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I. INTRODUCTION

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2	Q. Please state your name and business address.							
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4	("Ameren Missouri" or "Company"), One Ameren Plaza, 1901 Chouteau Avenue, St.							
5	Louis, Missouri 63103.							
6	Q. What is your position with Ameren Missouri?							
7	A. I am employed by Ameren Missouri as a Regulatory Rate Specialist.							
8	Q. Please describe your educational background and employment							
9	experience.							
10	A. I earned a Bachelor of Science in Economics from Bradley University in							
11	2006 and a Masters of Science in Electricity, Natural Gas, and Telecommunications							
12	Economics from Illinois State University in 2008. I was employed as an economic analyst							
13	with the Illinois Commerce Commission's Federal Energy Program ("ICC") from 2008							
14	until 2012. My work at the ICC primarily revolved around interventions in Federal Energy							
15	Regulatory Commission dockets, but also included support for state jurisdictional policy							
16	and regulation. I was employed as a lecturer in the Department of Economics and a research							
17	associate with the Institute for Regulatory Policy Studies ("IRPS") at Illinois State							
18	University between 2011 and 2014. My work with the IRPS centered on the development							
19	of a national database of utility rates for the US Department of Energy. I joined Ameren							

- 1 Missouri in August of 2020 as a regulatory rate specialist in the Rates and Analysis. On
- 2 December 18, 2020, I completed the requirements for a PhD in Energy Systems from the
- 3 University of California, Davis, and the degree was awarded on March 19, 2021. My
- 4 primary fields of study were economic theory and econometrics, and my research focused
- 5 on changes in the technical and economic structure of the electric utility industry.

6 II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY

- 7 Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony?
- 8 A. The purpose of my direct testimony is to:
- 9 1. Discuss the process used to develop normalized test year billing units and
- 10 normalized revenues at current rates;
- Describe elements of the new, proposed Community Solar Program;
- 12 3. Discuss the analysis of Rider EDI realized rates; and
- 4. Address other miscellaneous tariff revisions.
- Q. Are you sponsoring any schedules for presentation to the Commission
- in this proceeding?
- 16 A. Yes, I am sponsoring four Schedules.
- Schedule NSB-D1 details the normalized billing units used to determine the
- 18 normalized retail revenues and develop rates.
- 19 <u>Schedule NSB-D2</u> contains the proposed tariff sheets for the new Community Solar
- 20 Program.
- 21 <u>Schedule NSB-D3</u> provides the results of the Rider EDI realized rate analysis
- 22 (Confidential & Public).

requirement under normal conditions.

1 Schedule NSB-D4 contains the exemplary tariff sheet for the Community Solar 2 Pilot Program's updated Total Facilities Charge. 3 III. DEVELOPMENT OF NORMALIZED BILLING UNITS 4 Q. Did you conduct the billing unit analysis for this case? 5 A. Yes, I conducted the billing unit analysis for this case. 6 Q. What period of time does the billing unit analysis cover? 7 A. The billing unit analysis was conducted using the twelve months ending 8 December 31, 2020 as the period of study, the proposed test year for this case. 9 Q. Please explain what is meant by the term "billing unit." 10 A. A billing unit is a measurable quantity which drives electric power system 11 cost and can be used in conjunction with filed rates to determine customer bills. Billing 12 units include customers (customer count), electrical energy consumption (kilowatt-hours 13 or kWh), power demand (kilowatts or kW), and reactive power demand (kilovolt-ampere 14 reactive or kVar). The billing units used to bill a customer depend on a customer's rate 15 class, but virtually all customers' bills are determined by more than one billing unit. Billing 16 units are typically normalized when rates are set. 17 Q. Why are billing units normalized? 18 Billing units are normalized for two related reasons. First, billing units are A. 19 normalized in order to calculate the normalized revenue, the revenue the Company would 20 expect to earn under normal conditions at current rates. Second, normalized billing units 21 are used to develop the proposed rates that will allow the company to earn its revenue

Q. What is the result of the billing unit analysis?

A. The billing unit analysis results in the normalized test year billing units, and when the current rates are applied, provides the Company's normalized revenue. The normalized test year billing units are detailed in Schedule NSB-D1. The Company's normalized revenue in this case is \$2,501,995,147. The Company's actual revenues, total revenue adjustments, and normalized revenues are shown by customer class in Table 1.

Table 1. Normalized Revenue By Class

Customer Class	Actual Revenues	Total Adjustments	Normalized Revenue					
1M	1,272,233,572	809,604	1,273,043,176					
2M	269,741,584	4,505,924	274,247,507					
3M 504,230,639 2,918,500 507,149,139								
4M	220,166,171	249,937	220,416,108					
11M	188,674,769	-98,908	188,575,861					
Lighting 38,444,035 44,355 38,488,390								
MSD 74,966 -476 74,966								
*Total 2,493,565,737 8,399,889 2,501,995,147								
*Total may differ from sum of rows due to rounding.								

The difference between the Company's total revenue requirement, as calculated by Company witness Mitchell Lansford, and normalized revenue represents the difference between the Company's cost of service and the revenue that the Company would expect to earn in a normal year at current rates. The normalized billing units are used in conjunction with this difference to determine proposed rates that fully cover the Company's cost under normal conditions.

Q. What adjustments is the Company making to normalize billing units?

A. The Company is making six adjustments to normalize billing units and consequently revenues, and also making three adjustments that do not impact billing units but result in direct adjustments to revenue. The six billing unit adjustments are as follows:

- 1 1. A weather normalization adjustment;
- 2 2. A days adjustment;
- 3. An energy efficiency adjustment;
- 4 4. A solar adjustment;
- 5. A growth adjustment; and
- 6. An initial pandemic shock adjustment.
- 7 The three direct revenue adjustments are as follows:
- 8 1. A rate annualization adjustment;
- 9 2. An economic development incentive adjustment; and
- 10 3. A community solar adjustment.
- 11 The revenue value of each billing unit adjustment is shown in Table 2 by customer class.

12 **Table 2. Billing Unit Revenue Adjustments**

Customer	Weather	Days	Energy Efficiency	Solar	Growth	Pandemic Shock
Class	Adjustment	Adjustment	Adjustment	Adjustment	Adjustment	Adjustment
1M	6,296,623	33,505	-10,238,668	-372,621	7,546,475	0
2M	1,348,164	-683,092	-1,925,718	-66,757	1,886,645	3,734,472
3M	1,926,984	-771,308	-3,771,934	-94,248	-29,144	5,734,443
4M	242,606	-738,939	-1,114,873	0	-96,169	2,057,648
11M	47,458	-988,322	-91,061	-118	-517,970	1,304,840
Lighting	0	0	0	0	44,355	0
MSD	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Total	9,861,835	-3,148,155	-17,142,255	-533,743	8,834,193	12,831,403

- 13 The value of each non-billing unit revenue adjustment are shown in Table 3 by customer
- 14 class.

Table 3. Non-Billing Unit Revenue Adjustments

			Community				
Customer	Annualization	EDI	Solar				
Class	Adjustment	Adjustment	Adjustment				
1M	-2,549,766	0	94,056				
2M	212,209	0	0				
3M	18,166	-94,460	0				
4M	-15,778	-84,558	0				
11M	146,263	0	0				
Lighting	0	0	0				
MSD	0	0	0				
*Total	-2,188,905	-179,018	94,056				
*Total may differ from sum of rows due to rounding.							

Q. What is the starting point for the process of normalizing billing units?

A. The process of normalizing billing units starts with the actual metered and billed test year billing units. The Company's billing system writes newly generated customer meter and billing data to a database for future data retrieval and analysis. Queries written and sent to the database can return customer billing data at varying levels of granularity. In the first step of the billing unit analysis, we retrieve the actual monthly billing units as customer class level aggregates. We exclusively use these monthly class level aggregates for the residential, small general service, large general service, and small primary service classes billing unit analysis. The query which produces the class level aggregates listed above also includes the aggregates for the large primary service and lighting service classes, but those aggregates are supplemented by large primary service account and lighting fixture level data. This data is the starting point for the process of normalizing billing units and calculating normalized revenues at current rates.

Q. How are the actual aggregate monthly billing units used in your analysis?

A. The actual aggregate monthly billing units are used in conjunction with historical rates that were applicable during the test year to calculate the actual revenues

earned in the test year. Separate calculations are made for base rate revenue and rider revenue. Riders for the test year include the fuel adjustment clause ("FAC"), energy efficiency incentive charge, and the renewable energy standard revenue adjustment mechanism. The calculated base rate revenue is compared to the Company's book revenue minus the calculated rider revenue. In ideal circumstances, the difference between the Company's book revenue minus calculated rider revenue would equal the base rate revenue. However, corrections and rebillings do occur and can change revenues in a way not fully reflected in changes to billing units and vice versa. Nonetheless, the differences we observe between calculated and booked base revenues are minimal, ranging from 0.001% in the small general service class to 0.05% in the large general service class. A portion of these differences appears also to originate from the challenge of prorating rider revenues associated with FAC changes occurring after the first of the month.

