



The Empire District Electric Company

A Liberty Utilities Company

Case No. ER-2019-0374

OPC Data Request – 1039

Data Request Received: 04/03/20

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Respondent: Mark Timpe

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REQUEST:

Was Empire charged any costs related to credit rating agency work for the period of the test year through the end of the true-up period? If so, please identify the total costs for each credit rating agency, the amount charged to the Company, and describe what work was done on the Company's behalf.

RESPONSE:

This response is provided subject to and without waiving the previously served objections.

Yes. Empire incurred charges performed by the following credit rating agencies: S&P - \$432,611; Moody's - \$401,000; Fitch - \$166,656; and DBRS - \$47,171. The invoices were for annual credit rating services and activity fees for commercial paper programs.