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## Case No. 2016-00335

TESTIMONY AND FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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November 7, 2016

Ms. Talina Mathews
Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 615
211 Sower Boulevard
Frankfort, KY 40602

RE: PSC Case No. 2016-00335

Dear Ms. Mathews:

Please find enclosed for filing with the Commission in the above-referenced case, an original and eight copies of the prepared testimony of Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc., and responses to the Commission Staff's First Request for Information to East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. and Each of Its Sixteen Member Cooperatives, dated October 12, 2016.

Please contact me with any questions.

Respectfully yours,

CRAWFORD & BAXTER, P.S.C.

James M. Crawford

Attorney for Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc.

cc: Parties of Record

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE	)
COMMISSION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL	)
SURCHARGE MECHANISM OF EAST	)
KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.	)
FOR THE SIX-MONTH BILLING PERIOD	) CASE NO. 2016-00335
ENDING JUNE 30, 2016 AND THE PASS THROUGH	)
MECHANISM FOR ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER	)
DISTRIBUTION COOPERATIVES	)

TESTIMONY OF
ANN F. WOOD
VICE PRESIDENT OF CORPORATE SERVICES
OWEN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Filed: November 7, 2016

1	Q.	Please state your name, business address and occupation.
2	A.	My name is Ann F. Wood and my business address is Owen Electric Cooperative,
3		Inc. ("Owen Electric"), 8205 Highway 127 North, Owenton, Kentucky 40359. I
4		am the Vice President of Corporate Services for Owen Electric.
5	Q.	Please state your education and professional experience.
6	A.	I received a B.S. Degree in Accounting from Georgetown College. After
7		graduation, I accepted an audit position with Coopers & Lybrand in Lexington.
8		My responsibilities ranged from performing detailed audit testing to managing
9		audits. In October 1995, I started working for Lexmark International, Inc. as an
10		analyst. In May 1997, I joined East Kentucky Power Cooperative and held
11		various management positions in the regulatory services, accounting, and internal
12		auditing areas. I joined Owen Electric in April 2013.
13	Q.	Please provide a brief description of your duties at Owen Electric.
14	A.	As Vice President of Corporate Services, I am responsible for all regulatory
15		filings, accounting and finance, safety, procurement, and facilities.
16	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony?
17	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to respond to the information requested in the
18		Commission's October 12, 2016 Order in this proceeding.
19	Q.	In its October 12, 2016 Order the Commission directed that each Member
20		Cooperative file prepared testimony explaining: a) whether it has considered
21		being billed a direct amount for environmental costs based on its monthly
22		purchased power costs or, otherwise, why it has not been considered; b)

whether a direct charge for environmental costs would lessen or eliminate the over-/under-recovery amounts that occur from being billed amounts calculated from an environmental surcharge factor; and c) whether being billed a direct amount for environmental costs would cause the environmental surcharge billings to its member customers to be less volatile and result in more timely recovery of environmental costs. Would you address the first question concerning billing the environmental costs as a direct amount?

12.

A.

Owen Electric has never considered being billed its environmental costs as a direct amount based on its monthly purchased power costs and has not discussed this concept with EKPC. As to why this approach has never been considered, Owen Electric believed that the language of the environmental surcharge statute and the history of the environmental surcharge would not support such an approach. As stated in the direct testimony of Isaac S. Scott on behalf of EKPC, the environmental surcharge statute specifically mentions the approval of a "rate surcharge". Owen Electric also notes that the environmental surcharge statute was modeled after the Commission's fuel adjustment clause ("FAC") regulation. The FAC utilizes a rate mechanism rather than the direct billing of any differences between the actual fuel costs incurred for a period and the level of fuel costs incorporated into base rates. Finally, Owen Electric was further aware that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See In the Matter of an Examination by the Public Service Commission of the Environmental Surcharge Mechanism of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. for the Six-Month Period Ending December 31, 2013 and the Pass-Through Mechanism for Its Sixteen Member Distribution Cooperatives, Order at 8, footnote 16, Case No. 2014-00051, (Ky. P.S.C., Aug. 25, 2015).

- all of the environmental surcharges proposed and approved by the Commission utilized rate mechanisms rather than a direct billing approach.
- Q. Would you address the second question concerning whether a direct charge for environmental costs would lessen or eliminate the over-/under-recovery amounts that occur from being billed amounts calculated from an environmental surcharge factor?

A.