Q. What is the purpose of conducting the large primary service billing unit analysis at the customer account level?

A. We conduct the large primary service billing unit analysis at the customer account level, because the number of customers is small enough to make the account level analysis feasible. The customers are also large, in terms of billing units, and changes in a single customer's load can have a non-negligible impact on the class aggregate and system load. Customer level data allows us to identify customer specific trends and anomalies, research their causes, and make customer-specific adjustments when necessary. For instance, in the 2020 test year, customer level data shows one specific large primary service customer whose load drops to zero in month five of the test year and remains at zero thereafter. A follow-up investigation reveals that this manufacturing customer did not

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- 1 temporarily shut down due to the public health crisis, but rather closed permanently due to
- 2 competitive pressures in the market. The four months of this customer's kWh, kW, and
- 3 kVar were removed from the test year to annualize the impact of that customer's closure,
- 4 since the customer is not expected to return to service, and therefore, will not contribute
- 5 revenues when rates from this case take effect.

Q. What is the purpose of conducting the lighting service billing unit analysis at the lighting fixture level?

Unlike all other retail electric rates, retail rates for unmetered lighting A. service are defined on a dollar per fixture per month basis, and more than 90 percent of the Company's lighting service revenue comes from unmetered customers. While we can observe customer counts, implied kWh (rated watts \times lighting hours \times 1/1000), and book revenues at the class level using aggregate monthly data, we cannot calculate base revenue using these monthly aggregates. We cannot make this calculation, because base revenue is determined by the monthly rate per fixture and the fixture count. Technically, fixture counts are the billing units for unmetered lighting service. Therefore, we retrieve monthly fixture counts in a separate query in order to conduct the lighting service billing unit analysis. The fixture level data also allows us to embed the LED conversion in our pro-forma growth annualization adjustment. Component/fixture counts are projected out to September 2021 using the fixture specific count trends during the test year. Those trends capture absolute growth in total fixture counts and also the conversion of historic fixture types to LED fixtures. Generally speaking, we observe declines in the historic fixture types and offsetting increases in LED fixture types.

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A. Billing Unit Revenue Adjustments

Q. How and why was the weather adjustment made?

A. The weather adjustment, or weather normalization, is made to remove the impact that test year specific weather conditions have on revenues through weather's impact on billing units. The weather normalized billing units are a statistical estimate of the billing units that would have occurred during the test year under the assumption of 'normal' weather conditions. The impact of test year weather on billing units and revenue and the resulting adjustment result when weather in the test year deviates from normal weather. It is possible for test year weather to be equivalent to normal weather, but given the degree of variation in weather from year to year, the possibility is highly improbable. The direction and magnitude of the billing unit and revenue impact and resulting adjustment are a function of the direction and magnitude of the monthly deviations between test year weather and normal weather, and the way different customer class loads respond to variation in weather at different times of the year. The weather adjustments are made using customer class and month specific weather adjustment ratios. The class and month specific weather adjustment ratios are multiplied by actual kWh billing units for that class and month to produce weather adjusted kWh billing units. The ratios are defined as the ratio of normal kWh to actual billed kWh for each class in each month. Actual billed kWh are observed and normal kWh are estimated for each class using statistical models of the relationship between weather and billing units, and then that relationship is used to make adjustments to observed kWh based on the difference between actual and normal weather conditions. Our class specific statistical models of the relationship between weather and kWh usage are estimated by ordinary least squares using day-of-week and month fixed

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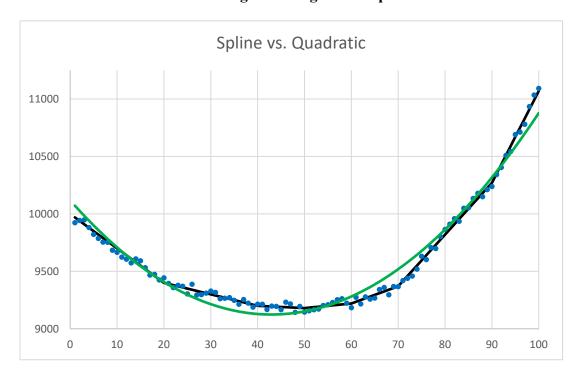
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effects and a temperature spline. The day-of-week and month fixed effects capture the predictable level differences in kWh usage that exist along these dimensions of time, and that are not related to variation in daily temperature. For instance, there is a predictable difference between the level of kWh used on Saturdays and Sundays and the level of kWh used during the weekdays at an office building that is not related to the variation in daily temperature. Monthly fixed effects capture predictable variations in the level of kWh usage associated with environmental and behavior factors that are seasonal, but independent of variation in daily temperature. For instance, the level of kWh used during winter months is greater than spring or summer due to the increased hours of lighting. In addition to these level effects, we observe a predictable non-linear relationship between temperature and kWh usage. The relationship might generally be characterized as parabolic with the parabola opening upward, i.e. greater kWh usage at higher and lower temperatures and lower kWh usage in the middle of the range of temperatures, but the relationship is not symmetric around the minimum, so it is not technically parabolic. A temperature spline is our preferred modeling choice, because it allows us to capture the non-linear nature of the relationship between temperature and kWh usage using a piecewise linear approximation rather than quadratic approximation that would force symmetry on either side of the parabola's minimum. Figure 1 provides a stylistic illustration of the superiority of modeling a relationship with a piecewise linear spline relative to a quadratic when the data might generally be described as parabolic, but is, in fact, not symmetric around the minimum.

Figure 1. Regression Spline



In Figure 1, the black line is a piecewise linear spline approximation of the blue points, which represent the observed relationship between the **X** and **Y** variables (temperature and kWh usage). The green line in Figure 1 is a quadratic approximation of the data. It is clear in this illustration that the quadratic function systematically underestimates **Y** along some portions of the range of **X** and overestimates **Y** along other portions of **X**. On the other hand, the piecewise linear spline does not systematically underestimate or overestimate **Y** at any point along **X**. The class specific ordinary least squares models are estimated using two years (2019 and 2020) of daily temperature values and kWh usage and produce parameters that describe the relationship between temperature and kWh usage, holding the day-of-week and month constant. These parameters values can then be used to estimate the kWh usage that would have occurred under normal weather conditions. Effectively, we hold kWh usage associated with each specific month and day-of-week combination level, and replace the observed quantity of kWh used associated with

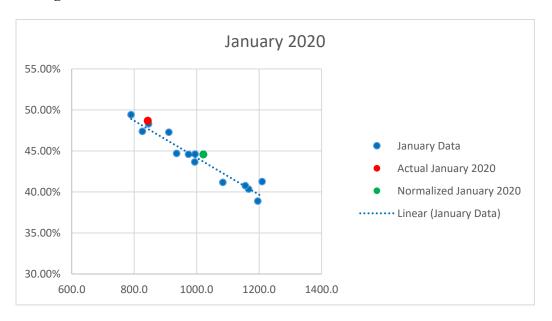
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the test year temperature with the quantity of kWh associated with normal weather. We use 2 a thirty year average (1988 to 2018) to estimate normal daily weather conditions. In 3 addition to the normalizing each individual kWh billing unit using customer class and 4 month specific weather adjustment ratios, the proportion of kWh consumed within block 1 5 to the kWh consumed within block 2 of the residential and small general service classes 6 are normalized for each winter month. Historic data on the proportion of kWh consumed in block 1 to kWh consumed in block 2 are regressed on historic temperature variables by 7 8 month to develop a month specific relationship between the proportion of kWh consumed 9 in each block and temperature. The month specific relationship between the proportion of 10 kWh consumed within each block and the difference between the proposed test year and normal monthly temperature are then used to normalize the proportion observed in each 12 winter month of the proposed test year. The month specific normalized proportion is then 13 used to normalize the actual kWh within each block. Figure 2 illustrates the process of 14 normalizing the proportion of kWh that are consumed within each block. The proportion 15 along the vertical axis in Figure 2 measures the percent of the total kWh consumed in block 16 1 and the horizontal axis measures heating degree days, an aggregate measure of weather 17 in the month. The blue points represent historic data and the red point represents the 18 proposed test year observation. The slope of the dotted blue line represents the estimate of 19 the historic relationship between temperature (heating degree days) and the proportion of 20 kWh consumed within block 1 in January. The green point represents the weather normalized proportion of kWh consumed with block 1 during January of the test year. The 22 horizontal position of the green point is the normal temperature. The process of

- 1 normalizing the proportion of kWh which are consumed within block 1 moves the
- 2 proportion along the line (but not exactly on to it) until it reaches the normal temperature.

