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Question:

Explain why the participation, kWh savings, and kW savings for the Peak and Energy Control program were so much more than budgeted yet costs were well below budget.

Response:
As provided in Discovery Request 2-6, the budget for ERS is primarily used for administrative purposes. Customer incentives are discounts on electrical prices as a function of the electric rate case. Therefore, the budget is typically neither a reflection of the number of participants nor the energy savings estimated for signing up for the program.

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