Yes. EKPC's surcharge factor is calculated by dividing the monthly environmental costs incurred by EKPC by the 12-month average Member Cooperatives' revenues. Since the 12-month average Member Cooperatives' revenues used to calculate the surcharge factor will not match the Member Cooperatives' revenues for the specific invoice billing period the surcharge factor is applied to, an over- or under-recovery will exist. As Owen Electric understands the suggestion of billing a direct amount for environmental costs based on the monthly purchased power costs, it would appear that approach would eliminate the over-/under-recovery as currently experienced.

However, Owen Electric would note that its monthly power bills from EKPC fluctuate month to month, often significantly, due to load characteristics and customer mix. Assigning environmental costs to the Member Cooperatives based on monthly power bills which fluctuate significantly would result in bill volatility. Owen Electric along with the other Member Cooperatives have had and continue to have serious concerns about bill volatility. Bill volatility can have significant impacts on the Member Cooperatives' monthly margins and in turn the financial

measures such as the Times Interest Earned Ratio ("TIER"). While over time Owen Electric would recover the EKPC-billed environmental costs from its members, timing lags especially at the end of the fiscal year could distort annual margins and TIER. To address the bill volatility, Owen Electric and the other Member Cooperatives would seek some modification to the direct bill approach to lessen the volatility. Modifications, like using average monthly power bills as the basis for the assignment of the environmental costs, would result in a new form of over-/under-recovery.

A.

- Q. Would you address the third question concerning whether being billed a direct amount for environmental costs would cause the environmental surcharge billings to the Member Cooperatives' member customer to be less volatile and result in more timely recovery of environmental costs?
  - Yes. As noted previously, Owen Electric's monthly power bills from EKPC fluctuate, sometimes by significant amounts. Each of the Member Cooperatives experiences this fluctuation. Assigning EKPC's environmental costs based on the Member Cooperatives' monthly power bills would likely result in fluctuations in the amount of environmental costs assigned to any one Member Cooperative, which would then have to be recovered from the member customers. Thus, Owen Electric believes that rather than lessen volatility, this approach would simply replace the volatility that comes with the surcharge factor approach with volatility resulting from assigning environmental cost recovery on fluctuating monthly power bills.

The utilization of a direct billing approach would not result in more timely recovery of environmental costs from Owen Electric's member customers. Once Owen Electric was billed a particular month's environmental costs, it would in turn bill its member customers the appropriate share of those costs in conjunction with the appropriate billing cycle. This process would be no different than the current arrangement.

#### Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

8 A. Yes, it does.

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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#### **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF KENTUCKY	)
	)
COUNTY OF OWEN	)

Ann F. Wood, being duly sworn, states that she has read the foregoing prepared testimony and that she would respond in the same manner to the questions if so asked upon taking the stand, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.

Subscribed and sworn before me on this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of November, 2016.

Notary Public

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# RESPONSES TO THE COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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#### **CERTIFICATE**

STATE OF KENTUCKY	)
COUNTY OF OWEN	)

Ann F. Wood, being duly sworn, states that she has supervised the preparation of the response of Owen Electric Cooperative, Inc. to the Public Service Commission Staff's First Request for Information to East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. and Each of Its Sixteen Member Cooperatives dated October 12, 2016, in the above-referenced case, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of her knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.

Subscribed and sworn before me on this \_\_\_\_\_day of November, 2016.

Notary Public

#### **PSC CASE NO. 2016-00335**

#### ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE MECHANISM

#### RESPONSE TO FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST

#### COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. AND EACH OF ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER COOPERATIVES DATED 10/12/2016

#### **REQUEST 2**

RESPONSIBLE PARTY: Ann F. Wood

Request 2: This question is addressed to EKPC and the Member Cooperatives. For each of the 16 Member Cooperatives, prepare a summary schedule showing the Member Cooperative's pass-through revenue requirement for the months corresponding with the six-month review. Include a calculation of any additional over-or under-recovery amount the distribution cooperative believes needs to be recognized for the six-month review. Provide the schedule and all supporting calculations and documentation in Excel spreadsheet format with formulas intact and unprotected.

Response 2: Please see pages 2 and 3 of this response and EKPC's response to Request 2 of the Commission Staff's First Request for Information dated October 12, 2016. Please note that the electronic version of this response is being filed by EKPC.