Figure 2. Residential and Small General Service Block Normalization



Q. What is the result of the weather adjustment?

A. Generally speaking, the weather adjustment increased billing units in the winter months and decreased billing units in the summer months across all classes. Equivalently, billing units were lower than normal in winter months and higher than normal in summer months during the test year. This result could be generally characterized as the result of a warmer than normal weather throughout the test year; greater than normal cooling loads in the summer and lower than normal heating loads in the winter. The competing seasonal adjustments in billing units, increases in winter and decreases in summer, ultimately resulted in weather normalized revenues which were greater than the revenues associated with observed billing units for each customer class. Despite generally higher summer rates, if the ratio of the winter billing unit increase to summer billing unit decrease is greater than the ratio of average summer to average winter rates, then the

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- 1 increase in revenues would be expected. The weather adjustment results in a total increase
- 2 in revenue of \$9,861,835 as shown in Table 2.

Q. How and why was the days adjustment made?

A. The Company's observed billing units for a given billing month do not necessarily represent kWh and kW that occurred exclusively during the similarly named calendar month. In fact, it is rare that a customer's billing month corresponds precisely to the calendar month with the same name. The lack of correspondence between billing month and calendar month is a result of the staggered reading of groups of meters, i.e. different customers have different billing cycles. Therefore, customers whose billing cycle straddles two calendar months will have billing units assigned to a single billing month by the Company's billing system, but truly have billing units which occurred in two different calendar months. The lack of correspondence between billing months and calendar months can also result in customers whose billing year is more or less than a 365-day calendar year. Therefore, these customers' billing units need to be decreased or increased to reflect a normal 365-day year. The days adjustment corrects both of these deviations by shifting billing units across adjacent months and constraining total billing units to the 365 day calendar year. The total days adjustment is not influenced by the lack of correspondence between months on the interior of the test year, but is rather a function of the deviations that occur during the boundary months of the test year, January and December. However, the seasonal element of the days adjustment is influenced by months on the interior of the test year, specifically, the transition months between the summer and winter rate periods. The days adjustment is calculated for the totality of the test year, and separately for the summer and winter rate periods. The sum of the seasonal days adjustments is equal to the

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1 total days adjustment. The seasonal days adjustments are each a quantity of kWh, and each 2 quantity is allocated to each kWh billing unit in each month based on the ratio of the 3 monthly weather normalized kWh for each specific billing unit (block 1, block 2, on-peak, 4 off-peak, etc.) to the total weather normalized kWh associated with the appropriate season. 5 The seasonal dimension of the days adjustment is relevant in this case, because the 6 Company's billing processes, as reflected in its tariffs, were updated to feature proration of 7 seasonal rates as a result of the settlement of the Company's last electric rate case (File No. 8 ER-2019-0335). The seasonal billing proration policy makes summer rates effective for 9 the calendar days of June 1 through September 30, rather than effective for the summer 10 months per the billing periods and meter read dates defined by the Company's meter 11 reading schedule. This seasonal days adjustment ensures that usage is normalized 12 consistent with this new definition of seasonal rate application, and that the billing units 13 reflect summer usage that is consistent with current billing practices.

Q. What is the result of the days adjustment?

A. In the proposed test year, the seasonal days adjustment decreases winter billing units and increases summer billing units across all customer classes. It does not appear that this pattern is systematic, but rather a function of the realized patterns in the seasonal boundary months during this specific test year. Nonetheless, the result is a decrease in winter revenues and an increase in summer revenues for each class. In all but one class, residential, the decrease in winter revenues is larger in absolute terms than the summer increase, and in aggregate, total revenue decreases as a result of the days adjustment. For the residential class, the opposing revenue effects are almost identical and

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- 1 result in a very small increase in revenue. In total, the days adjustment results in a
- 2 \$3,148,155 decrease in total Company revenue as shown in Table 2.

Q. How and why was the energy efficiency adjustment made?

A. The energy efficiency adjustment was made to annualize the impact of energy efficiency measures implemented throughout the test year. The energy efficiency adjustment is explicitly required by the terms of the Company's Demand Side Investment Mechanism that was approved by the Commission pursuant to the Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act ("MEEIA"), and compensates the Company for the decrease in billing units and associated revenue that result from energy efficiency measures implemented during the test year. The energy efficiency annualization adjustment is calculated using the incremental energy savings of energy efficiency by measure type that was installed during each month of the test year. The incremental energy efficiency measures installed in each month are used along with average kWh savings profiles by measure type to estimate the number of kWh saved during the remaining months of the test year, inclusive of the month of installation. A half month convention is used to estimate the savings in the month of installation. The half month convention is an assumption that all incremental energy efficiency capacity was installed at the half way point between the beginning and end of month and is mathematically equivalent to assuming that the investments were made uniformly across the month. This estimate reflects actual test year energy efficiency savings that are already embedded in the test year kWh billing unit data, because the estimate reflects the savings that occurred and were not metered or billed during the test year. Next, the level of savings that would have been realized during the test year, assuming all measures were installed on January 1 of the test year, is estimated for

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1 each month of the test year. This second estimate reflects the kWh billing units that the 2 Company will not meter or bill going forward as a result of the energy efficiency measures 3 installed in the test year, the annual energy efficiency savings. The positive monthly 4 difference (annual – actual test year savings) between these two estimates is subtracted 5 from the actual billing units so that normalized billing units reflect the total annual 6 reductions in billing units that resulted from the energy efficiency measures installed in the 7 test year. This monthly difference is the primary component of the energy efficiency 8 annualization adjustment, but the adjustment also includes another, relatively minor 9 component, the Demand Response Event Net Energy ("DRENE") component. DRENE 10 kWh result when demand response events are called by the Company, and participating 11 customers reduce kWh consumption in order to provide system benefits. The kWh 12 reductions that result from these events are reflected in billing units, but are not permanent 13 energy savings like those that result from investments in energy efficiency measures. Therefore, DRENE kWh are added back to the test year billing units to reflect normal 14 15 conditions, but are added by reducing the annualized energy efficiency reductions as 16 follows:

Energy Efficiency Adjustment = Annual Energy Efficiency Savings – Test Year
 Energy Efficiency Savings – DRENE kWh

Q. What is the result of the energy efficiency adjustment?

A. The energy efficiency adjustment decreases kWh billing units for every class, because the energy efficiency component unambiguously reduced billing units and is large relative to the DRENE component, which is zero in many months for most customer classes and always zero for the residential class. In total, the energy efficiency

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- 1 adjustment reduced kWh billing units by 228,109,938 kWh. The energy efficiency
- 2 adjustment decreases the Company's revenue by \$17,142,255 as shown in Table 2.

Q. How and why was the solar adjustment made?

4 A. The solar adjustment was made to annualize the impact of behind-the-meter 5 solar installations made throughout the test year by the Company's customers, the majority 6 of which were incentivized by the Company pursuant to Section 393.1670, RSMo. The 7 solar adjustment reflects the decrease in billing units and associated revenue that occur as 8 a result of such customer solar generation installations during the test year. The solar 9 adjustment is calculated using the incremental behind-the-meter capacity installed during 10 each month of the test year. The number of kWh generated by each solar installation, given their installation month and installed capacity, is estimated for each month of the test year. 12 This estimate reflects actual test year behind-the-meter generation already embedded in the 13 test year kWh billing unit data, because the estimate reflects the generation that occurred 14 and was not metered or billed during the test year. Next, the number of kWh that would 15 have been generated during the test year assuming all capacity was installed on January 1 16 of the test year is estimated for each month of the test year. The monthly difference between 17 these two estimates is the preliminary estimate of the solar adjustment. This preliminary 18 estimate of the solar adjustment is then further adjusted to reflect the fact that not all 19 behind-the-meter solar generation will net against retail load, but rather some number of 20 the kWh generated will be sold to the Company at its avoided cost rate under the Electric Power Purchases from Qualifying Net Metering Units tariff (Sheet No. 171). In order to 22 reflect these sales in the solar adjustment, we estimate the probability that any kWh of 23 behind-the-meter solar generation will be sold to the Company at avoided cost. We

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- 1 estimate this probability monthly using the ratio of total behind-the-meter generation sold
- 2 at avoided cost to the total behind-the-meter generation. The preliminary adjustment is
- 3 multiplied by one minus this probability to determine the final solar adjustment.

Q. What is the result of the solar adjustment?

- 5 A. The solar adjustment unambiguously decreases kWh billing units for
- 6 customer classes which have non-zero behind-the-meter solar capacity installed during the
- 7 test year. The total solar adjustment for all classes of customers is 6,773,954 kWh for the
- 8 test year, and decreases the Company's revenue by \$533,743.

Q. How and why was the growth adjustment made?

A. The growth adjustment was made to adjust billing units to the level we expect to observe at the time of the regulatory true-up, September 2021, in order to minimize the change in normalized revenues that will occur upon the true-up. The growth adjustment is made according to the following procedure. First, a class specific customer count forecast is made for September 2021. Second, the difference between the forecasted customer count value and the test year customer count is calculated for each month. Third, the difference, or change, in customer count in each class is multiplied by the class average billing unit values, and added to the actual test year billing unit values. The extraordinary conditions which occurred during the test year resulted in the selection of customer count forecast models that are simpler than traditional econometric forecast models. Traditional forecast models incorporate macro-economic variables whose relationships with utility customer counts are likely to have changed in a structural way and may therefore produce biased results. The forecast method chosen for the each class of customer is shown in Table 4.

