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I. INTRODUCTION

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Q. Please state your name and business address.

A: My name is James (JP) Meitner. My business address is 818 S. Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas.

Q: By whom and in what capacity are you employed?

A: I am employed by Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and serve as Director Market Operations for Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a as Evergy Missouri Metro (“EMM”), Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (“EMW”), Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Kansas Metro (“EKM”), and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc., collectively d/b/a as Evergy Kansas Central (“EKC”) the operating utilities of Evergy, Inc.

Q: On whose behalf are you testifying?

A: I am testifying on behalf of EMW.

Q: What are your responsibilities as the Director Market Operations?

A: I oversee the day-to-day operations of the Evergy jurisdictions in the Southwest Power Pool’s (“SPP”) Integrated Marketplace. My team is responsible for daily load and wind forecasts, demand bids, generation offers, fuel and transportation procurement, and real time communication between generating plants and SPP.

1 **Q: Please describe your education, experience and employment history.**

2 A: I graduated from Washburn University in 2004 with a Bachelor of Business Administration
3 in Finance and Economics. I graduated from Baker University in 2009 with a Master of
4 Business Administration. I began my utility career with Westar Energy, Inc. in 2004. I have
5 held several positions at Westar Energy, Inc. and Evergy, Inc., in power marketing (Evergy
6 Energy Partners) including Trading, Transmission Congestion Rights Manager, and
7 Manager of Real-Time Operations.

8 **Q: Have you previously testified in a proceeding at the Missouri Public Service
9 Commission (“MPSC” or “Commission”) or before any other utility regulatory
10 agency?**

11 A: Yes.

12 **Q: What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony?**

13 A: The purpose of my rebuttal testimony is twofold. First, I will respond to the direct
14 testimony of Justin Tevie related to the Special Incremental Load (“SIL”) agreement
15 between EMW and Nucor Steel Sedalia, LLC (“Nucor”). Also, I will respond to the direct
16 testimony of Office of Public Counsel (“OPC”) witness John S. Riley related to hedging.

17 **II. NUCOR SPECIAL INCREMENTAL LOAD**

18 **Q: Do you agree with witness Tevie’s understanding of the SIL agreement between
19 EMW and Nucor, and the stipulations and agreement (“2019 Agreement”)?**

20 A: Yes, the 2019 Agreement stipulates that the revenues generated should be greater than or
21 equal to the cost of serving Nucor.

1 **Q: Do you agree with Staff’s analysis that produces a revenue shortfall?**

2 A: Absolutely not. The revenue shortfall estimate of \$4,909,000 erroneously includes price
3 assumptions for the wind Power Purchase Agreement (“PPA”) that are not an accurate
4 reflection of the settlement of revenues of that PPA. Additionally, the associated accredited
5 capacity that accompanies the wind PPA is sufficient to meet the capacity requirement of
6 Nucor and is included in the cost of the PPA, so no incremental charges for Net Capacity
7 Costs are required.

8 **Q: Can you explain how the wind PPA works?**

9 A: Yes. Witness Tevie states, “The wind PPA can generate positive net revenues when the
10 generation of wind power is greater than the needs of Nucor and the location marginal price
11 of energy exceeds the contracted purchase price of the PPA.” While this is true, the
12 assumptions witness Tevie makes about the settlement of the wind PPA are inaccurate.

13 ** [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]
16 [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED] ** Discussion have been had with Staff
19 and corrections are anticipated. Please see further discussion on this issue in the rebuttal
20 testimony of Company witness Linda Nunn.

21 **Q: How does the accredited capacity requirement in SPP work?**

22 A: Once a year, load serving entities like EMW are required by SPP to populate a resource
23 adequacy workbook for the upcoming summer season. Included in this workbook are load

1 forecasts for that summer season and accredited capacity amounts of each generator, PPA,
2 import, etc. The load serving entity must claim enough accredited capacity to meet the
3 forecasted load plus a Planning Reserve Margin (“PRM”) of 15% to be considered capacity
4 sufficient. SPP approves these workbooks prior to June 1, which satisfies the accredited
5 capacity requirement. Said another way, once this process is complete, the load serving
6 entity has met its capacity requirement for the upcoming season.