#### Owen - Calculation of (Over)/Under Recovery

		•			
			Billed to Retail		
		EKPC Involce	Consumer &		
		Month recorded	recorded on	Monthly	Cumulative
		Member's Books	Member's Books	(Over) or Under	(Over) or Under
Line No.	Month & Year	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	Previous (Over)/Under-Recovery Ren	naining to be Amortize	d		
1a	From Case No. 2014-00051 (Over)/U	nder-Recovery			(\$1,316,101)
1b	From Case No. 2015-00281 (Over)/U	nder-Recovery			(\$1,362,485)
1c	From Case No. 2016-00144 (Over)/U	nder-Recovery		•	(\$516,028)
1d	Total Previous (Over)/Under-Recover	y			(\$3,194,614)
2	Jan-16	\$1,169,404	\$859,778	\$309.626	(\$2,884,988)
3	Feb-16	\$890,477	\$842,657	\$47,820	(\$2,837,168)
4	Mar-16		\$618,329	(\$129,626)	
5	Apr-16		\$120,547	\$442,013	(\$2,524,782)
6	May-16		\$402,935	\$368,806	(\$2,155,976)
7	Jun-16		\$668,387	\$334,993	(\$1,820,984)
Post	Jul-16		\$734,100	\$474,887	(\$1,346,096)
Review	Aug-16		\$871,222	\$185,426	(\$1,160,670)
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		Amount Per Case	Amortization of		
8		Order Remaining	Previous		Amount Per Case
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			(Over)/Under		•
		beginning of Review	Recoveries During		be Amortized at end
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8a	Case No. 2014-00051 Recovery	\$1,316,101	(\$877,398)		\$438,703
8b	Case No. 2015-00281 Recovery	\$1,362,485	(\$227,080)		\$1,135,405
8c	Case No. 2016-00144 Recovery	\$516,028	\$0		\$516,028
8d	Total Order amounts remaining - Over/(Under): \$2,090,136				
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9	Cumulative six month (Over)/Under-F	Recovery [Cumulative	net of remaining Case	amortizations (Ln 7&	\$269,152
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10	Monthly recovery (per month for six n	nonths		<u> </u>	\$44,859
	Reconciliation:				
11					<b>(\$3,194,614)</b>
12	2 Previous (Over)/Under-Recovery Remaining to be Amortized, ending of Review Period \$2,090,136				
13	Total Amortization during Review Period				(\$1,104,478)
14	(Over)/Under-Recovery from Column 5, Line 9 \$269,152				
15	Less: Total Monthly (Over)/Under-Recovery for Review Period (Column 4, Lines 2 thru 7) \$1,373,630				\$1,373,630
		-		•	
16	Difference				(\$1,104,478)

Amortization Detail, Column 3, Line 8:

	Case No.	Case No.	Case No.
Month & Year	2014-00051	2015-00281	2016-00144
Jan-16	(\$146,233)	\$0	\$0
Feb-16	(\$146,233)	\$0	\$0
Mar-16	(\$146,233)	\$0	\$0
Apr-16	(\$146,233)	\$0	\$0
May-16	(\$146,233)	(\$113,540)	\$0
Jun-16	(\$146,233)	(\$113,540)	\$0
Totals	(\$877,398)	(\$227,080)	\$0

#### Owen Electric Cooperative - Calculation of (Over)/Under Recovery - Direct Surcharge Pass-Throughs

#### Special Contract

	EKPC Invoice	Billed to Retail Consumer &	-	
	Month recorded	recorded on	Monthly	Cumulative
	Member's Books	Member's Books	(Over) or Under	(Over) or Under
Month & Year	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Jan-16	\$506,755	\$506,755	\$0	\$0
Feb-16	\$486,400	\$486,400	\$0	\$0
Mar-16	\$314,534	\$314,534	\$0	\$0
Apr-16	\$413,828	\$413,828	\$0	\$0
May-16	\$542,547	\$542,547	\$0	\$0
Jun-16	\$548,609	\$548,609	\$0	\$0
Jul-16	\$604,862	\$604,862	\$0	\$0
Aug-16	\$454,140	\$454,140	\$0	\$0

Cumulative 6-month (Over)/Under Recovery	\$0
Monthly Recovery (per month for six months)	\$0

#### Rate B Customers

		Billed to Retail		
	EKPC Invoice	Consumer &		
	Month recorded	recorded on	Monthly	Cumulative
	Member's Books	Member's Books	(Over) or Under	(Over) or Under
Month & Year	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Jan-16	\$204,904	\$204,904	\$0	\$0
Feb-16	\$174,728	\$174,728	\$0	\$0
Mar-16	\$119,554	\$119,554	\$0	\$0
Apr-16	\$146,170	\$146,170	\$0	\$0
May-16	\$193,101	\$193,101	\$0	\$0
Jun-16	\$211,977	\$211,977	\$0	\$0
Jul-16	\$228,749	\$228,749	\$0	\$0
Aug-16	\$198,068	\$198,068	\$0	\$0

