CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC. ELECTRIC CASE TESTIMONIES VOLUME 5

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1 I. INTRODUCTION

2	Q.	Would the members of the Shared Services Panel
3		("Panel") please state your names and business
4		addresses?
5	A.	Our names are Lisa Primeggia, Nancy Shannon, Joan
6		Jacobs, Michael Haggerty, King Look, and Michele
7		Campanella. Our business address is 4 Irving Place,
8		New York, NY 10003.
9	Q.	By whom are the panel members employed?
10	A.	We are all employed by Consolidated Edison Company of
11		New York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or the "Company").
12	Q.	Please explain your educational backgrounds, work
13		experience, and current general responsibilities.
14	A.	(Primeggia) I am currently the Vice President of
15		Facilities and Field Services for the Company. I have
16		been employed by Con Edison since 1991, holding
17		positions of increasing responsibility in a variety of
18		support and operating positions including: Attorney,
19		General Manager Substations Operations, General
20		Manager Bronx/Westchester Electric, General Manager
21		Manhattan Electric Construction. Effective November
22		2018, I was elected to my current position, Vice
23		President of Facilities and Field Services. As Vice

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1 President of Facilities and Field Services, I am 2 responsible for operating and maintaining over 40 facilities (office buildings and field operations 3 locations/service centers) within the service 4 territories of Con Edison and Orange and Rockland 5 б Utilities, Inc. ("O&R"), including: planning and project management; engineering services; environment, 7 health and safety; and office services. I am also 8 9 responsible for all the garages throughout Con Edison 10 and O&R as well as Automotive Engineering and Fleet 11 Administration, and for providing tanker support, material delivery services, and other logistics and 12 13 emergency support services for the Company. I am 14 responsible for approximately 600 employees between 15 Con Edison and O&R. I earned a Juris Doctorate from St. Johns University, School of Law in 2003 and a 16 Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from 17 18 Polytechnic University in 1991. I am admitted to the NYS Bar and the United States Patent and Trademark 19 20 Office as a Practitioner.

(Shannon) I am currently the Vice President of Human
Resources ("HR"). I assumed this position in June
2018. In my current position, I am responsible for

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1 various human resources activities including Benefits, 2 Compensation, Human Resource Support, Employee and 3 Labor Relations, and the Employee Wellness Center. 4 Specifically, my responsibilities include developing human resource policies and programs for the Company; 5 б negotiating and administering labor agreements that are compliant with federal, state and city regulations 7 for human resource related activities (e.g., Family 8 and Medical Leave Act ("FMLA"), Employee Retirement 9 10 Income Security Act ("ERISA"), Health Insurance 11 Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA")); directing the preparation of information requested or 12 13 required for compliance; establishing wage and salary 14 structure pay policies; implementing cost containment 15 strategies for health benefit programs; negotiating administrative fees with health insurance carriers; 16 recommending alternate benefit administrators and plan 17 18 changes; managing a staff of over 100 professionals; and developing, implementing and monitoring all 19 20 aspects of the Company's executive compensation. 21 I joined Con Edison in 1989 as a management intern and 22 have held positions of increasing responsibility in a variety of operating and support positions including: 23

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Director of the Employee Wellness Center, Director of Environmental Health and Safety Programs ("EH&S"); Queens Meter Operations Manager; and Benefits and Compensation Manager. I earned a Bachelor's degree in Marketing from Saint John's University and a Master's degree in Industrial/Organizational psychology from Baruch College.

(Jacobs) I am currently the Vice President of 8 9 Learning and Inclusion. I assumed this position in 10 August 2014. In this role, I oversee the Company's 11 training and conference facility called The Learning Center ("TLC"). I am responsible for design and 12 13 delivery of professional leadership and technical 14 training programs that meet the training needs of the 15 Company. In addition to training and development, I am also responsible for engaging the workforce in 16 fostering diversity and inclusion throughout the 17 18 Company. My areas of responsibility include recruitment and staffing, skills training, leadership 19 20 and career development, diversity and inclusion, 21 performance management, and organizational 22 development. I am responsible for managing a staff of 23 over 200 professionals. I have over twenty-six years'

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1 experience in human resource management and law. Ι 2 joined the Company in 2001 as director of Talent 3 Management, and have also held the positions of director of HR Support Services, director of Equal 4 Employment Opportunity Affairs and labor relations 5 б administrator. Prior to joining Con Edison, I was a labor attorney at New York Health and Human Services 7 Union 1199. I also worked at the Ontario Human Rights 8 9 Tribunal, the Labor Relations Board, and the Pay 10 Equity Commission, in Toronto. I hold a bachelor's 11 degree in political science from McGill University and a Juris Doctorate from University of Windsor Law 12 13 School. I am currently a board member for CORO a 14 leadership development organization that trains 15 ethical, diverse civic leaders nationwide. I am also a graduate of CORO New York. 16 (Haggerty) I am currently the Vice President of Supply 17

Chain. I have been employed by Con Edison since 1983, holding positions of increasing responsibility in a variety of support and operating positions including: Construction Management, Gas Operations, Human Resources - The Learning Center, Central Field Services, and EH&S. As Vice President of Supply Chain

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I am responsible for managing the company's annual expenditure of approximately \$2.8 billion in materials and services, and the warehousing operation which stores and disburses materials across the Con Edison and O&R service territories. I earned an MBA from Fordham University and a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Manhattan College.

I am responsible for approximately 260 employees 8 9 between Con Edison and O&R. Approximately 80 10 employees are in the Procurement Department and are 11 responsible for procuring materials and services for 12 operations and support departments. Approximately 180 13 employees are in the Stores department and are 14 responsible for storing, managing and distributing 15 materials to Operations.

(Look) I am the Director of Research and Development. 16 I received Bachelor of Engineering and Master of 17 18 Engineering degrees in Chemical Engineering from Cooper Union, a Master of Science degree in Electrical 19 20 Engineering from Manhattan College, and a Master in 21 Business Administration degree in Computer Information 22 Systems from Baruch College. I joined Con Edison in 23 1983 as an Intern in the Management Intern Program.

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1 In 1985, I completed the Management Intern Program and 2 joined the Mechanical Engineering Department as an 3 Associate Engineer. Between 1985 and 2017, I worked in various departments, *i.e.*, Mechanical Engineering, 4 Generation Planning, Corporate Planning, Resource 5 б Planning, Gas Operations and Electricity Supply and in various positions of increasing responsibility. 7 In December 2017, I started in my current position. 8 In 9 this position, I am responsible for developing new 10 products and processes to enhance the safety, 11 reliability, efficiency, operational excellence, and customer engagement for Con Edison. I oversee fifteen 12 13 employees, dedicated to managing and supporting R&D 14 projects for the Company's electric, gas, and steam 15 business units. I guide the overall department 16 strategy and manage the overall R&D budget. (Campanella) I am the Director of Corporate Security. 17 18 I graduated from Clarkson University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting in 1978 and from New 19 20 York Law School with a Juris Doctorate degree in 1989. 21 I am an active member of the Security Committees for 22 the American Gas Association and the Edison Electric Institute. I am also a member of the Domestic 23

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1 Security Alliance Council, which is a collaboration 2 between the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"), 3 Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") and private 4 industry. Prior to joining Con Edison, I was a Special Agent of the FBI from 1980 to 2008. Among 5 б other duties, I served as the Assistant Special Agent in Charge in the Washington Field Office, a position 7 that included oversight of the Security Branch. 8 As the Assistant Special Agent in Charge, I was 9 10 responsible for the protection of the Attorney General 11 of the United States and the Director of the FBI, the physical security of the properties within the 12 13 Washington Field Office territory, and the 14 investigative services related to personnel security, 15 including polygraphs, background investigations, and clearances. Since September 2008, I have been the 16 Director of Corporate Security for Con Edison. As the 17 18 Director of Corporate Security, I formulate and direct security policies, practices and procedures for the 19 20 Company. I direct the investigative and security related activities of forty-four investigators and 21 22 staff; act as a liaison with Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies; advise senior executives on 23

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1		security-related matters; direct physical security
2		surveys of Company facilities; and make and implement
3		security recommendations throughout the Company. In
4		addition, I develop specifications and monitor the
5		performance of contract guard services, oversee cyber
6		forensic investigations and implement training
7		requirements for Company security personnel.
8	Q.	Have any members of the Panel previously testified
9		before the New York State Public Service Commission
10		("PSC" or "Commission")?
11	A.	(Campanella) Yes, I have testified before the
12		Commission as a witness in previous electric and gas
13		rate case proceedings (Cases 09-E-0428, 13-E-0030,13-
14		G-0031, 16-E-0060 and 16-G-0061).
15		(Haggerty) Yes, I have testified before the Commission
16		as a witness in the previous electric and gas rate
17		case proceeding (16-E-0060 and 16-G-0061).
18		(Jacobs) Yes, I have testified before the Commission
19		as a witness in the previous electric and gas rate
20		case proceeding (16-E-0060 and 16-G-0061).
21		(Look) Yes, I have testified before the Commission as
22		a witness in a previous steam rate case proceeding
23		(Case 99-S-1621).