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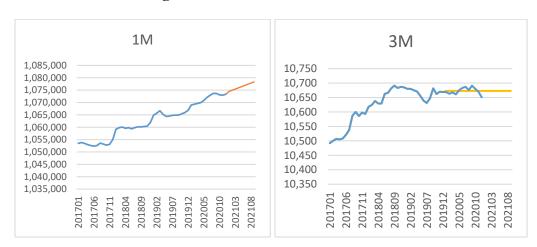
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Table 4. Growth Forecast Methodology by Class

Customer Class	Method	Data
1M	Linear Trend	Monthly 2017 - 2020
2M	Linear Trend	Monthly 2017 - 2020
3M	2020 Average	Monthly 2020
4M	2020 Average	Monthly 2020
11M	No Forecast	NA
Lighting	Trend	Monthly 2020
MSD	No Forecast	NA

- The class specific forecast models were chosen based on graphical inspection of monthly customer count data between 2017 and 2020, and the evaluation of several simple forecasting methods. Graphical representations of residential and large general service
- 5 forecasts are included in Figure 3 for illustration of the choices.

Figure 3. Customer Count Forecasts



Q. What is the result of the growth adjustment?

A. The growth adjustment resulted in reasonable increases in residential and small general service lighting revenues and reasonable decreases in large general service and small primary service revenues. The growth adjustment for lighting results in an increase to normal revenue, is based on fixture rather than customer counts, and implicitly includes the Company's LED conversion program. There is no customer count forecast

- 1 made for the large primary service class, but a growth adjustment is made to account for
- 2 the single customer who left the customer class, which produces a decrease in revenue. The
- 3 supplementary components of the lighting and large primary service growth adjustments
- 4 were discussed in greater detail above in the section entitled Development of Normalized
- 5 Billing Units above. In total, the growth adjustment increases the Company's revenue by
- 6 \$8,834,193.

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Q. How and why was the initial pandemic shock adjustment made?

A. The initial pandemic shock adjustment was made because of the initial economic shock of the pandemic resulted in an extreme decrease in load, i.e. billing units, that was transient relative to the decrease in load that is persistent during the following months of the test year. The initial pandemic shock adjustment serves to adjust billing units in the initial three months of the pandemic, because those initial three months, April, May and June, exhibit a greater decrease than the average and relatively constant decrease in load observed in the following six months. Decreases here are in terms of the average weather adjusted load in the preceding two years. The initial pandemic shock adjustment is calculated using the three years of monthly weather normalized kWh data between 2018 and 2020. The concept and calculation of the initial pandemic shock adjustment is illustrated in Figure 4. The three years of weather normalized data are shown for the large general service class in Figure 4 as the solid light blue line. The monthly average of the two complete years preceding the year of the pandemic is calculated, and is superimposed on the year 2019 and shown as the solid red line in Figure 4. It is clear in this example, and is similarly clear in the case of other classes where the adjustment is made, that the twoyear average fits closely to the year 2019, and therefore, necessarily fits closely to 2018.

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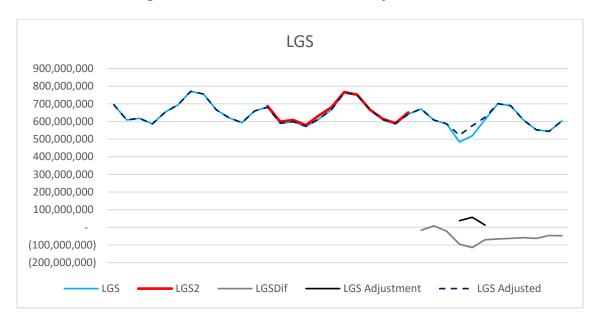
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This similarity between the two years makes it reasonable to assume that the monthly 2020 kWh would have been similar to either year independently and the two-year average, absent the pandemic. Next, we subtract the two-year average from the weather normalized 2020 data by month. The result of this subtraction is shown as the solid gray line in Figure 4. The figure clearly shows that the difference is almost exactly zero in the three earliest month of 2020, prior to the economic shock of the outbreak of the pandemic. In April of 2020, there is a sharp decline in kWh usage when the initial economic shock of the pandemic hits the economy. This shock has an even larger effect on kWh in May and sharply softens in June. The initial transient shock evidenced by the sharp decrease and rebound in the difference between 2020 kWh usage and the preceding two-year average appears complete by July of 2020. The monthly kWh usage remains less the two-year average during the remaining six months of 2020, but the difference is persistent. The initial pandemic shock adjustment does not adjust kWh usage in July through December of 2020, but rather uses that persistent difference between the two-year average and the July through December 2020 average to adjust the initial three months of the pandemic, April through June. This calculation is made by first calculating the average of the monthly difference between July through December of 2020 and the monthly two-year average. This average monthly difference is then subtracted from each of the monthly differences between April through June of 2020 and the monthly two-year average and multiplied by negative one. The result of this calculation is shown as the solid black line in Figure 3. If these values (solid black line) were added to the difference between the monthly 2020 values and the monthly two-year average (solid grey line), the result would be a relatively constant negative difference between April and December of 2020, i.e. the initial sharp

- decrease in the solid gray line would be eliminated. Similarly, but more importantly, the
- 2 adjustment values (solid black line) are added to the actual weather normalized 2020 values
- 3 (solid light blue line) to determine the initial pandemic shock adjusted kWh billing unit
- 4 values, represented by the dotted dark blue line in Figure 3.

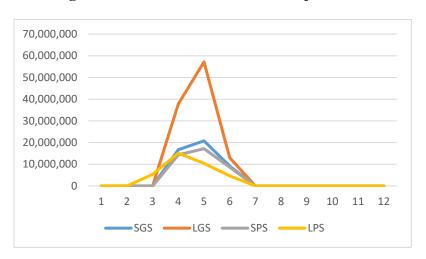
Figure 4: Initial Pandemic Shock Adjustment: LGS kWh



The revenue values for the initial pandemic shock adjustment for all classes of customers for which the adjustment was made are shown in Figure 5. The adjustment was made for the small general service, large general service, and small primary service rate classes according to the method described above. In the case of large primary service, customer specific adjustments were made based on the observation of zero or near zero kWh loads for two customers that persisted between two and three months. A follow-up investigation revealed that these two customers had reported pandemic related closures that were necessary for the maintenance of employee health. In this instance, both customers are manufacturing facilities with historical monthly kWh load profiles which are nearly constant. Therefore, we simply replaced the monthly kWh billing units in those months

- 1 where the facility was shut down due to the pandemic with the monthly average kWh for
- 2 the remaining months.

Figure 5: Initial Pandemic Shock Adjustments



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It is also worth noting that these adjustments fall within the period in which kWh usage will be updated with 2021 normalized billing unit values, and therefore the initial pandemic adjustment primarily reflects our expectation of those 2021 values and minimizes the variation in the revenue that would otherwise occur between the initial direct filing and the update of billing units as part of the true-up.

Q. What is the result of the initial pandemic shock adjustment?

A. The initial pandemic shock adjustment results in an increase to the kWh billing units for small general service, large general service, small primary service, and large primary service. The initial pandemic shock adjustment results in a total increase of 230,494,481 kWh and increases the Company's revenue by \$12,831,403.

B. Non-Billing Unit Revenue Adjustments

Q. How and why was the rate annualization adjustment made?

A. The rate annualization adjustment was made because rates changed as a result of the Company's last electric general rate case, File No. ER-2019-0335, during the

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- 1 test year. The adjustment was made to quantify the revenue impact of this change in rates
- 2 so that test year booked revenues could be adjusted to reflect the level of revenues that
- 3 would have been expected to be recorded had the rates that were implemented on April 1st
- 4 of the test year been in effect from January 1. This adjustment had no impact on billing
- 5 units. The adjustment was made by first calculating base revenues at historic rates, and
- 6 then calculating base revenues as if current rates were in effect for the entire test year. The
- 7 difference between these two revenues is the annualization adjustment.

Q. What is the result of the annualization adjustment?

A. The result of the annualization adjustment is small changes revenues, but those changes vary in direction across customer classes. A small decrease, or zero change, was initially expected for all customer classes given the result of File No. ER-2019-0335 was a small decrease in rates for all customer classes, with the exception of the customer owned lighting class and the Metropolitan Sewer District who both received zero change to their rates. However, the result for a few classes was a small increase in revenue. This counterintuitive result can be explained by the combination of three factors. First, the same percentage decrease was applied to all base energy components of rates, both summer and winter rates, as approved in the stipulation in File No. ER-2019-0335. Second, the tax credit which existed prior to the effective date of current rates was the same in winter and summer months. Given rates are greater in the summer than the winter, the constant tax credit is greater in proportion to the winter rate. Therefore, the removal of the tax credit represents are greater percentage increase in the winter rate relative to the summer rate. Third, the test year only includes winter months with rates that are not current rates. Table 5 illustrates the interaction between the first two factors for the small general service class.