Cumulative 6-month (Over)/Under Recovery	\$0
Monthly Recovery (per month for six months)	\$0

#### **PSC CASE NO. 2016-00335**

#### ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE MECHANISM

#### RESPONSE TO FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST

COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. AND EACH OF ITS SIXTEEN MEMBER COOPERATIVES DATED 10/12/2016

**REQUEST 7** 

RESPONSIBLE PARTY: Ann F. Wood

Request 7: This question is addressed to each of the 16 Member Cooperatives. For your particular Member Cooperative, provide the actual average residential customer's monthly usage for the 12 months ended May 31, 2016. Based on this usage amount, provide the dollar impact any over- or under-recovery will have on the average residential customer's monthly bill for the requested recovery period.

<u>Response 7</u>: Please see the response to Request 2 for the calculation of the review period's under-recovery.

Page 3 of this response reflects the impact on the average residential customer.

Page 4 of this response represents the "as filed" surcharge factors, and served as the basis for calculating the average pass-through factor used to calculate the "Actual Average Residential Monthly Bill" on page 3. Page 5 of this response assumes the under-recovery of \$269,152, as provided in the response to Request 2, was amortized over the last 6 months of the April 2015 to March 2016 timeframe and served as a basis for calculating the average pass-through factor used to calculate the "Average Residential Monthly Bill with Recovery" on page 3. Please note that the April 2015 to March 2016 expense month environmental surcharge factors represent billed factors for June 2015 through May 2016.

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onthly Residential kW	h:	<u>1,052</u>	
Rate:			
Customer Charge	\$20.00	\$20.00	
kWh Charge	\$0.08491	\$89.30	
Fuel Adjustment			
Factor (Average Billed			
Jun 15 -May 16)	(\$0.00434)	(\$4.56)	
Environmental			
Surcharge (Computed			
Average Billed Dec 14-			
Nov 15)	9.64%	10.10	
County/City Tax	3.00%	\$3.45	
		\$118.28	
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#### East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. - Distribution Cooperatives Pase Through Mechanism Report for Owen Electric Cooperative

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May-15	18.09%	0.00%	18.00%	\$ 8,172,609		\$ 8,172,609	\$ 9,832,270	\$ 1,778,658	\$ 396,149	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 147,058	\$ -	\$ 1,233,451	\$ -	\$ 1,233,451	\$ 6,586,609		\$ 6,586,609	\$ 6,509,103	14.40%
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Jul-16	15.81%	0.00%	15.91%	\$ 9,591,949		\$ 9,591,949	\$ 9,643,748	\$ 1,518,410	\$ 458,899	\$ -	\$ 209,213	· \$ -	\$ 852,298	<b>3</b> -	\$ 852,298	\$ 7,800,054		\$ 7,800,054	\$ 6,340,688	10,10%
Aug-15	18.25%	0.00%	16.26%	\$ 9,579,234		\$ 9,579,234	\$ 9,373,338	\$ 1,623,167	\$ 445,236	\$ -	\$ 181,430	<b>S</b> -	\$ 896,495	\$ (148,233)	\$ 750,262	\$ 9,204,046		\$ 9,204,045	\$ 6,402,139	9.00%
Sep-15	17.07%	0.00%	17.07%	\$ 8,907,082		\$ 8,907,082	\$ 9,326,993	\$ 1,592,118	\$ 422,945	\$ -	\$ 180,128	<b>s</b> -	\$ 989,045	\$ (146,233)	\$ 842,812	\$ 8,507,224		\$ 8,507,224	\$ 6,350,433	10.03%
Oct-15	18.51%	0.00%	18,61%	\$ 7,001,451		\$ 7,001,451	\$ 9,134,154	\$ 1,690,732	\$ 345,964	\$ -	\$ 177,290	<b>s</b> -	\$ 1,167,478	\$ (146,233)	\$ 1,021,245	\$ 7,096,102		\$ 7,098,102	\$ 8,348,771	12.23%
Nov-15	18.81%	0.00%	18.81%	\$ 8,381,346		\$ 8,361,346	\$ 8,994,965	\$ 1,691,953	\$ 527,810		\$ 190,937	<b>s</b> -	\$ 973,208	\$ (140,233)	\$ 626,973	\$ 6,672,626		\$ 6,672,626	\$ 8,263,004	9.91%
Dec-15	18.40%	0.00%	18.40%	\$ 9,287,280		\$ 9,287,280	\$ 8,890,945	\$ 1,635,934	\$ 580,699	\$ -	\$ 209,557	8 -	\$ 845,878	\$ (146,233)	\$ 699,445	8 7,249,541		\$ 7,249,541	\$ 8,126,312	8.46%
Jen-18	16.00%	0.00%	18.00%	\$ 10,223,171		\$ 10,223,171	\$ 8,908,222	\$ 1,424,995	\$ 506,755	\$ -	\$ 204,904	· \$ -	\$ 713,336	\$ (146,233)	\$ 567,103	\$ 8,552,817		\$ 8,552,817	\$ 6,030,065	6.96%
Feb-16	10.92%	0.00%	10.02%	\$ 9,697,505		\$ 9,697,505	\$ 8,699,122	\$ 971,784	\$ 486,400	\$ -	\$ 174,728	· \$ -	\$ 310,656	\$ (146,233)	\$ 164,423	\$ 10,756,793		\$ 10,756,793	\$ 8,081,357	2.05%
Mer-18	14.30%	0.00%	14.30%	\$ 8,450,447		\$ 8,450,447	\$ 8,825,355	\$ 1,262,169	\$ 314,534	3 -	\$ 119,554	\$ -	\$ 828,081	\$ (259,773)	\$ 588,308	\$ 7,964,617		\$ 7,964,517	\$ 7,930,768	7.05%