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(Primeggia) No, I have not previously testified before 1 2 the Commission. 3 (Shannon) No, I have not previously testified before the Commission. 4 II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY 5 6 Please explain the purpose of your testimony and the Ο. 7 relationship of Shared Services efforts to the Company as a whole. 8 9 Our purpose is to present the Company's required Α. 10 Shared Services projects and programs, and their 11 respective funding requirements. Shared Services is a support organization, performing a number of different 12 13 support functions. These support functions include 14 logistical support activities; maintaining and 15 improving the supply chain infrastructure throughout 16 the Company; hiring and training all employees and where necessary, contractors; maintaining the 17 18 Company's properties, and; providing physical and cybersecurity solutions. All of the projects and 19 20 programs discussed in our testimony are common to the 21 Company's electric, gas and/or steam businesses, and, 22 in most cases, to O&R. The Company's Accounting Panel 23 explains how these costs are allocated to Con Edison's

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electric, gas and/or steam service and, where 1 2 applicable, O&R. Specifically, this testimony covers 3 the Capital and/or O&M funding requirements for the 4 Company's general equipment, R&D, security, human resources, learning and inclusion, and facilities and 5 б field Services functions. In presenting these initiatives, the Company's focus remains on the 7 continued provision of safe and reliable service for 8 9 our internal and external customers, operational 10 excellence, and maximizing customer experience. Please summarize the Panel's testimony. 11 Q. We describe numerous Shared Services efforts needed to 12 Α. 13 support programs throughout the Company. Our 14 testimony also discusses various efforts that Shared 15 Services undertakes to reduce risk and enhance public 16 and employee safety, increase operational performance and flexibility for the various operations, and 17 18 enhance the customer experience and engaging our customers, in order for the Company to continue to 19 20 provide utility services in a safe, reliable, and 21 cost-efficient manner.

First, we explain the Company's capital request forgeneral equipment.

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Second, we will present several R&D initiatives in the
 areas of gas and electric services as well as a
 project aimed at capturing all information from past
 projects.

5 Third, we discuss three Corporate Security capital 6 projects, one to replace obsolete closed circuit 7 television ("CCTV") cameras throughout the Company, 8 and another to replace obsolete recording devices, and 9 lastly a project to enhance cybersecurity forensic 10 capabilities.

Fourth, we address the capital program initiative to upgrade our HR Payroll application and the O&M costs associated with the strike contingency within Human Resources.

15 Fifth, we discuss Learning & Inclusion's Transforming
16 Learning Through Innovation.

Sixth, regarding Facilities and Field Services, we
will discuss building and demolition projects; several
critical repairs and upgrades, including the repair of
critical infrastructure of our various buildings;
safety and environmental projects, and lastly the
upgrade of a gasoline and diesel fueling station.

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1		Finally, we discuss Shared Services' role and programs
2		in the Company's Business Cost Optimization Program.
3	Q	What period does this testimony cover?
4	A.	The Panel will present the projects and programs
5		planned for the 12 month period ending December 31,
6		2020 ("Rate Year" or "RY1"). While as discussed by
7		the Company's Accounting Panel, the Company is not
8		proposing a multi-year rate plan in this rate case,
9		the Company would be willing to pursue, through
10		settlement discussions with Staff and interested
11		parties, a three-year rate plan. To facilitate
12		settlement discussions, we also address capital plant
13		additions and other programs and initiatives for the
14		two years following the Rate Year. We will refer to
15		the 12 month periods ending December 31, 2021 and
16		December 31, 2022 as "RY2" and "RY3", respectively.
17		Key Themes
18	Q.	Please state the Company's key principles driving its
19		funding request in this filing.
20	A.	There are three principles which guide all of the
21		programs and projects for which funding is sought in
22		this filing:

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- Safety and reliability for both customers and 1 • 2 employees 3
 - Operational excellence

• Customer experience

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- 5 Please elaborate on the Company's objective of Ο. maintaining safety and reliability. 6
- 7 Α. The Company is embarking on numerous projects to enhance the safety of both our customers and 8 9 employees. This includes capital projects to correct 10 potentially unsafe conditions, address environmental 11 issues, and maintain the structural integrity of the 12 Company's buildings, install new fire hydrants, and eliminate the potential for harmful pollutants from 13 14 entering the East River.
- 15 Q. Describe, in brief, how Facilities plans to achieve 16 operational excellence with the funding requested in 17 this filing.
- Con Edison is in constant pursuit of doing more and 18 A: 19 doing better to provide the most cost-effective and 20 reliable products and services to our customers. Α 21 great example, among many, would be the development of 22 technologies which may reduce costs, improve 23 reliability, upgrade capacity, and reduce the

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1		environmental impact of the underground and overhead
2		transmission systems and substations.
3	Q:	How does Con Edison plan to use the requested funding
4		of this filing to enhance the customer experience?
5	A:	Customer experience is at the core of Con Edison's
6		mission as a major utility-ensuring that customers are
7		seen, heard, and having their needs met effectively
8		and efficiently. The Sherman Creek Service Center is
9		but one example. In order to prevent over-congestion
10		at existing Bronx and Manhattan service centers, the
11		Company is continuing with planning for a new service
12		center on Company-owned property in Northern
13		Manhattan. The new facility is intended to address
14		our internal customer expectations and anticipated to
15		provide relief to the congestion experienced at the
16		existing Manhattan and Bronx service centers, which
17		continues to be a safety concern for pedestrian and
18		vehicular traffic, as well as an impediment to
19		productivity and response times for the various Con
20		Edison field operation organizations.

21 II. GENERAL EQUIPMENT

Q. Please explain the Company's category of capitalexpenditures known as General Equipment.

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1	Α.	General Equipment represents specific catego	ories of
2		capital equipment, defined below, that are c	lassified
3		under the Uniform System of Accounts as Gene	eral Plant.
4		In general, these items have a purchase cost	equal to
5		or greater than \$500 and have a life expecta	ancy of
б		more than one year, as detailed in the Compa	ny's
7		Corporate Instruction CI-610-1.	
8	Q.	What are the categories of General Equipment	?
9	A.	General Equipment consists of nine main cate	egories of
10		capital plant or "tools." Each is commonly	referred
11		to as an XM, which is a unique budget refere	ence coding
12		for the Company's General Equipment. The fo	ollowing is
13		a list of the Company's XMs.	
14		Office Furniture	(XM-1)
15		Transportation Equipment	(XM-2)
16		Stores Equipment	(XM-3)
17		Shop Equipment	(XM-4)
18		Laboratory and Test Equipment	(XM-5)
19		Tools & Work Equipment	(XM-6)
20		Miscellaneous Equipment	(XM-7)
21		Communication Equipment	(XM-8)
22		Computer Equipment	(XM-10)

- Q. Will all of the XM Categories be discussed in this
 testimony?
- A. No. XM8 and XM10 will be discussed in the IT
 Testimony. All other categories will be discussed in
 this testimony.
- 6 Q. Please generally describe the nature of and need for7 General Equipment.
- General Equipment represents the tools and work 8 Α. 9 equipment necessary and critical for employees to 10 perform their day-to-day job functions. It includes, 11 among other items, desks for offices, bucket trucks for overhead operations, shelving for store rooms, 12 13 equipment for testing before entering manholes, jack 14 hammers to break the street to locate underground 15 equipment, safety hoists for entering underground structures, and radio frequency ("RF") equipment for 16 employees to communicate. 17

More specifically, the following example illustrates the vital role General Equipment plays and how it is interwoven into the Company's daily operations from the standpoint of reliability, efficiency and safety. An underground splicing crew requires, in addition to splicing equipment such as a propane torch, a van (XM-

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2) to deploy the crew to the site. A mandatory rescue
 device (XM-7) is setup for employee safety before
 entering the structure. The actual work of splicing
 the cable requires the mechanic to use various cutter
 and crimper equipment (XM-6) to install the new
 section of cable.

