52%	219,084	(239,530)	(21,298)
346.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	14,351,732	3.85%	552,461	1.82%	261,202	(291,259)	1.68%	241,476	(310,985)	(19,725)
	Total Other Production Plant	297,824,763	2.46%	7,330,711	2.27%	6,747,943	(582,768)	1.99%	5,931,430	(1,399,281)	(816,514)
	Total Production Plant	508,907,485	2.21%	11,240,311	2.19%	11,159,259	(81,052)	1.83%	9,302,591	(1,937,720)	(1,856,669)
TRANSMISSION PLANT											
352.0	Structures & Improvements	2,357,554	2.09%	49,273	1.92%	45,265	(4,008)	2.15%	50,651	1,378	5,386
353.0	Station Equipment	82,068,329	2.20%	1,805,503	2.30%	1,887,572	82,069	2.57%	2,110,622	305,119	223,051
354.0	Towers & Fixtures	799,608	1.92%	15,351	1.67%	13,352	(1,999)	2.26%	18,079	2,728	4,727
355.0	Poles & Fixtures	29,992,731	3.33%	998,758	4.09%	1,226,703	227,945	4.55%	1,365,270	366,512	138,568
356.0	Overhead Conductors & Devices	53,063,576	2.15%	1,140,867	4.09%	2,170,300	1,029,433	4.59%	2,436,735	1,295,868	266,434
	Total Transmission Plant	168,281,698	2.38%	4,009,752	3.18%	5,343,191	1,333,439	3.55%	5,981,357	1,971,605	638,166
DISTRIBUTION PLANT											
361.0	Structures & Improvements	9,117,131	2.08%	189,636	2.50%	227,928	38,292	2.64%	240,683	51,047	12,755
362.0	Station Equipment	63,879,547	1.89%	1,207,323	3.33%	2,127,189	919,866	3.52%	2,246,736	1,039,413	119,547
364.0	Poles, Towers & Fixtures	106,735,812	4.35%	4,643,008	4.69%	5,005,910	362,902	4.96%	5,290,932	647,924	285,022
365.0	Overhead Conductors & Devices	115,440,681	3.77%	4,352,114	3.88%	4,479,098	126,984	4.05%	4,680,916	328,802	201,818
366.0	Underground Conduit	19,414,728	3.92%	761,057	2.22%	431,007	(330,050)	2.31%	448,381	(312,676)	17,374
367.0	Underground Conductors & Devices	45,457,445	3.59%	1,631,922	3.50%	1,591,011	(40,911)	3.68%	1,674,009	42,087	82,998
368.0	Line Transformers	76,635,996	2.78%	2,130,481	2.00%	1,532,720	(597,761)	2.09%	1,603,930	(526,551)	71,210
369.0	Services	54,565,246	5.00%	2,728,262	5.00%	2,728,262	0	5.28%	2,880,131	151,869	151,869
370.0	Meters	17,136,148	2.27%	388,991	2.34%	400,986	11,995	2.45%	420,426	31,435	19,440
371.0	Installations on Customers' Premises	13,667,365	5.80%	792,707	3.93%	537,127	(255,580)	4.19%	573,090	(219,617)	35,962
373.0	Street Lighting & Signal Systems	11,604,497	3.13%	363,221	2.40%	278,508	(84,713)	2.52%	292,260	(70,961)	13,753
	Total Distribution Plant	533,654,596	3.60%	19,188,722	3.62%	19,339,746	151,024	3.81%	20,351,493	1,162,771	1,011,747
GENERAL PLANT											
Depreciable Plant											
390.0	Structures & Improvements	9,212,785	2.75%	253,352	2.63%	242,296	(11,056)	2.27%	209,490	(43,862)	(32,806)
392.0	Transportation Equipment	6,819,102	7.08%	482,792	6.92%	471,882	(10,910)	6.09%	415,612	(67,180)	(56,269)
396.0	Power Operated Equipment	10,392,093	6.33%	657,819	6.33%	657,819	0	5.11%	531,164	(126,655)	(126,656)
	Total Depreciable General Plant	26,423,980	5.28%	1,393,963	5.19%	1,371,998	(21,965)	4.38%	1,156,266	(237,697)	(215,731)
Amortized Plant											
391.1	Office Furniture & Equipment	3,041,719	5.00%	152,086	4.00%	178,900	26,814	4.00%	121,669	(30,417)	(57,231)
391.2	Computer Equipment	10,715,630	10.00%	1,071,563	10.00%	1,366,512	294,949	10.00%	1,071,563	0	(294,949)
393.0	Store Equipment	333,503	3.17%	10,572	3.13%	(6,326)	(16,898)	3.13%	10,439	(133)	16,765
394.0	Tools, Shop, & Garage Equipment	2,797,946	4.50%	125,908	5.00%	156,467	30,559	5.00%	139,897	13,989	(16,570)
395.0	Laboratory Equipment	917,132	2.63%	24,121	2.38%	(29,195)	(53,316)	2.38%	21,828	(2,293)	51,023
397.0	Communications Equipment	6,784,189	4.00%	271,368	5.00%	768,844	497,476	5.00%	339,209	67,841	(429,635)
398.0	Miscellaneous Equipment	245,314	4.55%	11,162	4.00%	10,338	(824)	4.00%	9,813	(1,349)	(525)
	Total Amortized General Plant (1)	24,835,433	6.71%	1,666,780	9.85%	2,445,540	778,760	6.90%	1,714,417	47,637	(731,123)
	"Fully Depreciated" Retirements	3,443,412	6.71%	231,098			(231,098)			(231,098)	0
	Total General Plant	54,702,825	6.02%	3,291,841	6.98%	3,817,538	525,697	5.25%	2,870,684	(421,157)	(946,854)
	Total Electric Plant	1,265,546,604	2.98%	37,730,626	3.13%	39,659,734	1,929,108	3.04%	38,506,125	775,499	(1,153,610)