7 **Q: Why is this important to understand in the case of the Nucor load?**

8 A: Witness Tevie points out that Nucor’s demand exceeded the forecasted amount of ****[REDACTED]****
9 MW 102 times, and contends that EMW may have to acquire more capacity to serve
10 Nucor’s load. This is not true. As stated above, once SPP has approved a resource
11 adequacy workbook for the planning year, no new capacity is required if actual loads
12 exceed forecasted loads. Witness Tevie is confusing energy requirements and capacity
13 requirements. If Nucor’s actual energy needs exceed forecasted energy needs at any time,
14 those impacts of day-ahead and RT pricing are captured in the Nucor tracking sheet and
15 allocated in the Exhibit 1 calculation.

16 **Q: Did the wind PPA accredited capacity in the 2023 SPP resource adequacy workbook**
17 **exceed the Nucor forecasted peak load plus the 15% planning reserve margin?**

18 A: Yes, it did. The forecasted peak load of Nucor used in the resource adequacy process was
19 ****[REDACTED]**** MW, which equates to a ****[REDACTED]**** MW capacity requirement when adding the
20 15% PRM (the Regional State Committee increased the summer PRM to 15% from 12%
21 in July of 2022). The original NUCOR tracking report for Q4 2023, which was used by
22 Witness Tevie to develop his Exhibit 1, included a CB3 accredited capacity calculation
23 based on SPP’s Effective Load Carrying Capability (“ELCC”) methodology. However, on

1 March 2, 2023, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) rejected SPP’s
2 ELCC methodology for accrediting wind capacity and therefore reverted back to the
3 previous method for calculating wind capacity. The wind PPA’s accredited capacity
4 calculation that was included in the 2023 resource adequacy workbook exceeded the
5 **** [REDACTED] **** MW requirement caused by Nucor load, and therefore satisfied the capacity
6 requirement regardless of actual loads being higher or lower than that amount. Because of
7 the relatively late change caused by FERC’s decision, the workbook is not updated as it
8 should have been to reflect the reverting back to the original methodology for calculating
9 accredited capacity for wind resources in the SPP.

10 **Q: How does removing the Net Capacity Costs impact Exhibit 1?**

11 A: Taking the report as originally made, replacing actual purchased power with a normalized
12 ongoing view and removing the additional capacity costs, the report shows that Nucor’s
13 revenues exceed their costs.

14 **III. HEDGING**

15 **Q: What is your understanding of witness Riley’s definition of “cross-hedging”?**

16 A: As I understand it, witness Riley defines cross-hedging as using financial natural gas
17 contracts to hedge physical purchased power costs.

18 **Q: Does Evergy define a hedge at the time of transaction as a “cross-hedge”? Why or
19 why not?**

20 A: No. It is not possible to define a hedge as a “cross-hedge” before settlement of the
21 transaction. If EMW ends up purchasing more physical natural gas for the same period as
22 the hedge, the hedge is for fuel costs. If EMW ends up purchasing less physical natural
23 gas for the same period as the hedge, the hedge is for purchased power costs. Hedging for

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1 natural gas is quite a bit more difficult than other fuel types or power from a generation
2 perspective. Coal is stored on site and, therefore, can absorb short-term change in demands
3 by growing or shrinking the coal pile. Additionally, a wind PPA is a fixed price paid
4 anytime a MWh is produced. Conversely, buying a block of physical natural gas forward
5 to fix the price of natural gas generation could require expensive natural gas storage, cash
6 outs with the pipelines for imbalances, or self-committing of the generation, which could
7 cause generation, at times, that is out of merit in the SPP market.

8 **Q: Is witness Riley assuming that all financial natural gas hedges are “cross-hedges”?**

9 A: It appears so. However, of the 12 months EMW had financial natural gas hedges in place
10 between implementation of the hedging policy in May 2022 and June 2024, 11 of those
11 months EMW purchased more physical natural gas volume than the volume of financial
12 natural gas hedges. In total, EMW purchased 6.4 million dekatherms of natural gas more
13 than was hedged using a financial natural gas product.

