

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY
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Information Request:

In Table 6 of Appendix A, how were the EEP Program Charges forecasted for the months of January 2017 through June 2017?

Attachments: 0

Response:

The forecasted EEP Program Charges for the months of January 2017 through June 2017 were based on the preliminary 2017 EEP annual budget of \$432,000, to be requested in the South Dakota 2017-2019 Triennial filing. The costs were allocated by month based on 2015 EEP actual expenses. In the South Dakota 2017-2019 Triennial filing, Docket No. EL16-020, the Company included an annual budget for 2017 of \$449,000. The proposed budget increase was needed to accommodate increased participant goals and associated rebates. The \$17,000 difference between the 2017 preliminary budget and proposed budget is minor in the calculation of the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor (EEP Factor).

The Company must account for the 2017 budget to properly set the EEP Factor, which is updated annually. The Company strives to manage the EEP Factor accurately in order to keep the EEP tracker account as close to a zero balance as possible.