Sources:
Schedule DSR-3 and Company Depreciation workpapers

Notes:
1. Empire's proposed $1,714,418 of amortization expense plus $731,122 of four-year amount of Reserve Difference equals $2,445,540. See Schedule DSR-3, Table 1A.

REMAINING LIFE DEPRECIATION RATES

Account Number	Description	Surviving Balance 12/31/06	Net Salvage	Theoretical Reserve with Salvage	Redistributed Book Reserve	Average Remaining Life	Remaining to Accrue	Annual Accrual	Remaining Life Rate
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H=C*(1-D)-F	I=H/G	J=I/C
STEAM PRODUCTION PLANT									
311.0	Structures & Improvements	23,811,407	-20.00%	6,470,755	9,368,595	58.02	19,205,094	331,008	1.39%
312.0	Boiler Plant Equipment	128,877,438	-20.00%	42,140,208	61,012,128	40.01	93,640,798	2,340,435	1.82%
312.1	Coal Cars	5,580,296		4,882,759	5,580,296	2.50	0	0	0.00%
314.0	Turbogenerator Units	36,776,779	-10.00%	14,345,765	20,770,321	38.72	19,684,136	508,371	1.38%
315.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	7,330,468	-5.00%	3,609,319	5,225,704	31.86	2,471,288	77,567	1.06%
316.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	3,909,454	15.00%	951,782	1,378,025	39.25	1,945,011	49,554	1.27%
	Total Steam Production Plant	206,285,842		72,400,588	103,335,068		136,946,326	3,306,936	1.60%
HYDRAULIC PRODUCTION PLANT									
331.0	Structures & Improvements	556,388		148,422	170,931	58.66	385,457	6,571	1.18%
332.0	Reservoirs, Dams & Waterways	1,450,298	-20.00%	1,318,272	1,518,194	14.55	222,163	15,269	1.05%
333.0	Waterwheels, Turbines & Generators	1,611,159		248,676	286,389	60.89	1,324,770	21,757	1.35%
334.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	812,325	-10.00%	178,514	205,587	48.01	687,971	14,330	1.76%
335.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	366,646		97,993	112,854	40.30	253,792	6,298	1.72%
	Total Hydraulic Production Plant	4,796,816		1,991,877	2,293,955		2,874,153	64,224	1.34%
OTHER PRODUCTION PLANT									
341.0	Structures & Improvements	14,593,792		2,595,737	4,600,739	45.22	9,993,053	220,987	1.51%
342.0	Fuel Holders, Producers & Accessories	13,779,799	-20.00%	4,472,306	7,926,809	23.35	8,608,950	368,692	2.68%
343.0	Prime Movers	159,329,946		21,899,522	38,815,172	37.95	120,514,774	3,175,620	1.99%
344.0	Generators	81,375,315		7,439,896	13,186,628	39.98	68,188,687	1,705,570	2.10%
345.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	14,394,146		1,455,041	2,578,945	53.93	11,815,201	219,084	1.52%
346.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	14,351,825		1,264,776	2,241,716	50.15	12,110,109	241,478	1.68%
	Total Other Production Plant	297,824,823		39,127,278	69,350,008		231,230,775	5,931,431	1.99%
	Total Production Plant	508,907,481		113,519,743	174,979,031		371,051,254	9,302,591	1.83%
TRANSMISSION PLANT									
352.0	Structures & Improvements	2,357,554	-15.00%	781,951	548,385	42.70	2,162,802	50,651	2.15%
353.0	Station Equipment	82,068,327	-15.00%	26,743,014	18,754,980	35.83	75,623,596	2,110,622	2.57%
354.0	Towers & Fixtures	799,508	-25.00%	543,932	381,462	34.18	617,923	18,079	2.26%
355.0	Poles & Fixtures	29,992,727	-125.00%	18,491,840	12,968,400	39.93	54,515,236	1,365,270	4.55%
356.0	Overhead Conductors & Devices	53,063,577	-125.00%	34,735,860	24,360,394	39.00	95,032,654	2,436,735	4.59%