14 **Q: Do you agree with witness Riley’s reasoning on why “cross-hedging” should be
15 excluded from rates?**

16 A: No. In fact, his answer leads me to believe that he is trying to minimize the concept of
17 hedging and is simply focusing on whether hedging “makes” money or “loses money.” He
18 states, “[t]he formation of the [SPP] day-ahead energy market has eliminated any
19 justification for cross-hedging power purchases.” This doesn’t make any sense. Actually,
20 the formation of the SPP day-ahead energy market changes nothing about the price
21 volatility of fuel and its impact on the corresponding price of power. If anything, the SPP
22 Integrated Marketplace increases the need to utilize financial natural gas hedges because
23 market participants no longer make commitment decisions on their own and have very little

1 control over how much physical fuel will be needed on any given day, month, or year.
2 EMW does not aim to affect the price of purchased power in SPP by hedging, but rather
3 aims to reduce the volatility of fuel and purchased power costs for customers when
4 compared to the volatility of fuel and purchased power, without any hedging activity and
5 all net-short MW settle at the day-ahead or RT prices.

6 **Q: What issues do you see with witness Riley's arguments about volatility in the natural**
7 **gas market in recent years?**

8 A: Witness Riley talks about natural gas prices almost as if they can be predicted or that they
9 will continue to move in a similar direction month after month. Obviously, this is not the
10 case, and further illustrates the value that an entity with a short market energy position like
11 EMW can gain from hedging.

12 **Q: Do you agree with witness Riley's contention that the hedging strategy was ineffective**
13 **against price increases during the test year?**

14 A: No, I do not. The fact is, he ignores that EMW didn't resume hedging activities until May
15 2022. By that time, most of the run-up in natural gas prices (and power prices) for 2022
16 had already occurred. EMW first raised the concern with Staff and OPC in the winter prior
17 to 2022, but had to spend multiple months having conversations with parties that had
18 showed a historical adversity to past hedging activity.

19 **Q: What are the advantages to using financial natural gas products to hedge versus using**
20 **physical natural gas products to hedge?**

21 A: Witness Riley obviously believes physical natural gas is a superior product to financial
22 natural gas when it comes to hedging. He seems to ignore some important facts. The first
23 is that EMW doesn't make generation commitment or dispatch decisions. SPP is

1 responsible for both of these. Therefore, when EMW purchases physical gas ahead of time,
2 an estimated amount needed is required and is typically done so on normalized expectations
3 of loads, winds, and generation availability. A significant problem arises if any of those
4 expectations don't come to fruition. If EMW ends up long on the pipe (meaning EMW
5 ends up purchasing more physical natural gas for a period than EMW ends up burning for
6 generation), EMW doesn't get to simply stay long until they burn it. Pipelines require a
7 monthly or daily cash out which means EMW must sell back to balance the physical natural
8 gas position with penalties and/or at a discount. The likelihood of these cash-out scenarios
9 are great when participating in an Integrated Market like SPP, with a natural gas generation
10 fleet with historically low-capacity factors like EMW. Simply put, there are more potential
11 inefficiencies when buying physical natural gas as a hedge. However, financial natural gas
12 hedges will settle each day for the exact volume transacted (contract of differences)
13 regardless of SPP's generation commitment decisions, regardless of load forecasts, etc.
14 Because of this, there is no cash-out risk like there can be when EMW purchases physical
15 natural gas. Additionally, if EMW buys financial natural gas at the same index/hub that
16 EMW relies on for physical gas to the generation fleet, both products settle exactly the
17 same each day.

18 **Q: Can you provide an illustration of the point above?**

19 A: See Schedule JPM-1. Example 1 is a physical gas hedging example, that includes daily
20 length sold at daily index and an imbalance fee of \$0.18/Dth. Evergy believes this is a very
21 conservative assumption for a pipeline like Panhandle. Most of the time, daily length must
22 be sold at a discount to daily index. Example 2 utilizes the same prices and volumes as
23 Example 1, except the 10,000 Dth/day is financial gas hedging instead of physical gas

1 hedging. The summary of the two examples is, settlement wise, the transactions are very
2 similar except for the inefficiencies that physical gas can create due to imbalances on the
3 pipelines. Because of this, financial natural gas can act as a more efficient hedge when
4 trying to remove price volatility from the portfolio.