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- 1 Table 5 shows that the impact of the rate change inclusive of the effect of the removal of
- 2 the tax credit is an increase in winter rates. Because there are only winter months in the test
- 3 year with the pre-April 2020 rates, the result of the annualization adjustments for the SGS
- 4 class is a small increase in revenue.

Table 5. Rate Annualization Result Factors: SGS

Billing Unit	Base Rate Pre-4- 2020	Tax Credit	Rate Post- 4-2020	Base Rate Change	Base Rate Percent Change	Tax Inclusive Change	Tax Inclusive Percent Change
Summer kWh	11.2	0.581	10.43	-0.77	-0.069	-0.189	-0.017
Winter Block 1 kWh	8.36	0.581	7.79	-0.57	-0.068	0.011	0.001
Winter Block 2 kWh	4.82	0.581	4.49	-0.33	-0.068	0.251	0.052

- The same is not the case for the residential class. Table 6 shows how the tax credit
- 7 inclusive effect on rates is not an unambiguous increase in winter rates.

Table 6. Rate Annualization Result Factors: Residential

Billing Unit	Base Rate Pre-4- 2020	Tax Credit	Rate Post- 4-2020	Base Rate Change	Base Rate Percent Change	Tax Inclusive Change	Tax Inclusive Percent Change
Summer kWh	12.58	0.621	11.81	-0.77	-0.061	-0.149	-0.012
Winter Block 1 kWh	8.76	0.621	8.04	-0.72	-0.082	-0.099	-0.011
Winter Block 2 kWh	6	0.621	5.38	-0.62	-0.103	0.001	0.000

- 9 In total, the annualization adjustment resulted in a \$2,188,905 decrease in 10 revenues.
- 11 Q. How and why was the economic development incentive adjustment 12 made?
 - A. The economic development incentive adjustment was made to account for base rate revenues that were not collected, because of discounts on base rates that were granted under the Company's economic development incentive provisions (Rider EDI at Sheet Nos. 86-86.5). Rider EDI was approved in compliance with Section 393.1640,

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1 RSMo. Section 393.1640 allows a customer meeting specific economic development 2 criteria to receive a percentage discount on base rates for a period up to five years. The 3 annual discount may vary between thirty and fifty percent of base rates in any given year, 4 but must be forty percent on average over the five-year period. The value of the economic 5 development incentive discount is calculated as part of each applicable customer's monthly 6 billing process, and therefore, the individual monthly value of the discount for each 7 applicable customer can be retrieved from the billing unit database. The values of the 8 individual monthly discounts are aggregated across customers to determine the total value 9 of base revenues that the Company did not collect as a result of the economic development 10 incentive discounts. That total value is the economic development incentive adjustment.

Q. What is the result of the economic development incentive adjustment?

A. The economic development incentive adjustment decreases the Company's revenue by \$179,018. The reduced level of revenues, \$179,018, is allocated to each of the Company's customer classes through the application of a uniform percentage adjustment to the revenue requirement responsibility of all customer classes as required by Section 393.1640 as outlined further by Company witness Michael Harding.

Q. How and why was the community solar adjustment made?

A. The community solar adjustment was made to account for the incremental revenues beyond base rate revenues that were collected by the Company in conjunction with the Community Solar Pilot Program. The Community Solar Pilot Program allows residential and small general service customers to purchase up to 50 percent of their kWh from a solar generation resource built for the Community Solar Pilot Program. Customers who choose to participate and purchase energy from the solar generation resource pay the

Community Solar Pilot Program solar energy rate for each kWh of solar energy. Each kWh of solar energy purchased by customers replaces a kWh that the customer would have purchased at their otherwise applicable base rates. Therefore, the average incremental revenue beyond base rate revenue that the Company collected for each kWh of solar energy purchased is equal to the difference between the community solar rate and the average rate of a replaced kWh. The product of the total kWh sold and the difference between the community solar rate and the average rate of a replaced kWh is the total incremental revenue beyond base rates collected by the Company, and is equal to the community solar adjustment.

Q. What is the result of the community solar adjustment?

A. All 1,302 100 kWh blocks of solar were subscribed for all twelve months of the test year, and therefore, the Company sold 1,562,400 kWh of solar energy during the test year. The solar energy rate is equal to 0.1391 \$/kWh and the average rate of a replaced kWh was 0.0789 \$/kWh. Therefore, the community solar adjustment increases the Company's revenue by \$94,056. The specific value of increased revenues associated with the Community Solar Pilot Program, \$94,056, will be distributed to all classes of customers pro rata, and offset revenues that would otherwise be collected in base rates.

IV. NEW COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM

Q. Please highlight the changes proposed to the Community Solar Pilot Program subscription mechanism for the new, non-pilot Community Solar Program?

A. The proposal to move the Company's Community Solar Pilot program to a permanent offering is discussed in more detail in the testimony of Company witness Annemarie Nauert, and the tariff sheets for the new Community Solar Program are attached

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to my testimony as Schedule NSB-D2. The Community Solar Program proposal includes a change to the subscription mechanism relative to the pilot program. In the pilot program, customers subscribed to purchase solar energy in 100 kWh blocks. Pilot customers then purchase the same fixed number of kWh of solar energy in each month according to the number of blocks chosen at the time of their initial subscription. For example, if a customer subscribed to 5 blocks of solar energy, then the customer would purchase 500 kWh of solar energy each month. In both the pilot and proposed non-pilot program, the solar energy purchased at a solar energy rate replaces a kWh purchased at the otherwise applicable base rate. In order to minimize the possibility that a customer's fixed number of kWh of solar energy exceeds their current month kWh of consumption, the pilot program restricted a customer's enrollment in the program to 50 percent of their average monthly kWh. Minimizing the possibility that a customer's fixed number of kWh of solar energy exceeds their current month kWh of consumption is desirable because of the nature of the kWh replacement mechanism. If customer's fixed number of kWh of solar energy exceeds their current month kWh of consumption, then there is nothing for the excess kWh of solar energy to replace. The possibility that a customer's fixed number of kWh of solar energy exceeds their current month kWh consumption exists because customer's kWh consumption typically varies from month to month. The fact that a customer's kWh consumption varies from month to month, by definition, means that their kWh consumption is higher than average in some months and lower than average in other months. As discussed by Ms. Nauert's direct testimony, more than 50 percent of participating customers expressed the desire to subscribe for more than 50 percent of their kWh consumption. As the percentage of a participating customer's kWh consumption

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- 1 increases, so does the probability that their fixed kWh of solar energy exceeds their kWh
- 2 consumption in any given month. Allowing customers to subscribe a fixed percentage of
- 3 their monthly load, rather than a fixed number of kWh, will allow customers to subscribe
- 4 a greater percentage of their annual kWh consumption, while completely avoiding the
- 5 possibility that a customer could be over-subscribed in any one month.
 - Q. Please describe the proposed Community Solar Energy Rate that will be charged for each kWh of solar energy under the Community Solar Program.

A. At a high level, the basic form of the Community Solar Energy Rate will remain largely unchanged relative to the basic form of the Total Solar Block Charge that existed under the Community Solar Pilot Program. The Community Solar Energy Rate will retain the same two distinct components which are present in the Total Solar Block Charge: the Solar Generation Charge and the Total Facilities Charge, although their names will be changed to the Solar Generation Rate and the Facilities Rate. Conceptually, the two components will reflect the same costs incurred by the Company to serve customers with solar energy resources. First, the Solar Generation Rate will continue to reflect the cost of solar generation resources built by the Company to serve customers under the Community Solar Program, as they did under the pilot, although the finite value of the Solar Generation Rate will reflect the cost of solar generation resources built for the Community Solar Program distinct from any cost associated with pilot solar generation resources. Second, the Facilities Rate will continue to reflect the cost of installed plant necessary to deliver solar energy to Community Solar Program customers. However, the Community Solar Program proposal includes an additional cost category in the Facilities Rate that was not included in the pilot's Total Facilities Charge. The additional cost category is the excess

portion of the fixed production (generation) plant cost. This additional cost is included to reflect that fact that generation capacity beyond the solar generation resource capacity is required to reliably serve Community Solar Program customers. In addition to this one material change, the Community Solar Energy Rate deviates from the Total Solar Block Charge in one cosmetic way. Under the pilot program, solar kWh were only sold in 100 kWh blocks, and therefore the energy rate could have been equivalently quoted in either as the rate per 100 kWh or the rate per 1 kWh. The rate was quoted in terms of the rate per 100 kWh, rather than rate per 1 kWh. The proposed change from 100 kWh blocks to a percentage of a customer's monthly kWh requires the rate to be quoted as the rate per 1 kWh.