	Total Transmission Plant	168,281,693		81,296,597	57,013,621		227,952,211	5,981,357	3.55%
DISTRIBUTION PLANT									
361.0	Structures & Improvements	8,820,046	-50.00%	3,673,342	3,138,773	43.34	10,091,296	232,840	2.64%
362.0	Station Equipment	63,879,548	-50.00%	26,368,062	22,530,807	32.62	73,288,515	2,246,736	3.52%
364.0	Poles, Towers & Fixtures	106,735,813	-125.00%	67,926,880	58,041,711	34.42	182,113,869	5,290,932	4.96%
365.0	Overhead Conductors & Devices	115,440,679	-125.00%	61,626,016	52,657,790	44.24	207,083,738	4,680,916	4.05%
366.0	Underground Conduit	19,414,726		4,134,815	3,533,089	35.42	15,881,637	448,380	2.31%
367.0	Underground Conductors & Devices	45,457,443	-5.00%	12,602,145	10,768,197	22.08	36,962,118	1,674,009	3.68%
368.0	Line Transformers	76,635,996		18,545,976	15,847,043	37.90	60,788,953	1,603,930	2.09%
369.0	Services	54,565,243	-125.00%	33,966,580	29,023,538	32.55	93,748,258	2,880,131	5.28%
370.0	Meters	17,136,144	-3.00%	4,379,940	3,742,542	33.08	13,907,686	420,426	2.45%
371.0	Installations on Customers' Premises	13,667,367	-10.00%	4,757,511	4,065,167	19.14	10,968,937	573,090	4.19%
373.0	Street Lighting & Signal Systems	11,604,496	-15.00%	3,472,317	2,967,002	35.51	10,378,168	292,260	2.52%
	Total Distribution Plant	533,357,501		241,453,584	206,315,660		715,213,174	20,343,650	3.81%
GENERAL PLANT									
Depreciable Plant									
390.0	Structures & Improvements	9,212,785	-5.00%	4,183,993	4,917,997	22.70	4,755,427	209,490	2.27%
392.0	Transportation Equipment	6,619,639	10.00%	2,422,117	2,847,033	7.71	3,110,642	403,456	6.09%
396.0	Power Operated Equipment	10,373,951	5.00%	5,163,520	6,069,364	7.14	3,785,889	530,237	5.11%
	Total Depreciable General Plant	26,206,375		11,769,630	13,834,395		11,651,958	1,143,182	4.36%
Amortized Plant									
391.1	Office Furniture & Equipment	3,041,719		1,773,251	1,773,251		1,268,468	121,669	4.00%
391.2	Computer Equipment	10,715,630		3,675,583	3,675,583		7,040,047	1,071,563	10.00%
393.0	Store Equipment	333,503		175,626	175,626		157,877	10,439	3.13%
394.0	Tools, Shop, & Garage Equipment	2,797,946		1,102,527	1,102,527		1,695,419	139,897	5.00%
395.0	Laboratory Equipment	917,132		382,355	382,355		534,777	21,828	2.38%
397.0	Communications Equipment	6,784,189		4,057,362	4,057,362		2,726,827	339,209	5.00%
398.0	Miscellaneous Equipment	245,314		75,083	75,083		170,231	9,813	4.00%
	Total Amortized General Plant	24,835,433		11,241,788	11,241,788		13,593,645	1,714,417	6.90%
	"Fully Depreciated" Retirements	3,443,412		3,443,412	3,443,412		0	0	0.00%
	Total General Plant	54,485,220		26,454,829	28,519,594		25,245,604	2,857,600	5.24%
	Total Electric Plant	1,265,031,895		462,724,753	466,827,906		1,339,462,243	38,485,197	3.04%

Source:
Company Depreciation Study workpapers

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION	)	**Docket No.**
OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION	)	
FOR REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENT OF ITS	)	
NATURAL GAS RATES	)	**08-ATMG-280-RTS**

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

DONALD S. ROFF

FOR ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

I. INTRODUCTION

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS AND BUSINESS AFFILIATION.