7 Replacement for General Equipment is driven by normal 8 wear and tear, changing operational requirements, and 9 changes in technology, among other factors, and is 10 intended to provide Company employees the tools 11 necessary to complete their tasks in a safe and 12 efficient manner.

Q. Please discuss the manner in which General Equipmentrequirements are developed.

A. To begin, the Company has identified organizations
that act as Control Agencies to meet corporate
standards for quality and compatibility for this
equipment and also provide for economies of scale in
purchasing this capital equipment.

20 Q. Please explain how the General Equipment budgeting21 process works.

A. On an annual basis, each Control Agency developsprojected costs for each XM category for which it is

1 responsible. With the exception of XM-2 (which is 2 explained further in this testimony), the projected spending levels are based on the Company's historical 3 4 needs for such equipment and the budget review process in which each organization forecasts its future 5 б capital equipment needs. During the budget process, each Control Agency requests that user organizations 7 provide expected equipment needs. An equipment list, 8 9 which includes prices, is provided to user 10 organizations to assist them in developing their 11 expected General Equipment requirements. 12 The user organizations notify their respective Control 13 Agencies of their expected needs by XM category for 14 the upcoming period. The appropriate Control Agencies 15 review the submissions and compile all the requests. What occurs once the Control Agencies have developed 16 Q. the overall XM budget? 17 18 Projects are prioritized via a Capital Optimization Α. 19 methodology that helps to identify an optimal 20 portfolio of projects that closely align with the 21 Company's strategic goals. The Company has 22 established a set of strategic drivers, each with relative weights based on long-term objectives, that 23

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1 are used to prioritize all projects on a consistent 2 basis. We measure the General Equipment categories by 3 the strategic drivers in order to aligned them to the 4 Company's strategic objectives. The strategic assessment of each project is then presented to each 5 б user organization's Capital Optimization Team for approval. After the assessment of all projects is 7 approved, we perform a prioritization analysis using 8 9 optimization software and generate an optimized 10 portfolio.

Q. Once the portfolio is optimized, what occurs next?
A. The Common Governance Committee ("CGC")reviews the "Common" capital budget, which is essentially all the XM categories as well as the many projects discussed in this testimony as well as some IT projects in other testimonies.

17 Q. What does the CGC do?

18 A. The CGC is comprised of officers that review and19 maintain oversight of Common capital expenditures.

They review the initial budget and then meet quarterly to review the status of all the projects in the Common portfolio. The CGC reviews and approves projects

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1		included in the Common budget, including XMs, before
2		it is formally incorporated into the budget.
3	Q.	Once the list of needed equipment is finalized, what
4		do the Control Agencies do?
5	A.	Each Control Agency issues purchase requisitions for
6		the category of General Equipment for which it is
7		responsible throughout the year. The Control Agency
8		is required to standardize the equipment purchased to
9		maintain quality, reliability and the safety of the
10		employees using the equipment. This function also
11		involves the aggregation of General Equipment
12		purchases to allow for the most competitive pricing.
13		For example, Facilities and Field Services provides a
14		listing of transportation equipment that can be
15		purchased such as cars, trucks, and mini-vans.
16	Q.	What is the Company projecting for General Equipment
17		expenditure levels over RY1 through RY3?
18	A.	We project the following capital expenditures:
19		• RY1 - \$49.4 million
20		• RY2 - \$49.4 million
21		• RY3 - \$49.4 million
22	Q.	Have you prepared an exhibit entitled "General
23		Equipment" that explains each category of General

1 Equipment and detailing projected expenditures for XM General Equipment and Corporate Instruction CI-610-1? 2 3 Yes. Α. Was this exhibit prepared under your direction and 4 Q. 5 supervision? 6 Α. Yes, it was. 7 MARK FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBIT ____ (SSP-1) What does this Exhibit show? 8 Ο. 9 This Exhibit shows the expenditures for each category Α. 10 of General Equipment from RY1 through RY3. Why is the spending in these years lower than what was 11 Q. 12 historically spent? 13 The budgets in RY1 through RY3 are lower than Α. 14 historical spend as the Company has already addressed 15 the general equipment needs for the additional employees previously added to Gas Operations. 16 Additionally, each year the CGC committee prioritizes 17 18 projects, and as a result the XM budgets for RY1 19 through RY3 have been reduced with some of that 20 funding transferred to capital projects such as 21 building, safety and environmental, and critical upgrade projects. 22

1	Q.	Please explain the increased expenditure in 2017 in
2		the XM-1 budget.
3	Α.	In 2017, increases in XM-1 expenditure occurred
4		because of the additional furniture purchased to
5		increase per floor occupancy in renovated spaces at 4
6		Irving Place.
7		XM-1, XM-3, XM-5, XM-6 and XM-7
8	Q.	Please describe the categories of equipment controlled
9		by Facilities and Field Services.
10	A.	Facilities and Field Services is the Control Agency
11		for Office Furniture (XM-1), Stores Equipment (XM-3),
12		Laboratory Equipment (XM-5), Tools and Work Equipment
13		(XM-6), and Miscellaneous Equipment (XM-7).
14		Transportation Equipment (XM-2) will be discussed in
15		the next section.
16		The XM-1 budget category purchases chairs, desks,
17		workstations, modular office partitions, and other
18		general office furniture.
19		The XM-3 budget category replaces warehouse and
20		material handling equipment, including storage bins,
21		pallet racks, pipe racks, shelving, and
22		strapping/wrapping equipment. This equipment is used
23		in the central warehouse/distribution facility and

1 regional storerooms to operate and maintain materials 2 and supplies for distribution to the electric, gas, 3 and steam operating groups, and other Company 4 organizations. The Company maintains a central warehouse to provide materials needed in the routine 5 maintenance and construction of the Company's б electric, gas, and steam transmission and distribution 7 systems and infrastructure. It also operates 8 9 approximately fifteen smaller satellite locations at 10 various major workout centers. Some of the key 11 satellite locations are located at Van Nest (Bronx), College Point Boulevard (Queens), Third Avenue Yard 12 13 (Brooklyn), and Neptune Avenue (Brooklyn). 14 Ο. Please continue. The XM-5 budget category replaces both laboratory and 15 Α. 16 testing equipment. Please describe laboratory and testing equipment. 17 Ο. 18 Laboratory and testing equipment includes volt meters, Α. 19 gas detectors, recorders, test boxes, and pressure 20 gauges. These devices are used by field forces to 21 test and evaluate electric, gas, and steam system

22 components, including gas levels in the atmosphere

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when a worker descends into a manhole or around
 excavations.

3 Q. What is in the XM-6 budget?

4 The XM-6 budget category is designated for the Α. 5 replacement of tools and equipment, including portable б pumps, chainsaws, and hydraulic jacks, pneumatic hammers, parts washers, and tire repair equipment. 7 These devices are used by field forces to assist in 8 9 the installation, repair and maintenance of electric, 10 gas, and steam system components as well as for the 11 repair of fleet vehicles. This category also includes devices that are critical to the life and safety of 12 13 our employees, such as the safety lifting devices that 14 allow employees who are overcome in a confined space 15 to be lifted out by fellow employees from above, and Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus and Respirators 16 with escape bottles to allow employees to enter 17 18 underground structures and confined spaces when the atmosphere is unable to support human life. 19

20 Q. Please continue.

A. The XM-7 budget category represents the Company's
miscellaneous equipment, such as, safety and training
equipment, fire protection, and audio visual and

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1 photographic equipment, which includes security 2 cameras and recorders and cafeteria and kitchen 3 equipment. 4 What is the procedure or process associated with the Q. replacement requirements for XM-1, XM-3, XM-5, XM-6, 5 б and XM-7 categories? We typically replace items covered under the XM-1, XM-7 Α. 8 3, XM-5, XM-6, and XM-7 categories when they are 9 deemed beyond economical repair. In the past, tools 10 and equipment have also been replaced due to procedure 11 and/or specification changes. These changes are 12 usually initiated by the operating departments due to 13 operating or work practice changes and can be related 14 to new tasks, or improvements in safety, quality or 15 productivity. 16 Ο. Can you provide an example of these changes? Yes. One example is the replacement of retrieval 17 Α. 18 devices and was implemented as recently as October 2018. The retrieval devices included in the XM-6 19 20 budget are used as rescue and material handling 21 apparatus for our field crews that work in enclosed 22 spaces. The units are positioned over manholes and 23 vaults and are used as lifting devices. The existing

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devices were improved based upon feedback from the field. The Environmental Health and Safety ("EH&S") and Engineering organizations improved the device by making specification changes to the unit. The new devices offer improved ergonomics and durability over the present units.