Q. Will customers served on time-of-use ("TOU") rate schedules be eligible for service under the new Community Solar Program?

A. Yes, unlike the Community Solar Pilot Program, customers on TOU rate schedules will be eligible to participate in the Community Solar Program. The proposed percentage based subscription mechanism provides a reasonable means to allocate the solar energy subscription to the TOU periods that is also practical to implement. The Community Solar subscription percentage, which represents the percentage of a customer's total kWh usage that will be replaced by solar energy, can also be used to replace the same percentage of kWh in each TOU period. This method is reasonable because it will allow customers on TOU rate schedules to participate in the Community Solar Program and treats those customers in a manner that is equitable relative to other customers who are not on TOU rate schedules. The Community Solar Pilot Program will continue to provide blocks of solar energy, will not have a percentage based subscription that provides a reasonable and

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- 1 practical means to accommodate TOU customers, and therefore, TOU customers will
- 2 continue to be ineligible for the Community Solar Pilot Program.

3 V. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE

Q. Please describe your analysis of the Rider EDI realized rates.

A. On June 1, 2018, Senate Bill 564 was signed into law as Section 393.1640, RSMo. Section 393.1640 required the Company to make discounted rates available to qualifying customers for up to five years. The average of the discount over five years must be 40 percent under the law. The economic development incentive adjustment discussed above reflects that fact that qualified customers applied for and were granted discounted rates in compliance with Section 393.1640. The law also requires the realized rate paid by customers receiving the discount to be greater than the variable cost of providing service to customers receiving the discount in aggregate, and therefore also make a contribution to fixed cost. There were four customers who were granted discounted rates under the Company's Economic Development Incentive (Rider EDI, Sheet Nos. 86-86.5) during the proposed test year January through December 2020. The first qualified customer began receiving Rider EDI discounts in February 2020, two more began in May of 2020, and the fourth began receiving discounts in August of 2020. Section 393.1640 and therefore Rider EDI requires qualifying customers to receive an average discount on base rates of 40 percent over the five-year term of the discount, but allows customers to choose discounts of 30, 40, or 50 percent in any given year of the five-year term. In order to determine if the realized rates are greater than the Company's variable cost to serve the customers in aggregate, and therefore contribute to fixed cost, we compute the realized rate for across all customers assuming a 40 percent discount. We use all the available billing data in the

- 1 test year to estimate the realized rate we expect to collect across all Rider EDI customers
- 2 for the life of the contract. The realized rate paid by Rider EDI customers is \$0.0395/kWh,
- and the variable cost to serve these same customers is \$0.0345/kWh. Therefore, the realized
- 4 rate paid by Rider EDI customers is greater than the variable cost to serve those customers,
- 5 and these customers make a positive contribution to fixed cost. See confidential Schedule
- 6 NSB-D3 for more on the analysis.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS TARIFF UPDATES

- **Q.** Were Rider EEIC Net Margin Revenue values updated to reflect rates
- 9 proposed in the Company's filing?
- 10 A. Yes, the Rider EEIC Net Margin Revenue values were updated to reflect
- 11 the rates proposed in the Company's filing.
- Q. Have the Total Facilities Charges for the Community Solar Pilot
- 13 Program been updated in the Company's direct filing?
- 14 A. An exemplary Community Solar Pilot Program rate sheet with updated
- 15 Total Facilities Charges is attached to my testimony as Schedule NSB-D4. The filing of an
- updated Community Solar Pilot Program rate sheet with updated Total Facilities Charge in
- 17 the direct filing of this case is complicated by the recent Commission order granting a
- 18 certificate of convenience and necessity for the Company to construct a second solar
- 19 generation resource in File No. EA-2020-0371. The Company expects the second solar
- 20 generation resource to be constructed and go into service prior to the resolution of this case.
- In the case that the new generation resource lowers the aggregate generation cost of solar
- 22 resources under the Community Solar Pilot Program, the Company is allowed to decrease
- 23 the Community Solar Pilot Program's Solar Generation Charge. An update to the Total

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- 1 Facilities Charge cannot be filed with the other tariff sheet modifications that are initiating
- 2 this case because, as is typical with rate case filings, we would expect all tariff sheets to be
- 3 suspended, which would prevent the updating of the Solar Generation Charge. As such, an
- 4 exemplary Community Solar Pilot Program rate sheet is attached to my testimony. When
- 5 this case is resolved, the Company will file the Community Solar Pilot Program's rate sheet
- 6 with updated Total Facilities Charge consistent with the Commission's final order in this
- 7 case as part of the compliance tariffs that will be filed to implement the Commission's
- 8 order.
- 9 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 10 A. Yes, it does.

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	Totals	Summer	Winter
Customer Count	12,940,006	4,313,335	8,626,671
Total kWh	13,311,574,275	4,815,950,092	8,495,624,182
Total Block 1 kWh	9,693,180,687	4,815,950,092	4,877,230,594
Total Block 2 kWh	3,618,393,588	0	3,618,393,588

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	Totals	Summer	Winter
Customer Count	1,080	360	720
Total kWh	1,559,705	531,791	1,027,915
Total Block 1 kWh	1,013,283	531,791	481,492
Total Block 2 kWh	546,423	0	546,423
Off Peak kWh	453,117	453,117	0
On Peak kWh	78,674	78,674	0

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	Totals	Summer	Winter
Customer Count	48	16	32
Total kWh	56,781	19,511	37,270
Total Block 1 kWh	49,305	19,511	29,794
Total Block 2 kWh	7,476	0	7,476
Off Peak kWh	16,514	9,137	7,377
On Peak kWh	20,476	10,374	10,102

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	Totals	Summer	Winter
Customer Count	156	52	104
Total kWh	122,005	47,575	74,430
Total Block 1 kWh	109,756	47,575	62,180
Total Block 2 kWh	12,249	0	12,249
Off Peak kWh	26,926	17,619	9,307
Mid Peak kWh	39,653	27,640	12,013
On Peak kWh	5,035	2,317	2,718

	2M Total	2M Total	2M Total
	Total	Summer	Winter
Total Customer Count	1,829,806	609,935	1,219,870
1 Phase Customer Count	1,135,088	378,602	756,486
3 Phase Customer Count	464,592	154,691	309,901
Unmetered Customer Count	83,062	27,694	55,368
No Charge Customer Count	131,545	43,825	87,720
1 Phase TOU Customer Count	13,831	4,565	9,266
3 Phase TOU Customer Count	1,687	557	1,130
Total kWh	3,080,833,355	1,084,491,901	1,996,341,454
Base kWh	2,508,241,646	1,045,353,987	1,462,887,658
Seasonal kWh	458,902,803	0	458,902,803
Off Peak kWh	71,608,179	24,478,506	47,129,672
On Peak kWh	39,729,980	13,882,204	25,847,775
Cell kWh	2,350,747	777,203	1,573,544

	3M Total	3M Total	3M Total
	Totals	Summer	Winter
Customer Count	128,074	42,691	85,383
TOU Customer Count	501	174	327
Total kWh	7,183,723,899	2,579,583,472	4,604,140,427
Base kWh	4,195,249,891	0	4,195,249,891
Seasonal kWh	408,429,624	0	408,429,624
Total Block 1 kWh	2,671,364,037	1,016,971,346	1,654,392,691
Total Block 2 kWh	2,860,206,650	1,089,830,895	1,770,375,754
Total Block 3 kWh	1,243,262,676	472,781,230	770,481,446
Off Peak kWh	28,988,275	10,806,297	18,181,978
On Peak kWh	14,450,572	5,617,128	8,833,444
Demand kW	22,407,215	7,727,878	14,679,337

	Total 4M	Total 4M	Total 4M
	Totals	Summer	Winter
Customer Count	7,993	2,664	5,329
TOU Customer Count	213	72	141
Total kWh	3,618,415,921	1,303,883,034	2,314,532,887
Base kWh	2,115,506,303	0	2,115,506,303
Seasonal kWh	198,851,110	0	198,851,110
Total Block 1 kWh	1,082,855,754	412,137,993	670,717,761
Total Block 2 kWh	1,313,022,415	499,538,596	813,483,819
Total Block 3 kWh	1,023,507,219	392,202,496	631,304,723
Off Peak kWh	74,427,897	28,721,453	45,706,444
On Peak kWh	35,617,191	12,988,331	22,628,860
Demand kW	7,916,192	2,785,023	5,131,169
Rider B 34.5/69 kV	847,321	283,436	563,885
Rider B 138 kV	6,431	2,216	4,216
Reactive kVar	1,310,772	504,126	806,646

	11M	11M	11M
	Totals	Summer	Winter
CustomerCount	768	256	512
TOU Customer Count	60	20	40
Total kWh	3,554,828,072	1,300,864,051	2,253,964,021
Off Peak kWh	225,032,664	78,864,615	146,168,049
On Peak kWh	113,520,652	40,059,179	73,461,474
Demand kW	6,533,318	2,312,930	4,220,388
Reactive kVar	340,282	125,911	214,371
Rider B 34.5/69 kV	1,759,456	617,527	1,141,929
Rider B 138 kV	630,519	216,940	413,579

Note: A small difference exists between the sum of seasonal, block 1, block 2, block 3 kWh and total kWh for the LGS (3M) and SPS (4M) classes. The difference is explained almost entirely by small differences between the sum and total in the month of October. 100 and 98 percent of the difference for LGS and SPS classes respectively is epxlained by a difference in October with the remained explained by a difference in September.