A. My name is Donald S. Roff and my address is 2832 Gainesborough Drive, Dallas, Texas 75287. I am President of Depreciation Specialty Resources.

Q. WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE?

A. My qualifications and experience are described on Exhibit DSR-1.

Q. HAVE YOU EVER TESTIFIED BEFORE THIS COMMISSION?

A. Yes. A listing of my regulatory appearances is contained on Exhibit DSR-2.

Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

A. I have conducted a depreciation study of the depreciable natural gas distribution properties in Kansas (referred to hereinafter as the "Kansas System") of Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or "the Company") as of September 30, 2006, and I have made recommendations for revised depreciation rates for inclusion in the Company's revenue requirement. I have also conducted a depreciation study of the plant assets of the Company's Shared Services Unit (SSU)[1] as of September

[1] The Company's Shared Services Unit provides common services, such as accounting, legal, risk management, treasury, procurement, information technology, etc., to all of the Company's utility divisions.

A. Yes. The Company recently settled a general rate case in Kentucky which, as part of the settlement, adopted these rates. These depreciation rates have also been included in a general rate case the Company filed in Tennessee earlier this year, but, as of the date of this direct testimony, that case is still pending. Based upon a similar study which I performed in 2002, Atmos has had SSU depreciation rates approved in several other jurisdictions, including Louisiana, Texas and Virginia.

Q. WOULD YOU SUMMARIZE THE RESULTS OF THE SSU DEPRECIATION STUDY?

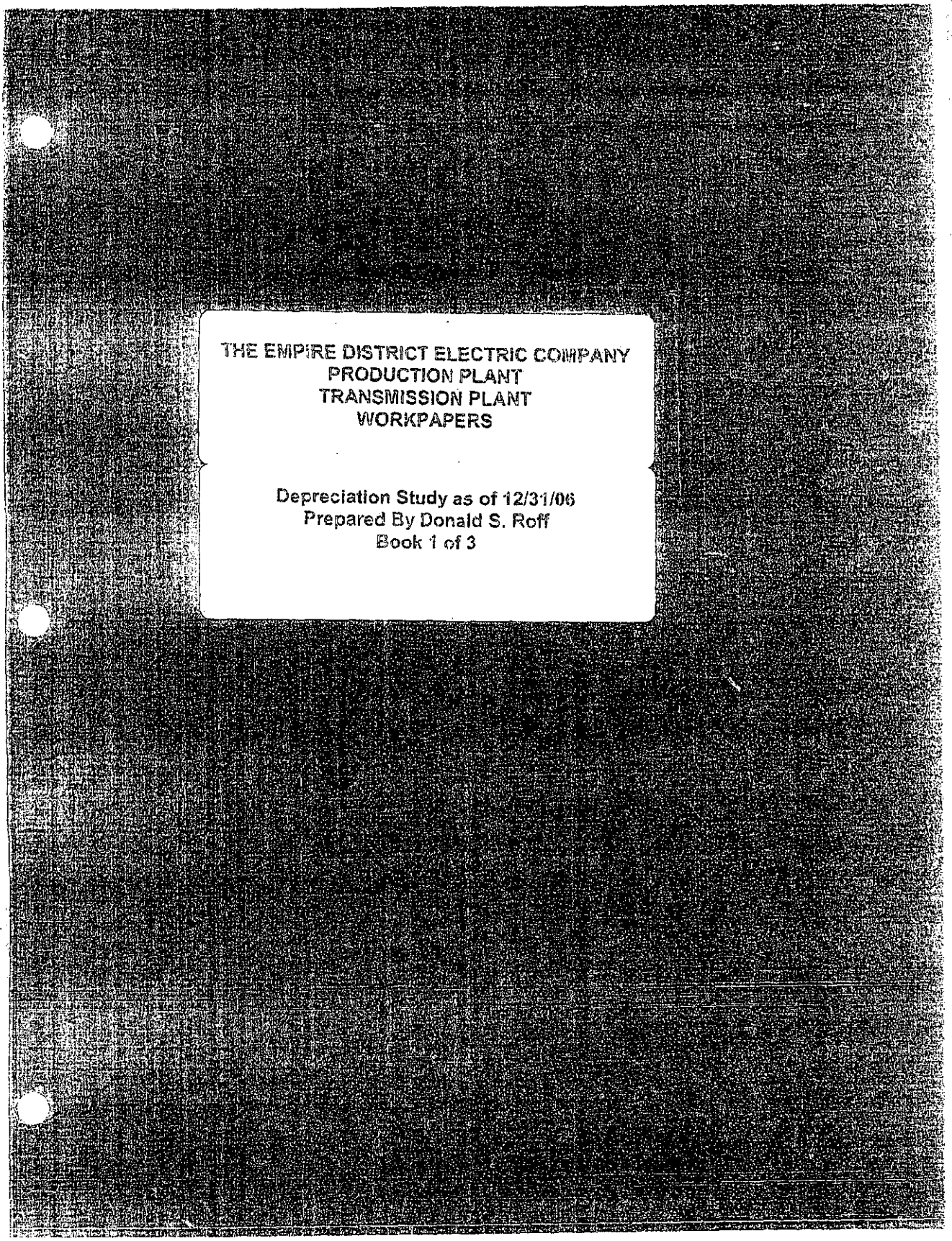
A. Yes. In general, average service lives have increased. Net salvage remained the same for each asset category. There are three asset categories containing the largest changes in annual depreciation expense: Account 399.01, Server Hardware; Account 399.08, Application Software and Account 399.24, General Start-up Costs. For Account 399.01, the decrease in annual depreciation expense of $1,069,241 is due to an increase in average service life from 5 years to 10 years. For Account 399.08, the increase in annual depreciation expense of $3,217,244 is due to reserve position. For Account 399.24, the increase in annual depreciation expense of $1,751,828 is due to reserve position.