Please explain the ramifications if the Company is 7 Q. unable to acquire and have available the replacement 8 9 tools, equipment and furniture in these categories. 10 Α. The current inventory of tools, equipment and 11 furniture would need to be maintained beyond their 12 useful life and it is likely that personnel would not 13 be using the most up-to-date equipment. This may 14 result in increased maintenance and repair costs on 15 older equipment and in potential delays to the operating organizations. In addition, if the Company 16 is unable to acquire tools and equipment with 17 18 technology improvements, such as noise reduction and ergonomics, this could potentially have an adverse 19 20 effect on employee safety.

The XM-7 category includes equipment such as portable respirator mask fit testing devices to test for leaks when conditions require employees to wear respirators,

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1		and replacement security cameras and recorders at
2		workout locations and substations.
3	Q.	Do the projected spending levels included in this case
4		reflect any efforts by the Company to minimize
5		expenditures for these tools, equipment and furniture?
6	A.	Yes. We evaluate tools, equipment, and furniture
7		before replacing them; only those that are deemed un-
8		repairable or uneconomic to repair are replaced,
9		except when the equipment is purchased due to
10		operating or work practice changes requiring a new
11		type of device. As a general practice, desks, chairs,
12		and office partitions are reused within the Company
13		whenever possible. In addition, the majority of
14		contracts used to purchase new tools, equipment and
15		furniture are competitively bid and, where possible,
16		XM orders are consolidated to take advantage of volume
17		discounts.
18	Q.	What is the projected spending in RY1 through RY3 for
19		these General Equipment categories (XM-1, XM-3, XM-5,
20		XM-6, and $XM-7$)?
21	Α.	The projected spending levels for these General
22		Equipment categories is \$9.0 million in RY1, \$9.0
23		million in RY2, and \$9.0 million in RY3. The spending

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1 levels for each separate category are listed in Exhibit __(SSP-1) 2 3 XM-2 Please discuss the next category of XM equipment. 4 Q. 5 The next category is items covered in General Α. б Equipment XM-2, Transportation Equipment. The XM-2 category provides for the purchase of fleet vehicles 7 and equipment, such as trucks, cars, cranes, 8 9 construction equipment and forklifts used throughout 10 our operations. Under this category of expenditures, 11 the Company currently owns approximately 4,300 12 vehicles, including passenger vehicles, bucket trucks 13 and truck-tractors. Factoring in other pieces of 14 mobile equipment, like backhoes, forklifts and 15 trailers used to move equipment and materials, the Company owns over 5,000 pieces of rolling equipment. 16 This figure includes highway, non-highway powered 17 18 equipment, trailers and mounted equipment for tracking purposes. Exhibit ___ (SSP-1) sets forth projected 19 20 XM-2 expenditures related to the replacement of 21 existing equipment.

1	Q.	Please describe the manner in which the Company
2		develops budgets for General Equipment XM-2
3		"Transportation Equipment" .
4	Α.	The Company selects for replacement fleet vehicles and
5		equipment based on age, utilization, maintenance
б		costs, and reliability. The Company maintains a
7		database of these assets, their associated operating
8		costs and pre-established lifecycle target. Annually,
9		the Company identifies vehicles and other equipment
10		that are at or beyond their lifecycle target for the
11		specified budget year. This serves as a starting
12		point for vehicle replacement decisions. The Company
13		uses its judgment and experience, as well as case-by-
14		case evaluations of certain assets, in making
15		replacement decisions.
16	Q.	Can you please explain in more detail the methodology
17		employed for that review?
18	Α.	We develop pre-established lifecycles for all vehicle
19		specifications using factors related to capital costs,
20		residual values, cost of maintenance and asset
21		utilization over the life of a representative asset to
22		determine an appropriate point at which it makes
23		financial sense to replace such asset. We use this

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1 methodology to determine the most economical point to 2 replace an asset rather than endure increasing 3 maintenance costs and reduced reliability that would 4 adversely impact our ability to respond to the maintenance of the T&D system. The lifecycle analysis 5 б also takes into account the change in maintenance costs as the asset ages. This optimizes the Company's 7 overall cost to own and maintain these assets and 8 9 identifies the optimum time to replace a deteriorating 10 asset.

How is that analysis used to budget from year to year? 11 Q. 12 The Company maintains a table of various asset-types Α. 13 and their ideal/economic replacement age (pre-14 established life cycle target). This is a starting 15 point and is further refined by looking at the specific assets chosen as candidates for replacement. 16 Based on that review, the Company may either retain an 17 18 asset that has performed better than its peer group or accelerate the replacement of an asset that is 19 20 performing below its peer group. 21 Do all fleet vehicles have similar established life-

Q. Do all fleet vehicles have similar established life-cycles?

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1	Α.	No. We establish lifecycles by spec code and they
2		vary depending on factors such as vehicle usage,
3		complexity, and application. For example, a utility
4		truck in Manhattan used seven days a week for three
5		shifts could be replaced before an older vehicle in
6		Westchester that has two shifts of usage in a typical
7		week.
8	Q.	What would be the ramifications of not meeting the
9		purchase requirements in the XM-2 category?
10	Α.	The cost to operate fleet vehicles and equipment
11		beyond its economic life compounds if not replaced at
12		an optimal point in its lifecycle. Over time, we have
13		found that the cost to maintain this equipment can
14		rise substantially in a short period of time if the
15		replacement of equipment is deferred or delayed.
16		Reduced spending on replacement equipment would result
17		in older and less reliable fleet vehicles and
18		equipment being kept in service. Vehicle availability
19		may also be impacted, and in some cases, equipment
20		would age beyond our ability to purchase replacement
21		parts. The consequence of this would be the
22		introduction of an adverse effect on operating
23		personnel's ability to respond to emergencies and to

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1 peform routine maintenance and necessary construction 2 projects. The Company cannot operate vehicles, such 3 as red wagons, flush trucks, or bucket trucks that are 4 not road worthy or capable of performing their functions. If adequate numbers of vehicles are not 5 б available, responses to system equipment failures, storm and weather related events and other emergent 7 conditions could adversely affect customer restoration 8 9 time. 10 While some vehicles can feasibly be maintained longer 11 than the life-cycle would suggest with "average" 12 performance, some critical equipment can begin to 13 suffer structural failures due to age. The 14 catastrophic mechanical failure of bucket-trucks, 15 cable-pulling equipment, heavy trucks and cranes, for example, could result in damage to equipment and 16 injuries to operators and the public. 17 18 Do the proposed spending levels include any cost Ο. 19 reduction efforts? 20 Yes, the Company's Transportation group annually Α. 21 evaluates the process for determining vehicle 22 replacement described earlier. In some cases, 23 Transportation employees have been able to work with

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manufacturers and engineers to improve maintenance 1 designs and remove common causes of failures. 2 For 3 instance, Transportation continues to purchase flush 4 trucks designed to eliminate several high priced components while incorporating a simpler more 5 б efficient water heating system and hydraulic drive system which reduces the overall procurement cost. 7 These improved designs have reduced maintenance costs 8 9 by eliminating known high maintenance components. And 10 finally, by competitively bidding large contracts to 11 multiple vendors, negotiating volume discounts with 12 the major Original Equipment Manufacturers and 13 establishing multi-year agreements the Company 14 leverages its buying power by reducing up-front costs. 15 Transportation also employs qualified mechanics who 16 use the appropriate technology to effectively diagnose and repair equipment. We believe that these factors 17 18 reduce initial cost and maintenance, all of which translate into being able to prolong the life of our 19 20 assets and/or maximize the effect of our capital 21 replacement programs. In addition, we continue to 22 monitor and analyze the fleet size and seek fleet 23 reduction opportunities.