5 **Q: Does this mean you believe financial natural gas is the best way to hedge for EMW?**

6 A: No. I simply provided the illustration to show OPC's misconceptions about the
7 appropriateness of one product for hedging versus the lack of appropriateness for another
8 product. As stated in numerous education sessions and discussions with OPC and Staff,
9 Energy believes that a robust hedging policy should rely on physical and financial natural
10 gas as well as physical and financial power and should flow through the fuel clause. This
11 broadens the opportunities for products that can help reduce fuel and purchased power
12 volatility for EMW in an illiquid market like SPP and flowing the hedges entered through
13 the fuel clause aligned with the hedged transaction provides the appropriate hedged market
14 volatility impacts to customers simultaneously.

15 **Q: Is the intent of hedging to generate a profit?**

16 A: Here, witness Riley and I agree. The intent of hedging is not to generate a profit or "make
17 money." However, that seems to be the focus of Riley's testimony instead of whether or
18 not the hedging activity has reduced fuel and purchased power volatility, which is the
19 whole point of hedging. With a typically net-short energy position in the market, like that
20 of EMW, and a hedging policy that states less than 50% of that position will be hedged,
21 hedging activity will "lose" money in a downward natural gas and energy market and
22 "make" money in an upward natural gas and energy market. It is important to define
23 downward markets as those that settle lower than the price at the time of the hedge and

1 upward markets as those that settle higher than the price at the time of the hedge. However,
2 the downward movement in fuel and purchased power costs will be greater than the
3 downward movement in hedging margins. Subsequently, the upward movement in fuel
4 and purchased power costs will be greater than the upward movement in hedging margins.
5 This is why Evergy has stated several times in proceedings over the past two years, if you
6 don't take a step back from the hedging portfolio and look at the entire fuel and purchased
7 power portfolio, one will get a false sense of success when hedges make money and a false
8 sense of failure when hedges lose money.

9 **Q: So how have EMW customers benefited from the movement in fuel and purchased**
10 **power costs that has resulted in losses in the hedging portfolio?**

11 A: The hedging policy specifically calls for hedging volumes that are less than 50% of the
12 forecasted net short position. This is by design to lessen, but still maintain some exposure
13 to the day-ahead and RT market. Given the minority percentages for hedging, one would
14 expect the change in purchased power benefit to be greater in one direction than the
15 hedging gains or losses. This expectation holds true for the period in question. For every
16 \$1 in hedging "losses," the customer benefited ~\$6 in purchased power benefit when
17 comparing net position to the market at the time of hedge and net position to market at
18 liquidation. It stands to reason that if prices had moved in the opposite direction that the
19 same ratio would hold, for every \$1 in hedging "gains," the customer would be harmed
20 ~\$6 in purchased power costs when comparing net position to the market at the time of
21 hedge and net position to market at liquidation.

1 **Q: Is it true that Evergy hasn't changed its hedging strategy from before, as witness Riley**
2 **claims?**

3 A: No, that is not true. The hedging policy was developed in early 2022 and implemented in
4 mid-2022, with a few small changes since then. Evergy does not employ the same strategy
5 that was utilized prior to 2017 referred to by witness Riley. The process is different, the
6 products are different, and the timing is different. As stated earlier in my testimony, the
7 amount of physical natural gas purchased exceeded the volume of financial natural gas
8 hedging in nearly every month between May 2022 and June 2024. Therefore, by witness
9 Riley's definition of cross-hedging, that's not even what is taking place.