Q. WHEN YOU USE THE TERM "RESERVE POSITION", WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

A. The term "reserve position" refers to the difference between a theoretical reserve and the existing book reserve. If the theoretical reserve is greater than the book reserve, past depreciation has been inadequate compared to the depreciation parameters developed in the Kansas and the SSU study, and an upward adjustment to the depreciation rate is required. If the opposite is true, a downward adjustment to the depreciation rate is required.

Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE DEPRECIATION RATES THAT SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED FOR SSU IN THIS CASE.

A. I recommend that the Commission adopt the depreciation rates shown on Schedule 1 of Exhibit DSR-4. I base this recommendation on the fact that I have conducted a comprehensive depreciation study, giving appropriate recognition to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DEPRECIATION SPECIALTY RESOURCES

DEPRECIATION SYSTEM - DSALG04 RELEASE 7.0

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*** THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY ***

AVERAGE LIFE GROUP METHOD REMAINING LIFE RATE

ACCOUNT NUMBER	SURVIVING BALANCE DECEMBER 31 2006	ASL & CURVE	NET	% SLVG	WHOLE LIFE RATE	THEORETICAL RESERVE W/SALVAGE	BOOK RESERVE BY GROUP	AVERAGE REMAINING LIFE	REMAINING TO ACCRUE	ANNUAL ACCRUAL	REMAINING LIFE ACCRUAL RATE
31100000	23811407.	75.0R2.0		-20.0	1.60	6470755.	8661408.	58.02	19912280.	343223.	1.44
31200000	128877438.	55.0S.5		-20.0	2.18	42140208.	62899279.	40.01	91753647.	2293069.	1.78