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#### East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. - Distribution Cooperativee Pass Through Mechanism Report for Owen Electric Cooperative

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May-15	18.00%	0.00%		\$ 8,172,609		\$ 8,172,609	\$ 9.832.270		\$ 398,149		8 147,058	•	\$ 1,233,451		8 1,233,451	\$ 6,566,609		\$ 0,505,609	\$ 8,509,103	14,49%
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Jun-15	18.44%	0.00%	18.44%			\$ 9,399,657	\$ 9,690,691	\$ 1,797,000	\$ 482,985	•	\$ 207,706		\$ 1,096,310		\$ 1,098,310	\$ 7,304,717		\$ 7,304,717	\$ 5,442,542	
Jul-15	15.91%	0.00%	15,91%			\$ 9,591,949	<b>9</b> ,543,748	\$ 1,518,410	8 455,699	<b>.</b>	\$ 209,213	\$ -	\$ 852,298		\$ 852,298	\$ 7,800,054		\$ 7,800,054	\$ 8,340,668	10.10%
Aug-15	16.25%	0.00%	16.25%	\$ 9,579,234		\$ 9,579,234	\$ 9,373,338	\$ 1,523,167	8 445,236	<b>s</b> -	\$ 181,436	<b>\$</b> -	\$ \$96,496	\$ (146,233)	\$ 750,262	\$ 9,204,045		\$ 9,204,045	\$ 8,402,130	9.00%
8ep-15	17.07%	0.00%	17.07%	\$ 8,907,082		\$ 8,907,082	\$ 9,326,993	\$ 1,592,118	\$ 422,945	<b>8</b> -	\$ 180,128	<b>\$</b> -	\$ 989,045	\$ (146,233)	\$ 842,812	\$ 8,507,224		\$ 8,507,224	\$ 8,350,433	10.03%
Oct-15	18.51%	0.00%	18.51%	\$ 7,001,451		\$ 7,001,451	\$ 9,134,154	\$ 1,690,732	\$ 345,964	\$ -	\$ 177,290	\$ -	\$ 1,167,478	\$ (101,374)	\$ 1,088,104	\$ 7,096,102		\$ 7,098,102	\$ 8,348,771	12.77%
Nov-15	18.81%	0.00%	18.81%	\$ 8,361,346		\$ 8,381,346	\$ 8,994,965	\$ 1,691,953	\$ 527,810	\$ -	\$ 190,837	\$ -	\$ 973,206	\$ (101,374)	\$ 871,632	\$ 6,672,626		\$ 6,672,626	\$ 8,263,004	10.44%
Dec-15	18.40%	0.00%	18.40%	\$ 9,267,260		\$ 9,287,280	\$ 6,890,945	\$ 1,635,934	\$ 580,699	<b>3</b> -	\$ 209,557	<b>s</b> -	8 846,678	\$ (101,374)	\$ 744,304	\$ 7,249,641		\$ 7,249,541	\$ 8,128,312	9.01%
Jan-16	16.00%	0.00%	18,00%			\$ 10,223,171	8 8,908,222	8 1.424.995	\$ 506,755	8 -	8 204,904	s -	\$ 713,336	\$ (101,374)	\$ 611,962	\$ 8,552,817		\$ 8,662,817	\$ 8,030,065	7.63%
Feb-16	10.92%	0.00%	10.92%			\$ 9,697,505	\$ 8,699,122	\$ 971.784	\$ 486,400		\$ 174,728	8 -	\$ 310,668	\$ (101,374)		\$ 10,758,793		\$ 10,756,793	\$ 8,081,357	2.61%
Mar-16	14.30%	0.00%		8 8,450,447		\$ 8,450,447	\$ 8,626,356		\$ 314,634		\$ 119,554	\$ -	\$ 626,061	\$ (214,914)				\$ 7,964,517	\$ 7,930,768	7.61%