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RIDER CSP COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Community Solar Program ("Program") is to offer eligible Customers the opportunity to voluntarily subscribe to a community solar energy product associated with new solar generation resources ("Resource") to be developed for the Program.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Under the Program, eligible Customers can elect to receive community solar energy service ("CS Service") which replaces a fixed percentage of kilowatt-hours (kWh) of electricity the customer would receive under their otherwise applicable service classification with kWh of solar energy.

AVAILABILITY

CS Service is only available to full service electric customers currently served by the Company under either Company Service Classification Residential Service 1(M) or Small General Service 2(M). Service hereunder is provided through one meter to one end-use customer and may not be redistributed or resold. Participants will be enrolled on a first-enrolled, first-served basis. Participants can enroll or cancel subject to the Program Provisions and Special Terms. Customers will be deemed ineligible for the Program if they have received a disconnection notice within twelve (12) months preceding their application.

DEFINITIONS

 $\underline{\text{Community Solar Energy Rate}}$ - The sum of the Facilities Rate and Solar Generation Rate.

<u>Facilities Rate</u> - A \$/kWh rate applicable to a subscriber's Solar Energy Subscription for electrical facilities necessary to delivery solar energy.

Program Resource - A solar generation resource developed as a result of the Program.

 $\frac{\text{Resource Term}}{\text{Resource is placed into service.}}$ - The resource term shall be 25 years from the date the Program

<u>Solar Energy Subscription</u> - The number of kWh of solar energy purchased by a CS Service subscriber in a specific billing month. The number of kWh is equal to the subscriber's Subscription Percentage multiplied by the customer's current billing month energy usage.

<u>Solar Availability Bank</u> - The total amount of kWh available for Solar Energy Subscription based on the expected average annual production over the life of Program Resources minus expected Solar Energy Subscriptions covered by existing subscriptions.

<u>Solar Generation Rate</u> - A \$/kWh rate applicable to a subscriber's Solar Energy Subscription for the production of solar energy.

<u>Subscription Percentage (1-100%)</u> - An eligible customer may subscribe to replace a percentage of each billing month's energy usage with Solar Energy in single percentage increments up to 100%.

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MONTHLY BILL

All terms and conditions of the customer's applicable service classification shall apply to this Program with the following exception:

The Solar Energy Subscription supplied under this Program, pursuant to the customer's Subscription Percentage, will replace an equal amount of kWh which the customer would be billed under the Energy Charge of their otherwise applicable service classification.

For customers on time-of-use rates, the Subscription Percentage will be applied equally to current billing month energy usage in each time-of-use period, such that the sum of solar energy across time-of-use periods is equal to the customer's Solar Energy Subscription.

The Solar Energy Subscription will be billed at the sum of the Facilities Rate and the Solar Generation Rate, the Community Solar Energy Rate. All other usage-based charges in the customer's service classification will be billed at the actual metered electricity usage.

TERM OF ENROLLMENT

Once a Program Resource has been placed in service under this Program, enrolled customers that receive CS Service may continue said service for the Resource Term unless they cancel service under the Program, and new customers will be allowed to receive service under the Program to the extent there exists a Solar Availability Bank.

If additional Program Resources are added to the Program, enrolled customers may continue to receive CS Service beyond the length of the Resource Term to the extent there exists a Solar Availability Bank beyond the Resource Term.

This tariff shall immediately become void, and the Company shall have no further obligations or liabilities hereunder, if any term or terms of this Program are determined to be discriminatory or otherwise unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction.

PROGRAM PROVISIONS AND SPECIAL TERMS

- 1. All rights to the solar renewable energy certificates (SRECs) associated with the generation output of the Resource(s) will be owned by the Company and will be retired on behalf of participants within the Commission-approved tracking system. The Company reserves the right to purchase RECs outside the program for the purpose of balancing subscriptions and generation.
- 2. Enrollment; Participation Fee; Commitment:
 - a. The Company may construct new Resources if there are sufficient subscriptions to support the Resources and the Commission approves a Certificate or Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN). Upon grant of a CCN, construction of a new Resource shall not begin until at least 50 percent of the Resource's solar energy is subscribed or able to be filled through the waitlist.

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RIDER CSP COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM (Cont'd.)

PROGRAM PROVISIONS AND SPECIAL TERMS (Cont'd.)

- 2. Enrollment; Participation Fee; Commitment: (Cont'd.)
 - b. Customers enrolling in the Program will be assigned until such time as all of the solar energy for existing Resources is subscribed. If all solar energy is subscribed, a customer may still be placed on a waitlist. Upon enrollment, all customers shall pay a Program participation fee of \$25. Collected Program participation fees will be treated by the Company as a Contribution in Aid of Construction upon construction of the Resource.
 - c. On and after the date the Company commits to construct a Resource, which commitment shall occur upon the Company posting its commitment on its website and sending an e-mail, if available, or by letter, announcing its commitment to the enrollees assigned to the solar energy of a Resource, said enrollees will be obligated to participate in the Program and pay the charges thereunder for a term of two years after the Resource's in-service date, unless the customer no longer takes service from the Company. Until said committal date, an enrollee may withdraw from the Program via the Company's website or by calling the Company's toll-free customer service line and shall receive a refund of the enrollee's Program participation fee. However, a customer that is a participant in the Program will be permitted to withdraw from the Program before the two-year commitment period has been completed only if a customer on the waitlist for which there is not a solar energy available can take the withdrawing participant's place, and the withdrawing participant will not be refunded any fees.
 - d. Customers may enroll in the Program via the Company's website or by calling the Company's toll-free customer service line after the Company has committed to build a Resource, and throughout the Program's operation, during any period when there exists a Solar Availability Bank, without paying a Program participation fee. The Company will maintain a waiting list of customers interested in enrolling in the Program during periods when there is no Solar Availability Bank, and will notify customers on the waiting list via e-mail or letter when the Bank becomes available.
- 3. The Solar Generation Rate associated with Solar Energy Subscriptions will be capped for the Resource Term at the initially offered level, but may decrease if incremental capacity additions to or retirements from the Resources occur and result in a lower aggregate levelized cost of all Resources placed in service under this Program. The Total Facilities Rate will be subject to adjustment in each general rate case.
- 4. Where an additional Resource is added to the Program, the levelized cost of the new Resource will be averaged with the remaining levelized cost of existing Resource to determine the new levelized cost that determines the Solar Generation Charge and contributes to the total cost of a Solar Energy Subscription. This change would apply to all subscribers under the Program.
- 5. Payments for Solar Energy Subscriptions will be due no later than the due date shown on the bill and will be incorporated into the customer's standard billing cycle.

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RIDER CSP COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM (Cont'd.)

PROGRAM PROVISIONS AND SPECIAL TERMS (Cont'd.)

- 6. Any customer being served or having been served on this Program waives all rights to any billing adjustments arising from a claim that the customer's service would be at a lower cost had the customer not participated in the Program for any period of time.
- 7. If a customer moves to another location within the Company's Missouri service territory the customer's subscription will also transfer.
- 8. Subscription cancelations will result in available Solar Energy Subscription going back into the Solar Availability Bank.
- 9. After the expiration of any two-year commitment as provided for in paragraph 2.c, customers that subscribe will continue as Program participants until they cancel their subscription or the Program is terminated, whichever occurs first. For enrollments occurring 20 or more days before a customer's next billing cycle, enrollment fees or refunds of participation fees, if otherwise allowed hereunder, shall be charged or credited, as appropriate, via the customer's bill in that next billing cycle; otherwise, in the second billing cycle after enrollment or withdrawal.
- 10. Any customer who terminates Program participation must wait three (3) months after the first billing cycle without a subscription to re-enroll in the Program.
- 11. Customers with Net Metering agreements are ineligible for the Program.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

In addition to the above specific rules and regulations, all of Company's General Rules and Regulations shall apply to service supplied under this Program.