10 **Q: Why should all hedging activity flow through the fuel adjustment clause ("FAC")?**

11 A: Hedging activity in the FAC is the only way to ensure the customers that are impacted by
12 the hedging activity are the ones that receive the benefits/costs associated with the activity.
13 As I noted above, the only way to align the hedging financial results with the fuel and
14 power financial results in a way to ensure customers see the actual impact of the program
15 is to flow both sides of the transaction through the fuel clause. Waiting to review and flow
16 the hedge results through base rates completely misses the mark of aligning the hedge
17 results with the underlying transaction. The underlying transaction would have already
18 been recorded through the fuel clause and, with the potential for multiple years in the
19 separation of costs, can certainly mean that customers paying for or receiving a benefit
20 from the hedge itself are not the same customers that received a benefit from or paid for

1 the underlying hedged transaction through the fuel clause. Such disjointed treatment does
2 not mitigate the volatility at the customer level that the hedging policy was designed to do.

3 **Q: Is it uncommon that hedging activity flow through a fuel clause?**

4 A: In my experience, no. The Kansas Corporation Commission has approved all hedging
5 activities for Evergy to flow through fuel clauses in Kansas. As I also just explained,
6 misalignment in customer impact from different timing in customer bill impact from the
7 hedge itself and the underlying hedged transaction, while it may result in a net financial
8 impact for customers broadly, results in unnecessary individual customer bill impact
9 volatility by having different customers impacted by the hedge itself (regulatory
10 asset/liability recovery in base rates) than the underlying hedged fuel or power transaction
11 (fuel clause). Such treatment diminishes and distorts the impact of the hedging policy at
12 the individual customer level. The aligned approach I have seen utilized in Kansas does
13 not have this effect on individual customer bills.

14 **Q: Does this conclude your testimony?**

15 A: Yes, it does.

Example 1: EMW buys 10,000 Dth/day of physical natural gas at the Panhandle Index for the month of February at \$3/Dth. Assumed daily length sold at daily index minus imbalance fee of \$0.18/Dth and daily short purchased at daily index. Ultimately, the customer paid \$575,210 (\$840,000 + \$64,000 - \$328,790) for 181,000 Dth of physical natural gas or \$3.18/Dth.

| Date | Volume Purchased Dth | Fixed price paid | Fixed price cost | Volume burned for SPP commitments | Daily imbalance | Panhandle Index Settle | Cost Incremental daily Dth purchased | Sell/Cash out |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 8,000 | 2,000 | \$ 2.25 | | \$ 4,140 |
| 2-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 7,000 | 3,000 | \$ 2.50 | | \$ 6,960 |
| 3-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 20,000 | -10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | |
| 4-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 12,000 | -2,000 | \$ 3.25 | \$ (6,500) | |
| 5-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 28,200 |
| 6-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 28,200 |
| 7-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 1.85 | | \$ 16,700 |
| 8-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 5,000 | 5,000 | \$ 4.00 | | \$ 19,100 |
| 9-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 9,000 | 1,000 | \$ 4.25 | | \$ 4,070 |
| 10-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 10,000 | 0 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ - |
| 11-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 28,200 |
| 12-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 28,200 |
| 13-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 12,000 | -2,000 | \$ 2.50 | \$ (5,000) | |
| 14-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 12,000 | -2,000 | \$ 2.00 | \$ (4,000) | |
| 15-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 8,000 | 2,000 | \$ 1.50 | | \$ 2,640 |
| 16-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 6,000 | 4,000 | \$ 2.00 | | \$ 7,280 |
| 17-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 3,000 | 7,000 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 19,740 |
| 18-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 9,000 | 1,000 | \$ 4.00 | | \$ 3,820 |
| 19-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 12,000 | -2,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (6,000) | |
| 20-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 4.00 | | \$ 38,200 |
| 21-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 1.00 | | \$ 8,200 |
| 22-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 4.00 | | \$ 38,200 |
| 23-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 6,000 | 4,000 | \$ 4.00 | | \$ 15,280 |
| 24-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 10,000 | 0 | \$ 3.00 | \$ - | \$ - |
| 25-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 15,000 | -5,000 | \$ 2.50 | \$ (12,500) | |
| 26-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | - | 10,000 | \$ 2.50 | | \$ 23,200 |
| 27-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 7,000 | 3,000 | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 8,460 |
| 28-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | 10,000 | 0 | \$ 3.75 | \$ - | \$ - |
| Totals | 280,000 | | \$ (840,000) | 181,000 | | | \$ (64,000) | \$ 328,790 |