1	Q.	What is the projected spending from RY1 to RY3 for XM-
2		2?
3	A.	We project to spend \$40.0 million in RY1, \$40.0
4		million in RY2, and \$40.0 million in RY3.
5		ХМ-4
6	Q.	Please describe the category of equipment known as XM-
7		4.
8	A.	This is the Shop Equipment category. The equipment
9		includes floor grinders, lathes, milling machines,
10		welding equipment, drill presses, jib cranes and
11		hoists, and specialized equipment to repair network
12		transformers and switch gear equipment.
13	Q.	Please describe how the budget is designed for XM-4 $$
14		equipment and what the basis is for the equipment
15		requirement and use.
16	A.	The XM-4 Budget replaces Shop Equipment at the Van
17		Nest Shops Operations Facility, the Transformer Shop
18		in Astoria, and the Electric Operations Metering
19		Facility located at Van Dam Street in Long Island
20		City. The equipment requirement is based upon work
21		load, which includes emergency fabrication of
22		specialized parts, such as obsolete motor and pump
23		seals, wear rings for pumps, and bushings; substation

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1		bus bars, bushings, tap changer items, bus duct, and
2		disconnect switches; Compressed Natural Gas ("CNG")
3		bypass equipment, cutting and taping tools, and
4		regulator stations; and steam turbine and generator
5		seals, blades, and bearings. The mentioned facilities
б		support the electric distribution operations, Power
7		Generation/Steam Plant equipment, Gas Transmission and
8		distribution equipment, and Substation operations.
9		For example, under XM-4, tools and equipment have been
10		used to make repairs to feeder pipe lines, fabricating
11		gas regulating stations, and repairs to disconnect
12		switches and circuit breakers.
13		Failing to perform this support work could have an
14		adverse impact on delivery time of repairs and
15		fabricating new parts, and returning
16		generation/distribution equipment to service.
17	Q.	What are some of the planned equipment replacements
18		for Van Nest's Shop Operations from RY1 through RY3?
19	Α.	For the next three years we plan on replacing a
20		computerized Numerical Control ("CNC") milling
21		machine, a large horizontal boring machine and two
22		manual lathes.

- Q. Describe the types of equipment recently purchased in
 XM-4?
- A. In 2016 we completed the purchase of a hydraulic shear
 and a heavy duty bending break. We also performed the
 foundation and electrical work for the installation of
 these machines. We purchased four band saws,
- including a very large one. In 2017 we purchased a
 CNC lathe, a CNC five axis machine and three manual
 lathes. In 2018 we purchased an abrasive water jet
 cutting machine and completed the installation of the
 CNC lathe and five axis machine.
- 12 Q. How much do you plan to spend from RY1 to RY3 in this13 category?
- 14 A. We expect to spend approximately \$0.4 million annually15 from RY1 through RY3 for XM-4 equipment.
- 16 Q. Do the projected spending levels included in this case17 reflect any efforts by the Company to minimize

18 expenditures for this equipment?

- 19 A. Yes, the equipment purchased with the XM-4 budget is20 procured through the Company's Supply Chain
- 21 organization, which employs a bidding process for
- 22 vendors on pricing of pieces of specialized equipment.
- 23 This process can yield lower prices for equipment, and

1		in some cases, cost savings can be acquired through
2		combining the purchase of multiple pieces of equipment
3		through a single vendor.
4	Q.	Can you explain the discrepancies in the prior five
5		years and the projected five years?
6	A.	Yes. The amount spent during the past five years
7		included substantial upgrades to our machine tools.
8		Many of the machines that we replaced were over 20
9		years old, were difficult to obtain replacement parts
10		for and our maintenance costs were increasing. Most
11		of the older large and high maintenance equipment has
12		been replaced. We anticipate some upgrades to our
13		shop in the next five years but at a reduced expense
14		from the previous five years.
15		III. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
16	Q.	Please describe the R&D organization.
17	A.	The R&D organization conducts R&D efforts for both Con
18		Edison and O&R. R&D is organized by energy commodity,
19		with an emphasis on projects that further the
20		Company's objectives: (1) reduce risk and enhance
21		public and employee safety; (2) increase operational
22		performance and flexibility; and (3) enhance customer
23		experience and engagement. R&D, guided by corporate

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1		goals and objectives, and in consultation with other
2		Company organizations, determines priorities, and
3		develops the portfolio.
4	Q.	What is the purpose of Con Edison's R&D program?
5	Α.	Con Edison's energy systems require continual
6		modernization and reinforcement at all levels,
7		including transmission and distribution. R&D assesses
8		projects that take into account the aspects that are
9		unique to our system, such as the significant
10		population and energy infrastructure density of the
11		Company's service area. Energy infrastructure density
12		refers to the significant underground urban congestion
13		of high-load density, large underground secondary
14		network electric systems, and the multi-layered
15		underground infrastructure of gas and steam pipes.
16		This, in addition to their close proximity to water
17		lines, telecommunication lines, sewer piping, subway
18		infrastructure, and vehicular infrastructure, make any
19		improvement or repair more complicated and time
20		consuming.
21	Q.	Why does the Company itself undertake R&D?
22	Α.	It has been the Company's experience that
23		manufacturers are not willing to unilaterally develop

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1 technologies for challenges unique to the Company 2 without any broader market potential. In order to 3 stimulate development, the Company has found that it 4 needs to fund research in its various sectors, often 5 through full-scale demonstrations and pilot programs, б in collaboration with partners where possible, to prove feasibility for concepts of value to the Company 7 and its customers. 8 Are there associated consequences to working in New 9 Ο.

10 York City streets that influence R&D projects? The New York City Department of Transportation 11 Α. Yes. 12 ("DOT") prefers that the Company limit street 13 excavation to periods that are less impactful on 14 pedestrians and vehicles, including working at night 15 or on weekends, and under heightened noise restrictions. Also, due to New York City's 16 installation of bike lanes and expanded pedestrian 17 18 areas, the reduction of available vehicular lanes puts even further limitations on the opening up of streets 19 20 to access the Company's energy systems. As a result of these constraints, the Company is working both on 21 22 its own and with others to develop trenchless 23 technology, which refers to the repair or

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rehabilitation of energy infrastructure without the 1 2 need to excavate. 3 Was a document, entitled "Shared Services - Research & Q. 4 Development - O&M and Capital, " Exhibit ___(SSP-2), prepared under your direction and supervision? 5 б Α. Yes, it was. 7 MARK FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBIT ____(SSP-2) Is Con Edison projecting a change in R&D expenditures 8 0. 9 for RY1, RY2, and RY3 in relation to the level of 10 expenditures in the twelve months ending September 30, 2018 ("Historic Year")? 11 Yes. We are requesting an increase of \$100,000 in RY1 12 Α. 13 and \$300,000 in RY3 in the overall R&D funding level 14 required to accomplish the work in the R&D portfolio. 15 The ratio of spending between the gas and electric 16 commodities will also change, with an increase in the 17 electric commodity spend and a decrease in the gas 18 commodity spend. Additional detail is provided in Exhibit___(SSP-2). 19 How is the R&D portfolio developed? 20 Q. 21 The R&D portfolio is developed and prioritized in Α. 22 conjunction with the operating organizations. R&D's

23 program is a combination of research undertaken

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1		collaboratively with external entities as well as
2		projects developed and conducted internally. In
3		addition to evaluating past successes and/or failures,
4		the portfolio is continually refined to recognize new
5		challenges to Company operations, to better define new
б		needs - for example, improving resiliency - and
7		planning and operational needs for integrating
8		Distributed Energy Resources ("DERs") such as
9		distributed generation, storage, building management
10		systems.
11	Q.	Please explain how Con Edison's R&D portfolio is
12		established and managed.
13	A.	The first step in the process is to determine whether
14		a project meets the New York State Public Service
15		Commission's definition of R&D. An analysis of each
16		potential project is undertaken, with expected
17		advantages reviewed against financial resources
18		required for successful project development. The
19		analysis considers:
20		(1) The probability of achieving success in a
21		reasonable time period;
22		(2) the benefits of conducting the project(s),
23		both qualitative and quantitative;

(3) the cost of deploying the project if the
 research is successful.

3 These and other metrics, such as risk mitigation, are 4 used to select and prioritize projects. Electric, Gas and Steam R&D activities, and their programs and 5 б budgets, are concurrently developed and reviewed to avoid possible duplications and to identify potential 7 synergies with other R&D programs. There are, for 8 9 example, potential synergies across commodities for 10 EH&S tools, inspection techniques, damage assessment, 11 weather impact, sensors and communications. Emphasis 12 is placed on projects that show near and mid-term 13 benefits, as well as long-term solutions. The project 14 list is then reviewed and approved with senior 15 management.