31210000	5590296.	20.0SQ		0.0	5.00	4882759.	5489556.	2.50	90740.	36296.	0.65
31400000	36776779.	60.0R3.0		-10.0	1.83	14345765.	20748143.	38.72	19706314.	508903.	1.38
31500000	7330468.	60.0R4.0		-5.0	1.75	3609319.	3555522.	31.86	4141469.	129971.	1.77
31600000	3909454.	55.0R2.5		15.0	1.55	951782.	1981160.	39.25	1341876.	34191.	0.87
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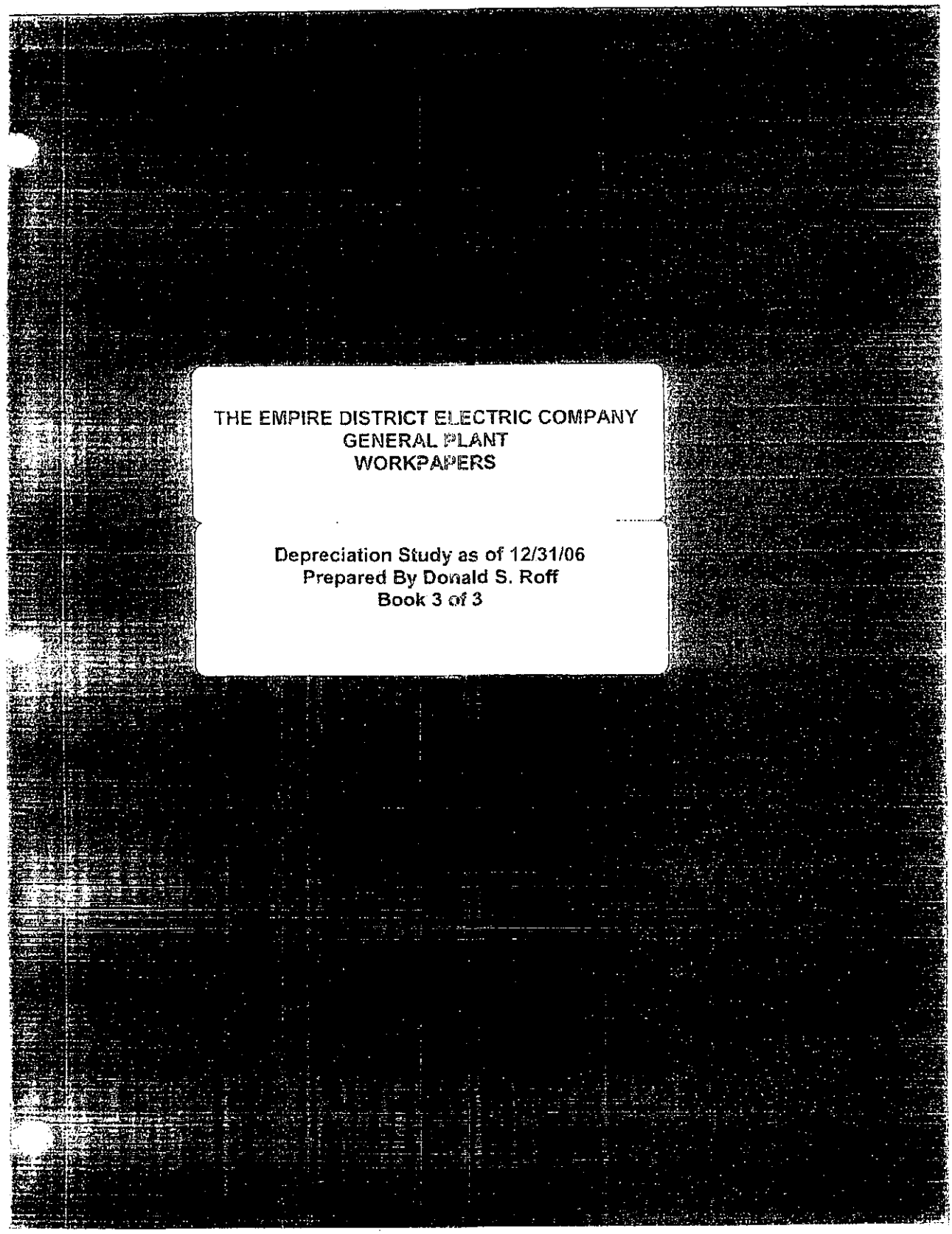
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AVERAGE LIFE GROUP METHOD REMAINING LIFE RATE

ACCOUNT NUMBER	SURVIVING BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2006	ASL & CURVE	NET	% SLVG	WHOLE LIFE RATE	THEORETICAL RESERVE W/SALVAGE	BOOK RESERVE BY GROUP	AVERAGE REMAINING LIFE	REMAINING TO ACCRUE	ANNUAL ACCRUAL	REMAINING LIFE ACCRUAL RATE
39000000	9212785.	40.0S2.0		-5.0	2.62	4183993.	5230549.	22.70	4442875.	195730.	2.12
39110000	3274186.	25.0L1.0		0.0	4.00	1263708.	1776797.	15.35	1497391.	97544.	2.98
39120000	11577927.	10.0L2.0		0.0	10.00	3771130.	3358085.	6.74	8219842.	1219050.	10.53
39200000	6619639.	13.0L2.0		10.0	6.92	2422117.	5708172.	7.71	249503.	32341.	0.49
39300000	340331.	32.0R2.5		0.0	3.12	161235.	257315.	16.84	83016.	4930.	1.45
39400000	3464358.	20.0R5.0		10.0	4.50	1604231.	1765859.	9.71	1352063.	139250.	4.02
39500000	947056.	42.0R3.0		0.0	2.38	377623.	616370.	25.25	330686.	13095.	1.38
39600000	10373951.	15.0R4.0		5.0	6.33	5163520.	5820161.	7.14	4035093.	565063.	5.45
39700000	8197844.	20.0S2.0		0.0	5.00	4618202.	3886570.	8.73	4311274.	493669.	6.02
39800000	272048.	25.0S.5		0.0	4.00	82249.	99716.	17.44	172332.	9880.	3.63
	54280129.					23648011.	28519594.		24694077.	2770551.	5.10