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**REQUEST 9** 

RESPONSIBLE PARTY: Ann F. Wood

Request 9: This question is addressed to the Member Cooperatives. Explain in detail the process by which the environmental surcharge amounts billed by EKPC are recorded and billed to member cooperatives. Include in the response a discussion of timing and accounting methodology.

Response 9: The environmental surcharge amounts billed by EKPC are recorded as revenue by EKPC and as purchased power expense by Owen Electric based on the month the service was rendered by EKPC and received by Owen Electric. Please see the response to Request 12a.

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**REQUEST 12** 

RESPONSIBLE PARTY: Ann F. Wood

Request 12: This question is addressed to the Member Cooperatives. Refer to your response to Staff's First Request, Item 2.

Request 12a. Explain how the amounts recorded in the column labelled "EKPC Invoice Month Recorded Member's Books" correspond with EKPC's expense month. For example, EKPC's monthly report for December 2015 indicates that the December 2015 expense month would be billed beginning February 2016 for service rendered in January 2016. Explain in which month the Member Cooperative would reflect its portion of the December 2015 expense billed by EKPC.

Response 12a. Please refer to the response to Request 2, page 2 of 3, column 2, line 2. The \$1,169,404 represents the environmental surcharge amount billed by EKPC to Owen Electric for service rendered in January 2016, based on EKPC's environmental surcharge factor filed for the December 2015 expense month. EKPC records this environmental surcharge revenue in January 2016 to correspond with the period in which service was rendered. Accordingly, Owen Electric records the EKPC power bill, which contains the

environmental surcharge amount billed by EKPC, in January 2016. Owen Electric records the billing by EKPC in account 555, Purchased Power.

Request 12b. Explain whether the amounts reported in this column reflect only the actual amount billed by EKPC, or if the amount does or can include adjustments to the billed amount. Explain the adjustments that may be included, if any.

Response 12b. EKPC prepares the response to Request 2 and Owen Electric provides the surcharge revenues shown in Column 3. The surcharge amount in Column 2 reflects the total gross surcharge shown on EKPC's invoice minus the Direct Load Control program surcharge credit. The Direct Load Control program provides demand credits to Owen Electric based on the involvement of Owen Electric's retail members in the Direct Load Control program. The demand credit impacts the revenues included to determine the surcharge and a separate surcharge credit is calculated. There is also an adjustment to reflect a classification adjustment for two substations to better match Owen Electric's reporting. However, these adjustments are reflected on the invoice EKPC sends to Owen Electric.

Request 12c. Refer to the column labelled "Billed to Retail Consumer & Recorded on Member's Books." Confirm that these amounts are the actual environmental surcharge amounts billed and not environmental surcharge amounts actually collected from retail customers.

Response 12c. Owen Electric confirms that the amounts contained in the column labelled "Billed to Retail Consumer & Recorded on Member's Books" are the actual environmental surcharge amounts billed for that particular month.

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**REQUEST 13** 

RESPONSIBLE PARTY: Ann F. Wood

Request 13: This question is addressed to the Member Cooperatives. Refer to the Member Cooperatives Pass Through Mechanism Report in EKPC's monthly environmental surcharge report. Provide the revenue month to which the pass through factor (Column 15) calculated for the expense month will be applied.

Response 13: Please refer to the response to Request 7, page 4 of 5. Owen Electric applied the March 2016 factor of 7.05% (Column 15) to its May 2016 revenue month.