16 Q. How often is the portfolio reviewed?

A. The R&D portfolio is reviewed on an annual basis to
assess potential projects, both those already
authorized and new concepts.

20 Q. Have there been successful R&D projects through the 21 years?

1	Α.	Yes.	The Company has a long history of successful R&D
2		proj	ect completions. Projects that have improved our
3		Elec	tric operations include:
4		1.	The "Distributed Generation Quick Connect Plug"
5			electric R&D project successfully developed and
б			demonstrated a device that enhances the method of
7			connecting generators to the secondary grid
8			during a cascading event. By developing and
9			installing the Distribution Generation ("DG")
10			Plug at pre-determined locations, crews will be
11			able to connect generators without splicing in a
12			shorter timeframe. This will help with customer
13			restoration efforts and be more cost effective by
14			reducing the amount of cable splicing performed
15			by the crews.
16		2.	The "Structure Monitoring System" electric R&D
17			project successfully developed and demonstrated a
18			cost effective manhole monitoring system that can
19			report back information such as the presence of
20			elevated temperature, combustible gases and
21			contact voltage. In 2017 the Company installed
22			approximately 1,000 Structure Observation System
23			("SOS") units in critical Metropolitan Transit

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Authority ("MTA") structures, collecting data 1 2 points from these structures. We have also 3 collected many non-communicating units and analyzed their mode of failure to make further 4 improvement to the SOS design to withstand the 5 б harsh underground environment. We finalized a new SOS Generation 1.5 design, which includes 7 more sensors for better detection of conditions 8 9 in our underground. The major additions are 10 longer battery capacity, infrared camera module, power harvesting input, improved gas intake 11 12 design, and three external sensor inputs 13 (salinity, ground temperature and contact 14 voltage). 15 3. The Company successfully pilot tested a meter 16 collar, installed between the electric meter socket and the meter, which will facilitate the 17 18 installation of customer sited distributed energy 19 resource ("DER") and will also provide DER 20 production data. The meter collar reduces

21 customer costs for DER interconnection, including 22 possible avoidance of service upgrades to the 23 customer's main service panel. The DER

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1		production data will enable new opportunities for
2		customer engagement such as shadow billing, other
3		energy insights, and support for bill dispute
4		resolution. The Company in 2018 has been
5		installing these meter collars at customer DER
6		locations in Staten Island along with the
7		Advanced Metering Infrastructure ("AMI") meter
8		installations there.
9	4.	The "Technoeconomic Analysis of Electric Rail
10		Regenerative Braking Benefit to Electric Power
11		System" successfully studied and determined the
12		technical and economic feasibility of the
13		recuperation of rail regenerative braking energy.
14		The MTA consumes approximately 2,150 GWh per year
15		for traction power, and MTA New York City Transit
16		alone consumes about 80% of the total annual MTA
17		energy consumption. Today, only a small portion
18		of the regenerative braking energy by MTA trains
19		is recovered, contributing to supplying the train
20		auxiliary loads and equipment, e.g. the onboard
21		air-conditioning system. A subsequent project
22		will investigate the optimal recuperation of rail
23		regenerative braking energy.

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1	Q.	Pleas	se describe some recent successful gas projects
2		condu	acted under the current program.
3	Α.	Succe	essful gas R&D projects include the following:
4		1.	A natural gas dispersion study to understand how
5			natural gas in a typical apartment's kitchen
6			environment migrates through the room in order to
7			understand the best placement for a residential
8			methane detector and to evaluate the benefits of
9			lowering the minimum alarm level of the
10			Underwriter Laboratories standard governing
11			residential methane detectors from 25% of the
12			lower explosive limit ("LEL") to 10% LEL.
13		2.	Development of a prototype Emergency Main Shut-
14			Off System ("EMSOS") for a large diameter, low-
15			pressure metallic mains to serve as an alternate
16			to installing shut-off valves. The EMSOS
17			stations will be placed in strategic locations in
18			the distribution system in order to provide a
19			lower cost alternative to installing isolation
20			valves and will be available to provide for main
21			isolation during emergencies.
22		3.	Performed demonstration project of the Picarro
23			Surveyor technology as a means of using

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1		advancements in leak detection technology for
2		leak surveys while also seeking to minimize
3		emissions of natural gas from the gas system.
4		4. Developed a prototype ground frost monitoring
5		station that measures and forecasts the depth of
6		frost, which determines the performance of gas
7		leak survey patrols over cast iron mains when a
8		frost condition exists.
9	Q.	Are all R&D projects successful?
10	A.	No. Because of the nature of R&D, some projects do
11		not result in a successful product. To address that
12		challenge, most projects are conducted in phases to
13		reduce the risk from overcommitting resources in
14		advance, allowing one phase to be completed before
15		committing resources, or not, to the next phase of the
16		project. However, the Company can never be sure of
17		the final outcome for any R&D project.
18	Q.	You mentioned that the Company works collaboratively
19		with others, please describe the Company's
20		collaborative research efforts.
21	A.	For projects where the Company shares a common
22		interest with others in the industry, the Company
23		works with various utilities, industry, government,

1 academia, and private organizations to conceptualize 2 and develop new products. 3 Please name some of the groups that the Company Q. collaborates with in the electric area. 4 5 In the electric area, the Company works with the Α. Electric Power Research Institute ("EPRI"), New York 6 State Energy Research and Development Authority 7 ("NYSERDA"), the Center for Energy Advancement through 8 9 Technological Innovation ("CEATI"), the National 10 Electric Energy Testing, Research & Applications Center ("NEETRAC"), and the New York Battery and 11 Energy Storage Consortium ("NY-BEST"). 12 13 Can you please further describe some of the mentioned Q. 14 organizations, such as EPRI, CEATI, NEETRAC and NY-15 BEST? 16 Α. EPRI works on the generation, delivery, and use of electricity for the benefit of the public. It is an 17 18 independent, nonprofit organization that brings together scientists and engineers as well as experts 19 20 from academia and the industry to help address 21 challenges in electricity. 22 CEATI is a user-driven organization committed to

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providing technology solutions to its electrical

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utility participants, who are brought together to
 collaborate and act jointly to advance the industry
 through the sharing and developing of practical and
 applicable knowledge.

NEETRAC is a membership-based organization within the 5 б School of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Georgia Tech, which focuses on electric energy 7 delivery and provides a wide array of analytical, 8 9 engineering, research, and testing services to help 10 improve electric grid reliability and efficiency. 11 NY-BEST was created to position New York State as a 12 global leader in energy storage technology, including 13 applications in transportation, grid storage, and 14 power electronics. It serves as an important 15 connector for all stakeholders including 16 manufacturers, academic institutions, utilities, 17 technology and materials developers, start-ups, 18 government entities, engineering firms, systems integrators, end-users, and policy makers encompassing 19 20 all stages of energy storage product development and 21 use.

1		R&D - Electric
2	Q.	Please provide an example of collaborative research
3		for the electric sector.
4	A.	Con Edison initiated a project with EPRI in 2017 to
5		test a super capacitor technology that has the
б		potential to support high power and long duration
7		applications. As part of the study project, EPRI and
8		Con Edison will independently evaluate the vendor's
9		super capacitor energy storage and inverter control
10		technology while simultaneously conducting site
11		preparation and analysis for an onsite demonstration
12		project at Con Edison's headquarters in Manhattan.
13		Benefits that this specific energy storage technology
14		solution can potentially offer include:
15		• High efficiency reduces energy required during
16		charge/discharge cycle, and lowers operating cost
17		of storage;
18		• Negligible heat generation during battery
19		operation eliminates the need for installing
20		energy intensive cooling systems, therefore
21		delivering energy savings;
22		• High cycle life and efficiency allow for peak
23		shaving of rapid peaking load profiles - reducing