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REDISTRIBUTION OF GENERAL PLANT BOOK RESERVE

Account Number	Description	Book Reserve	Theoretical Reserve with Salvage		Percent used to Redistribute Reserve	Redistributed Reserve	
A	B	C	D		E=D/(j)	F (1)	
GENERAL PLANT							
Depreciable Plant							
390.0	Structures & Improvements	5,230,549	4,183,993		35.55%	4,917,997	
392.0	Transportation Equipment	5,708,172	2,422,117		20.58%	2,847,033	
396.0	Power Operated Equipment	5,820,161	5,163,520		43.87%	6,069,364	
	Total Depreciable General Plant	16,758,882	11,769,630	(j)	100.00%	13,834,395	(g)-(h)-(i)
Amortized Plant							
391.1	Office Furniture & Equipment	1,776,797	1,773,251			1,773,251	
391.2	Computer Equipment	3,358,085	3,675,583			3,675,583	
393.0	Store Equipment	257,315	175,626			175,626	
394.0	Tools, Shop, & Garage Equipment	1,765,859	1,102,527			1,102,527	
395.0	Laboratory Equipment	616,370	382,355			382,355	
397.0	Communications Equipment	3,886,570	4,057,362			4,057,362	
398.0	Miscellaneous Equipment	99,716	75,083			75,083	
	Total Amortized General Plant	11,760,712	11,241,788			11,241,788	(h)
	"Fully Depreciated" Retirements		3,443,412			3,443,412	(i)
	Total General Plant	28,519,594	26,454,829	(g)		28,519,594	

Note:
(1) Redistributed Reserve for Amortized Plant set equal to Theoretical Reserve.
Redistributed Reserve for Depreciable Plant allocates remaining Book Reserve by column E.

Sources:
Columns C and D from Company Depreciation Study workpapers for General Plant

REDISTRIBUTION OF BOOK RESERVE BY PLANT CATEGORY

Account Number	Description	Book Reserve	Theoretical Reserve with Salvage	Percent used to Redistribute Reserve	Redistributed Reserve	
A	B	C	D	E=D/Total Cat D	F=E*Total Cat C	
STEAM PRODUCTION PLANT						
311.0	Structures & Improvements	8,661,408	6,470,755	8.94%	9,368,595	
312.0	Boiler Plant Equipment	62,899,279	42,140,208	58.20%	61,012,128	
312.1	Coal Cars	5,489,556	4,882,759	6.74%	5,580,296	(1)
314.0	Turbogenerator Units	20,748,143	14,345,765	19.81%	20,770,321	
315.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	3,555,522	3,609,319	4.99%	5,225,704	
316.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	1,981,160	951,782	1.31%	1,378,025	
	Total Steam Production Plant	103,335,068	72,400,588	100.00%	103,335,068	
HYDRAULIC PRODUCTION PLANT						
331.0	Structures & Improvements	239,275	148,422	7.45%	170,931	
332.0	Reservoirs, Dams & Waterways	1,322,680	1,318,272	66.18%	1,518,194	
333.0	Waterwheels, Turbines & Generators	386,529	248,676	12.48%	286,389	
334.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	188,302	178,514	8.96%	205,587	
335.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	157,169	97,993	4.92%	112,854	
	Total Hydraulic Production Plant	2,293,955	1,991,877	100.00%	2,293,955	
OTHER PRODUCTION PLANT						
341.0	Structures & Improvements	3,856,677	2,595,737	6.63%	4,600,739	
342.0	Fuel Holders, Producers & Accessories	3,794,238	4,472,306	11.43%	7,926,809	
343.0	Prime Movers	42,382,604	21,899,522	55.97%	38,815,172	
344.0	Generators	13,297,506	7,439,896	19.01%	13,186,628	
345.0	Accessory Electric Equipment	2,893,533	1,455,041	3.72%	2,578,945	
346.0	Misc. Power Plant Equipment	3,125,450	1,264,776	3.23%	2,241,716	
	Total Other Production Plant	69,350,008	39,127,278	100.00%	69,350,008	
TRANSMISSION PLANT						
352.0	Structures & Improvements	956,612	781,951	0.96%	548,385	
353.0	Station Equipment	28,339,591	26,743,014	32.90%	18,754,980	
354.0	Towers & Fixtures	728,199	543,932	0.67%	381,462	
355.0	Poles & Fixtures	12,215,983	18,491,840	22.75%	12,968,400	
356.0	Overhead Conductors & Devices	14,773,236	34,735,860	42.73%	24,360,394	
	Total Transmission Plant	57,013,621	81,296,597	100.00%	57,013,621	
DISTRIBUTION PLANT						
361.0	Structures & Improvements	3,206,981	3,673,342	1.52%	3,138,773	
362.0	Station Equipment	24,206,728	26,368,062	10.92%	22,530,807	
364.0	Poles, Towers & Fixtures	48,298,664	67,926,880	28.13%	58,041,711	
365.0	Overhead Conductors & Devices	40,553,223	61,626,016	25.52%	52,657,790	
366.0	Underground Conduit	6,685,692	4,134,815	1.71%	3,533,089	
367.0	Underground Conductors & Devices	14,080,733	12,602,145	5.22%	10,768,197	
368.0	Line Transformers	26,073,278	18,545,976	7.68%	15,847,043	
369.0	Services	25,335,853	33,966,580	14.07%	29,023,538	
370.0	Meters	6,061,647	4,379,940	1.81%	3,742,542	
371.0	Installations on Customers' Premises	7,280,613	4,757,511	1.97%	4,065,167	
373.0	Street Lighting & Signal Systems	4,532,248	3,472,317	1.44%	2,967,002	
	Total Distribution Plant	206,315,660	241,453,584	100.00%	206,315,660	

