

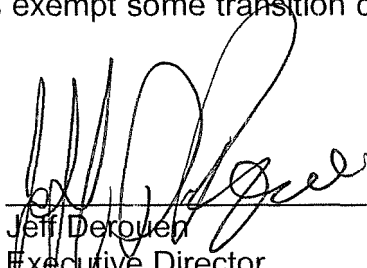
which Retail Suppliers fail or refuse to furnish all or part of the requested information, Retail Suppliers shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for their failure to completely and precisely respond.

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1. Refer to page 5 of the response to Item 1 of the Commission Staff's First Information Request. Under the Transition costs response, the last sentence states, "It is important to also consider that all similar rate class customers will have similar opportunities when it comes to competitive options, assuming programs are properly structured and include Purchase of Receivables, so sharing costs among similar rate classes is likely the most appropriate structure, for most transition costs."

a. Explain whether the Retail Suppliers are advocating that transition costs be shared equally among all customers in eligible classes, whether or not the customer chooses a supplier other than the utility.

b. Would the Retail Suppliers exempt some transition costs from such equal sharing? If so, which ones and why?



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