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1		peak demand on the grid and increasing network
2		capacity utilization;
3		• Fast ramping support to mitigate the impact of
4		solar generation on system load profiles;
5		• Support of renewable based power to remote
6		locations and end-of-grid locations where the
7		standard wires based solution is more expensive
8		or time consuming.
9		R&D - Gas
10	Q.	Please describe the Company's collaborative research
11		efforts in the gas sector.
12	Α.	Con Edison works extensively with three research
13		collaboratives that include other gas companies in the
14		U.S. and Canada. These collaboratives are NYSEARCH,
15		which began in New York, and Operations Technology
16		Development ("OTD") and the Sustained Membership
17		Program ("SMP") that are both part of the Gas
18		Technology Institute ("GTI"). NYSEARCH and OTD both
19		consist of member gas companies, some of which are
20		members of both groups, such as Con Edison. The
21		Company also works with the American Gas Association
22		("AGA") as well as the United States Department of
23		Transportation Pipeline of Hazardous Materials Safety

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1 Administration ("PHMSA"). In addition, R&D staff 2 maintains regular contact with other utilities, gas 3 trade groups, universities, and technology developers as a further source for new ideas. 4 Please provide some examples of collaborative research 5 Ο. б for the gas sector. Working collaboratively with NYSEARCH, fifteen 7 Α. 8 utilities throughout the nation and several government 9 agencies over a nearly fifteen-year period, the 10 EXPLORER robots have been developed for in-line inspection of our gas transmission mains. 11 These 12 robotic tools enable the inspection of un-piggable 13 transmission mains without disruption in service. Un-14 piggable mains are those that are designed with plug 15 valves and/or complex pipe bends that make the use of standard in-line inspection tools impossible. 16 In addition, we have researched the advancement of 17 18 residential methane detectors, and the development of non-destructive inspection and repair technology for 19 20 the Company's polyethylene distribution 21 infrastructure. The collaborative members for these 22 projects are GTI through its OTD program, NYSEARCH, 23 and AGA.

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1	Q.	Please describe the Company's internal R&D program.
2	A.	Con Edison's internal R&D program primarily focuses on
3		problems that are unique to the Company's system. The
4		program also focuses on the development of selected
5		products that the Company may need to deploy in a
6		timeframe that is earlier than that required by others
7		in our industry, such as advanced methane detectors.
8	Q.	Does the Company have internal programs for electric
9		and gas systems?
10	A.	Yes. Each area has a program that combines the
11		collaborative groups as well as internal projects that
12		we are developing in-house. The internal programs are
13		discussed in "Shared Services - Research & Development
14		- O&M and Capital," Exhibit(SSP-2).
15	Q.	Is R&D funding currently subject to a reconciliation
16		mechanism?
17	A.	Yes, under the current Gas Rate Plan, Gas R&D funding
18		is subject to a downward-only reconciliation
19		mechanism.
20	Q.	Is the Company proposing that Gas R&D expenditures
21		continue to be subject to reconciliation during the
22		Rate Year?
23	A.	No.

1 Q. Please explain why.

2	Α.	The Company does not believe that there is a
3		reasonable basis for subjecting this individual
4		element of Company expense to reconciliation and
5		certainly not to downward-only reconciliation. A
6		downward reconciliation of these programs has long
7		lasting implications on our ability to pursue
8		technological advancements by reducing funding for
9		future efforts due to short term decline in
10		expenditures.
11	Q.	Didn't the Company propose, along with other signatory

12 parties, downward-only reconciliation for Gas R&D 13 expenses as part of the Joint Proposal made to the 14 Commission in those prior rate cases?

15 A. Yes. The Company agreed to this provision as part of
16 the give-and-take of the gas rate settlement process.
17 However, downward-only reconciliation is particularly
18 unreasonable when setting rates for a single year.

19 Q. Please explain why.

A. R&D's estimate of expenditures for gas is subject to
variation as a result of unanticipated events and
opportunities during the course of the Rate Year. A
downward-only reconciliation mechanism fails to

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1 recognize that there is a reasonable likelihood that 2 actual R&D expenses in any one year can be higher than forecasted and that it is in the customers' interest 3 4 for the Company to make such expenditures to take advantage of R&D opportunities. The current 5 mechanism, which is applicable to a multi-year period, б provides some recognition of the annual variability of 7 such expenditures by permitting the Company to 8 9 accommodate the uncertainties inherent in undertaking 10 and managing R&D projects. A one-year, downward-only 11 reconciliation for gas projects would fail to address 12 this annual variability in a reasonable manner.

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Knowledge Management System

14 Q. Does the Company have an information management system 15 to help manage the abundant R&D knowledge that has been accumulated over the years across the enterprise? 16 Currently we do not. We are proposing to develop and 17 Α. 18 implement a R&D Knowledge Management System ("KMS"). The KMS will support knowledge transfer of R&D 19 20 expertise and expedite the innovation process in the 21 Company. The KMS functionalities will include the 22 ability to query across information repositories on 23 corporate servers, mining for information over the

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1 corporate intranet and the Internet, automated 2 categorization of existing and new knowledge for 3 faster retrieval and mining, a scalable knowledge 4 warehouse that stores the content and metadata of existing and future R&D or related documents, the 5 ability to capture and manage tacit knowledge of б experts and their experiences, and maintenance of a 7 knowledge directory that links people to knowledge 8 9 (*i.e.*, who knows what). In addition, the KMS will 10 have the ability to track all R&D spending throughout the Company for R&D tax credit purpose and also 11 12 include a digital workspace for users to collaborate, 13 co-create and innovate while drawing upon the 14 extensive knowledge base provided by the KMS. 15 Estimated capital cost of the KMS is \$1 million. Additional information is provided in the KMS 16 Whitepaper (Exhibit ____(SSP-2). 17 18 Do you propose any changes to the Company's R&D Ο. 19 program? 20 Yes, we propose using the surcharge known as the Α. 21 Millennium Fund to also fund research efforts in the 22 Gas Technology Institute's Utilization Technology 23 Development ("UTD") program that the Company deems

1 appropriate. The Commission authorized the creation 2 of this fund in an Order issued on February 14, 2000 3 in Case 99-G-1369 (February 2000 Order). 4 Please explain why the Company proposes this change in Q. 5 this rate case. 6 Α. The February 2000 Order recommendation on page 7 7 states "Money collected via the surcharge mechanism should not be directed to fund natural gas appliance 8 9 research ***." It further states "An LDC can petition 10 the Commission for waiver of either of these 11 conditions, if it believes that specific circumstances warrant". It has been almost 20 years since the 12 13 Commission issued the February 2000 Order. Much has 14 changed in New York State in that intervening period 15 with respect to both state energy policy as well as 16 natural gas supply. We believe that a waiver is 17 appropriate now and that the categories of R&D 18 programs eligible for funding under the February 2000 Order should be expanded to include natural gas 19 20 appliance programs. Please provide examples of policy and market changes 21 Ο.

22 since the February 2000 Order was issued.

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The R&D funding restriction related to natural gas 1 Α. 2 appliances is no longer consistent with current New 3 York State policy and environmental priorities. When this Order was issued, the view was that appliances 4 are not part of the LDC's distribution system and, 5 therefore, appliance research should not be funded by б distribution ratepayers. Con Edison's Smart Solutions 7 for Natural Gas Customers program and the Commission's 8 approval of some of the demand-side initiatives in the 9 10 Smart Solutions program demonstrates that the 11 Commission now expects utilities to investigate more 12 efficient means to meet what had been customers' 13 traditional peak day natural gas needs, such as 14 heating. Achieving efficiency or enhancing the 15 flexibility of customer peak day demand are means for 16 the Company to displace the need for additional interstate pipeline capacity and investment in 17 18 utilization research can lead to more innovative nonpipe solutions to interstate pipeline capacity. 19 20 Is the Company requesting a change in the Millennium Q. 21 surcharge to fund participation in the UTD Program? 22 No, the Company will use the existing funds collected Α. 23 to also include the UTD Program costs and is not

otherwise requesting additional funds to use in this
 fund.

3	Q.	Is the Company submitting this testimony as a request
4		for waiver of the provision that excludes the use of
5		the Millennium Funds for gas appliance research?
6	A.	Yes, the Company requests that the Commission treats
7		this testimony as its formal request for waiver.
8	Q.	Has the Commission previously permitted the use of
9		Millennium Funds for UTD research?
10	A.	Yes, in National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation's
11		("NFG") 2004 rate proceeding (04-G-1047), the
12		Commission approved rate plan provided that NFG would
13		be permitted to use Millennium Funds for approved end-
14		use energy efficiency programs, not including DG
15		projects, up to a total limit of \$500,000 annually.
16		In addition, in the most recent Keyspan Gas East
17		Corporation D/B/A National Grid ("KEDLI") and the
18		Brooklyn Union Gas Company D/B/A National Grid
19		("KEDNY") rate proceedings KEDLI/KEDNY did not
20		proposal a waiver of the restriction for UTD funding
21		from the Millennium Funds, but proposed to include in
22		rates the cost to fund UTD participation, which the
23		DPS Staff Gas Policy and Supply Panel supported.