Example 2: EMW buys 10,000 Dth/day of financial natural gas at the Panhandle Index for the month of February at \$3/Dth. EMW ends the month balanced because they buy the natural gas as needed based on SPP daily commits. Ultimately, the customer paid \$553,250 (\$840,000 + \$531,750 - \$818,500) for 181,000 Dth of physical natural gas or \$3.06/Dth.

| Date | Volume Purchased Dth | Fixed price paid | Fixed price cost | Financial Natural Gas Settlement | Volume burned for SPP commitments | Panhandle Index Settle | Additional physical gas cost |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 22,500 | 8,000 | \$ 2.25 | \$ (18,000) |
| 2-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 25,000 | 7,000 | \$ 2.50 | \$ (17,500) |
| 3-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | 20,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (60,000) |
| 4-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 32,500 | 12,000 | \$ 3.25 | \$ (39,000) |
| 5-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | - | \$ 3.00 | \$ - |
| 6-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | - | \$ 3.00 | \$ - |
| 7-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 18,500 | - | \$ 1.85 | \$ - |
| 8-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 40,000 | 5,000 | \$ 4.00 | \$ (20,000) |
| 9-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 42,500 | 9,000 | \$ 4.25 | \$ (38,250) |
| 10-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) |
| 11-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | - | \$ 3.00 | \$ - |
| 12-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | - | \$ 3.00 | \$ - |
| 13-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 25,000 | 12,000 | \$ 2.50 | \$ (30,000) |
| 14-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 20,000 | 12,000 | \$ 2.00 | \$ (24,000) |
| 15-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 15,000 | 8,000 | \$ 1.50 | \$ (12,000) |
| 16-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 20,000 | 6,000 | \$ 2.00 | \$ (12,000) |
| 17-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | 3,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (9,000) |
| 18-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 40,000 | 9,000 | \$ 4.00 | \$ (36,000) |
| 19-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | 12,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (36,000) |
| 20-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 40,000 | - | \$ 4.00 | \$ - |
| 21-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 10,000 | - | \$ 1.00 | \$ - |
| 22-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 40,000 | - | \$ 4.00 | \$ - |
| 23-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 40,000 | 6,000 | \$ 4.00 | \$ (24,000) |
| 24-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) |
| 25-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 25,000 | 15,000 | \$ 2.50 | \$ (37,500) |
| 26-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 25,000 | - | \$ 2.50 | \$ - |
| 27-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 30,000 | 7,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (21,000) |
| 28-Feb | 10,000 | \$ 3.00 | \$ (30,000) | \$ 37,500 | 10,000 | \$ 3.75 | \$ (37,500) |
| Totals | 280,000 | | \$ (840,000) | \$ 818,500 | 181,000 | | \$ (531,750) |

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| Meitner Rebuttal, p. 4, ln. 19 | 1, 3, 4, and 6 |
| Meitner Rebuttal, p. 5, ln. 5 | 1, 3, 4, and 6 |

Rationale for the “confidential” designation pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135 is documented below:

1. Customer-specific information;
2. Employee-sensitive personnel information;
3. Marketing analysis or other market-specific information relating to services offered in competition with others;
4. Marketing analysis or other market-specific information relating to goods or services purchased or acquired for use by a company in providing services to customers;
5. Reports, work papers, or other documentation related to work produced by internal or external auditors, consultants, or attorneys, except that total amounts billed by each external auditor, consultant, or attorney for services related to general rate proceedings shall always be public;
6. Strategies employed, to be employed, or under consideration in contract negotiations;
7. Relating to the security of a company's facilities; or
8. Concerning trade secrets, as defined in section 417.453, RSMo.
9. Other (specify) _____.

Should any party challenge the Company’s assertion of confidentiality with respect to the above information, the Company reserves the right to supplement the rationale contained herein with additional factual or legal information.