SOLAR ENERGY RATES

Subject to the Program Provisions and Special Terms:

Residential Ser	rvice 1(M)
Solar Generation Rate	\$ 0.XXXX
Facilities Rate	\$ 0.066
Community Solar Energy Rate	\$ 0.XXXX

Small General Se	ervice 2(M)
Solar Generation Rate	\$ 0.XXXX
Facilities Rate	\$ 0.053
Community Solar Energy Rate	\$ 0.XXXX

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COMMUNITY SOLAR PILOT PROGRAM

<u>PURP</u>OSE

The purpose of the Community Solar Pilot Program (Program) is to examine the interest of customers in an opportunity to subscribe to a designated solar resource (Resource) within the Company's Missouri service territory.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Program participants will subscribe to and enroll in the Program and by doing so, agree to pay for Solar Blocks of 100 kilowatt-hour (kWh) each that will replace an equivalent kWh amount of electricity they receive from their standard class of service.

AVAILABILITY

Electric service under this Program is only available to full service electric customers currently served by the Company. Customers can replace up to 50% of their average annual energy usage. Customers must qualify for service under either Company Service Classification Residential Service 1(M) or Small General Service 2(M). Customers will be deemed ineligible for the Program if they have received a disconnection notice within twelve (12) months preceding their application.

Participants will be enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants can enroll or cancel subject to the Program Provisions and Special Terms. Service hereunder is provided through one meter to one end-use customer and may not be redistributed or resold.

DEFINITIONS

Solar Block - $100 \, \text{kWh}$ of solar energy per billing month. The number of blocks available will be determined by the total estimated average annual production over the life of the Resource.

- * Solar Availability Bank The number of Solar Blocks available for subscription in any given month, for a specific Resource, based on the estimated average annual production over the life of the Resource minus Solar Blocks covered by existing subscriptions.
- * Term of Enrollment The enrollment term shall expire October 13, 2021.
- * Resource Term The resource term shall be 25 years from the date of the Resource being placed into service.

** MONTHLY BILL

All terms and conditions of the customer's applicable standard service classification tariff shall apply to this Program with the following exception:

The Solar Blocks supplied under this Program, pursuant to the customer's subscribed amount, will replace an equal amount of kWh the customer would otherwise be billed under their Energy Charge and Energy Efficiency Program Charge.

All other usage-based charges in the customer's applicable tariff schedule will be billed at the actual metered electricity usage.

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COMMUNITY SOLAR PILOT PROGRAM (Cont'd.)

* TERM OF ENROLLMENT

Once a Resource has been placed in service under this Program, enrolled customers that also receive service under this tariff may continue said service for the Resource Term unless they cancel service under the program, and new customers will be allowed to receive service under the Program to the extent there exists a Solar Availability Bank for a given Resource.

If more than one Resource exists under the Program, the remaining length of the Resource Term will depend on the Resource that is assigned to an individual participant. In the event there are available Solar Blocks in the Solar Availability Bank for more than one Resource, the Resource with the shorter remaining Resource Term will be assigned first.

This tariff shall immediately become void, and the Company shall have no further obligations or liabilities hereunder, if any term or terms of this Program are determined to be discriminatory or otherwise unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction.

PROGRAM PROVISIONS AND SPECIAL TERMS

- Qualifying customers are eligible to subscribe to at least one (1) Solar Block, regardless of their annual usage, as long as they meet all other provisions.
- 2. In any given billing month, an unused Solar Block or portion of a Solar Block subscribed by customer will not be carried over into any subsequent billing month.
- * 3. All rights to the solar renewable energy certificates (SREC) associated with the generation output of the Resource(s) will be owned by the Company and will be retired on behalf of participants within the Commission-approved tracking system.
 - 4. Enrollment; Participation Fee; Commitment:
 - a. The Company may construct new Resources if there are sufficient subscriptions to support the Resources and the Commission approves a Certificate or Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN). Upon grant of a CCN, construction of a new Resource shall not begin until at least 90 percent of the Resource's solar blocks are subscribed or able to be filled through the waitlist.
- b. Customers enrolling in the Program will be assigned to the Resources until such time as all of the Solar Blocks for existing Resources are subscribed. If all Solar Blocks are subscribed, a customer may still be placed on a waitlist for a new Resource and, upon enrollment, such customers shall pay a Program participation fee of \$25 per block. Collected Program participation fees will be treated by the Company as a Contribution in Aid of Construction upon construction of the Resource.

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- c. On and after the date the Company commits to construct a Resource, which commitment shall occur upon the Company posting its commitment on its website and sending an e-mail, if available, or by letter, announcing its commitment to the enrollees assigned to a Resource, said enrollees will be obligated to participate in the Program and pay the charges thereunder for a term of two years after the Resource's in-service date, unless the customer no longer takes service from the Company. Until said committal date, an enrollee may withdraw from the Program via the Company's website or by calling the Company's toll-free customer service line and shall receive a refund of the enrollee's Program participation fee. However, a customer that is a participant in the Program will be permitted to withdraw from the Program before the two-year commitment period has been completed only if a customer on the waitlist for which there is not a Resource available can take the withdrawing participant's place for the Resource, and the withdrawing participant will not be refunded any fees.
- d. Any enrollee from whom a Program participation fee has been collected who has not received service from the Resource by the earlier of (i) the date the Company commits to the Resource, or (ii) October 13, 2021, will be refunded the Program participation fee.
 - e. Customers may enroll in the Program via the Company's website or by calling the Company's toll-free customer service line after the Company has committed to build the Resource, and throughout the Program's operation, during any period when there exists a Solar Availability Bank, without paying a Program participation fee. The Company will maintain a waiting list of customers interested in enrolling in the Program during periods when there is no Solar Availability Bank, and will notify customers on the waiting list via e-mail or letter when the Bank becomes available.
- ** f. The Company will continue to share the risk for undersubscribed Resources as discussed in paragraph 15 of the Amended Unanimous Stipulation And Agreement filed in EA-2016-0207.
- * 5. The Solar Generation Charge associated with the Solar Block will be capped for Resource Term at the initially offered level, but may decrease if incremental capacity additions to or retirements from the Resources occur and result in a lower aggregate functionalized generation cost of all Resources placed in service under this Program. The Total Facilities Charge will be subject to adjustment in each general rate case during the applicable Resource Term.
- *** 6. Where an additional Resource is added to the Program, the levelized cost of the new Resource will be averaged with the remaining levelized cost of existing Resource to determine the new fixed levelized cost that determines the Solar Generation Charge and contributes to the total cost of the Solar Block. This change would apply to all subscribers under the Program.
- *** 7. Payments for Solar Blocks will be due no later than the due date shown on the bill and will be incorporated into the customer's standard billing cycle.

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COMMUNITY SOLAR PILOT PROGRAM (Cont'd.)

PROGRAM PROVISIONS AND SPECIAL TERMS (Cont'd.)

- 8. Any customer being served or having been served on this Program waives all rights to any billing adjustments arising from a claim that the customer's service would be at a lower cost had the customer not participated in the Program for any period of time.
- 9. If a customer moves to another location within the Company's Missouri service territory the customer's subscription will also transfer.
- 10. Subscription cancelations will result in available Solar Blocks going back into the Solar Availability Bank. Any surplus of kWh from Solar Blocks will be forfeited back into the Solar Availability Bank without any monetary reimbursement to subscriber.
- 11. After the expiration of any two-year commitment as provided for in paragraph 4.B, customers that subscribe will continue as Program participants until they cancel their subscription or the Program is terminated, whichever occurs first. For enrollments occurring 20 or more days before a customer's next billing cycle, enrollment fees or refunds of participation fees, if otherwise allowed hereunder, shall be charged or credited, as appropriate, via the customer's bill in that next billing cycle; otherwise, in the second billing cycle after enrollment or withdrawal.
- 12. Any customer who terminates Program participation must wait three (3) months after the first billing cycle without a subscription to re-enroll in the Program.
- * 13. Customers with Net Metering agreements and customers served on Time-of-Use Service rate schedules other than the Residential Daytime/Overnight rate schedule are ineligible for the Program.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

In addition to the above specific rules and regulations, all of Company's General Rules and Regulations shall apply to service supplied under this Program.

** SOLAR BLOCK MONTHLY CHARGES

Subject to the Program Provisions and Special Terms set forth below:

Solar Block Charges for a 100 kWh Block

Service Classification	$\frac{\underline{\mathtt{Residential}}}{\underline{\underline{\mathtt{Service}}}}$	Small General Service 2(M)	
Solar Generation Charge	\$ 10.78	\$ 10.78	
*Total Facilities Charge	\$ 3.64	\$ 2.81	
*Total Solar Block Charge	\$ 14.42	\$ 13.59	

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AFFIDAVIT OF NICHOLAS BOWDEN, PhD					

STATE OF MISSOURI) so CITY OF ST. LOUIS)

Nicholas Bowden, PhD, being first duly sworn on his oath, states:

My name is Nicholas Bowden, PhD and on his oath declare that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he has prepared the foregoing *Direct Testimony*; and further, under the penalty of perjury, that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/S/ Nicholas Bowden, Phd Nicholas Bowden, PhD

Sworn to me this 30th day of March, 2021.