Note:
(1) Account 312.1-Coal Cars is now fully depreciated due to redistribution.

Sources:
Columns C and D from Company Depreciation Study workpapers

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Qualifications

The Consultant is a consulting engineer specializing in utility regulatory proceedings. He has participated in over 200 state regulatory proceedings as listed on the attached Relevant Work Experience.

The Consultant has provided cost analysis, rate design, jurisdictional separations, depreciation, expert testimony and other related services to state agencies throughout the country in numerous state regulatory proceedings.

The Consultant provides services almost exclusively to public agencies, including the Public Utilities Commission, the Public Counsel, or the State Department of Administration in various states.

William Dunkel currently provides, or in the past has provided, services in state utility regulatory proceedings to the following clients:

The Public Utility Commission or the Staffs in the States of:

Arkansas	Mississippi
Arizona	Missouri
Delaware	New Mexico
Georgia	Utah
Guam	Virginia
Illinois	Washington
Maryland	U.S. Virgin Islands
Kansas	

The Office of the Public Advocate, or its equivalent, in the States of:

Colorado	Maryland
District of Columbia	Missouri
Georgia	New Jersey
Hawaii	New Mexico
Illinois	Ohio
Indiana	Pennsylvania
Iowa	Utah
Maine	Washington

The Department of Administration in the States of:

Illinois	South Dakota
Minnesota	Wisconsin

The Consultant graduated from the University of Illinois in February, 1970 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering Physics with emphasis on economics and other business-related subjects. The Consultant has taken several post-graduate courses since graduation.

From 1970 to 1974, the Consultant was a design engineer for Sangamo Electric Company (Sangamo was later purchased by Schlumberger) designing electric watt-hour meters used in the electric utility industry. The Consultant was granted patent No. 3822400 for a solid state meter pulse initiator which was used in metering.

Between April, 1974 and July, 1980 the Consultant was employed by the Illinois Commerce Commission as a Utility Engineer in the Electric and Telephone Sections. During that period, he testified as an expert witness in numerous rate design cases and tariff filings in the areas of rate design, cost studies and separations. During the period 1975-1980, he was the Separations and Settlements expert for the Staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission.

From July, 1977 until July, 1980, he was a Staff member of the FCC-State Joint Board on Separations, concerning the "Impact of Customer Provision of Terminal Equipment on Jurisdictional Separations" in FCC Docket No. 20981 on behalf of the Illinois Commerce Commission. The FCC-State Joint Board is the national board that specifies the rules for separations in the telephone industry.

The Consultant has completed an advanced depreciation program entitled "Forecasting Life and Salvage" offered by Depreciation Programs, Inc.

Mr. Dunkel is a member of the Society of Depreciation Professionals.

Since July 1980 he has been regularly employed as an independent consultant in state utility regulatory proceedings across the nation.

He has testified before the Illinois House of Representatives Subcommittee on Communications, as well as participated in numerous other schools and conferences pertaining to the utility industry.

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE OF WILLIAM DUNKEL

ALASKA	
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- ML&P	Docket No. U-06-006
- ACS of Anchorage	Docket No. U-01-34
- ACS	
General rate case	Docket Nos. U-01-83, U-01-85, U-01-87
AFOR proceeding	Docket No. R-03-003
- All Companies	
Access charge proceeding	Docket No. R-01-001
- Interior Telephone Company	Docket No. U-07-75
- OTZ Telephone Cooperative	Docket No. U-03-85
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