1		The Company believes it would be a more efficient use
2		of funds to use the Millennium Fund surcharge by
3		obtaining a waiver instead of requesting separate
4		funds for UTD.
5	Q.	If a waiver is approved, how would the Company report
6		on research activities of the UTD Program?
7	A.	The Company would continue to report as required by
8		the Commission's December 31, 1998 Order in Case 98-G-
9		1304 Order (i.e., the Company would continue to submit
10		reports by April 1 every three years). If the
11		Commission grants the waiver here, we would modify our
12		report to include reporting on the UTD Program.
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1 array of functional responsibilities including: 2 policies and procedures, investigative and tactical 3 response, cyber forensic investigations, electronic 4 security systems, physical security measures, central station monitoring, compliance with governmental and 5 б regulatory initiatives and standards, security awareness training, and regular interaction with law 7 enforcement at every level. We also provide oversight 8 9 and guidance to both Facilities and operating 10 organizations regarding their physical security 11 measures and contract guard services at the various 12 Company locations for which these organizations are 13 responsible.

14 Q. What are the security-related projects that the15 Company is proposing?

16 A. The Company is proposing three capital projects. 17 These are: (1) the replacement of obsolete CCTV 18 cameras throughout the Company; (2) the replacement of 19 obsolete Digital Video Recorders ("DVRs") and Network 20 Video Recorders ("NVRs") throughout the Company, and 21 (3) cyber forensic investigative tools.

Q. What are the forecasted capital expenses for Securityprograms?

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The Company plans to spend approximately \$2 million in 1 Α. 2 RY1, \$2 million in RY2, and \$2 million in RY3 in 3 capital for these security programs. Do you have an exhibit entitled "Shared Services-4 Q. Corporate Security-Capital" detailing the three 5 б capital programs? 7 Α. Yes, exhibits were prepared for the three capital 8 projects under my direction and supervision. 9 MARK FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBIT (SSP-3) 10 Con Edison recognizes its electric, gas and steam systems are a critical component of the infrastructure 11 12 of New York City and Westchester County. To 13 adequately safeguard its facilities, Con Edison 14 continues to incorporate comprehensive security 15 processes to protect the Company, its employees and 16 its physical assets, such as generating stations and 17 substations. Electronic physical security mitigation 18 measures currently implemented consist of CCTV, intrusion detection, card access and DVR equipment. 19 20 We continue to add facilities where we have these 21 systems to our Security Operations Center ("SOC") 22 where they are monitored on a 24x7 basis. This

1		provides a central point for coordinating response
2		protocols for security events and alarms.
3		Camera Rollout Program
4	Q.	Please explain the first capital project being
5		requested.
6	A.	The first capital project replaces old and obsolete
7		CCTV cameras and increases the number of cameras at
8		critical locations. Each year more cameras are added
9		to our network and currently there are almost 1,800
10		cameras connected to the SOC. The industry standard
11		for the useful life of most cameras is seven years,
12		and although we deploy them for a longer period, at
13		some point they are no longer supported by the
14		manufacture, parts are no longer available and they
15		are deemed "beyond economic repair." Corporate
16		Security provides monthly updates regarding the
17		operating status of cameras that are connected to the
18		SOC. Corporate Security is responsible for
19		standardizing and providing subject matter expertise
20		on the most cost-effective CCTV cameras to install.
21		As cameras continue to fail, requiring more servicing,
22		they lose their capability of capturing quality video
23		and even experience total video loss.

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1		Corporate Security intends to systematically replace
2		outdated digital cameras with Internet Protocol ("IP")
3		cameras, which will increase clarity and resolution
4		for investigative purposes.
5	A.	The projected capital cost for the replacement and/or
6		enhancement of old/outdated CCTV cameras is \$1 million
7		annually in RY1, RY2 and RY3.
8	Q.	Do you have an exhibit that provides additional
9		information regarding the CCTV camera replacement
10		project?
11	A.	Yes. Additional information is shown in Exhibit
12		(SSP-3) on the pages entitled "Corporate Security -
13		Companywide Camera Rollout Program."
14		DVR/NVR Replacement
15	Q.	Please explain the second capital project being
16		requested.
17	A.	The Company has over 180 DVRs and NVRs recording the
18		1,800 cameras referred to above. This capital project
19		would replace old and obsolete DVRs/NVRs on a
20		rotational basis each year.
21	Q	How do you select which DVRs/NVRs to replace each

1	Α.	Initially we would replace the DVRs which record older
2		analog cameras with the more technically capable NVRs
3		and then replace the older NVRs by the criticality of
4		the location.
5	Q.	What is the life expectancy of a good quality DVR or
6		NVR?
7	Α.	Under ideal conditions, which take into account
8		temperature and dust control, the life expectancy is
9		five to six years.
10	Q.	What are the projected costs for this program?
11	A.	The projected capital cost for the replacement of old
12		and obsolete DVRs/NVRs is \$900,000 annually in RY1,
13		RY2 and RY3.
14	Q.	Do you have an exhibit that provides additional
15		information regarding the DVR/NVR replacement project?
16	Α.	Yes. Additional information is shown in Exhibit
17		(SSP-3) on the pages entitled "DVR/NVR replacement."
18		Cyber Forensics
19	Q.	Please explain the third capital project being
20		requested.
21	Α.	Corporate Security's cyber forensic investigative team
22		has an operational need to purchase specialized
23		equipment in order to meet the needs of acquiring,

preserving, and evaluating Industrial Control System
 devices.

3 Do you have an exhibit explaining the addition of the Q. 4 cybersecurity forensic specialized equipment? 5 Yes. This program is discussed in further detail in Α. 6 Exhibit ____ (SSP-3). This Exhibit is submitted on a confidential basis so as not to compromise the 7 Company's cybersecurity efforts by potentially 8 9 disclosing our strategies to persons that may seek to 10 do harm to the Company. This exhibit explains the need for additional equipment for forensic 11 12 cybersecurity.

13 V. HUMAN RESOURCES

14 Q. What is the HR organization responsible for?

15 The HR organization consists of the following groups: Α. Benefits, Compensation, Employee and Labor Relations, 16 17 HR Support and Employee Wellness Center ("EWC"). The 18 mission of HR is to "Advance workplace solutions, safety, and services through our commitment to 19 20 excellence, innovation, engagement and wellness." Our 21 priorities of Ensuring Operational Excellence through Process Improvements, Productivity and Compliance and 22 of Improving Safety support this mission and continue 23

1		to be the basis for our initiatives, programs,
2		services, and performance measures.
3	Q.	What programs is HR sponsoring in this testimony?
4	A.	HR is sponsoring one O&M program change: strike
5		contingency. HR is also sponsoring a capital funding
6		request: a HR PeopleSoft Upgrade.
7	Q.	Do you have an exhibit titled "Shared Services - Human
8		Resources - O&M and Capital" detailing these programs
9		and their associated costs?
10	A.	Yes.
11	Q.	Was it prepared under your direction and supervision?
12	A.	Yes, it was.
13	MARK	FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBIT (SSP-4)
14	Q.	What are the forecasted expenditure levels for the
15		strike contingency O&M program change?
16	A.	The Company plans to allocate \$450,000 in each rate
17		year for these costs.
18	Q.	What are the forecasted expenditure levels for the \ensuremath{HR}
19		PeopleSoft Upgrade program?
20	A.	The company plans to spend approximately \$6.0 million
21		in 2019 and \$2.3 million in RY1.
22	Q.	What steps does HR take to control costs?

1	Α.	HR controls costs by strengthening business processes
2		through conducting self-assessments and employing
3		technical solutions to replace manual processes as
4		reflected in our HR capital project.
5		HR Payroll System
6	Q.	Please explain the capital project for HR, upgrading
7		the HR Payroll System.
8	A.	The HR capital project addresses the need to upgrade
9		the HR Payroll system. Upgrading systems supported by
10		vendors are critical in staying current on security
11		patches and Internal Revenue Service("IRS") changes
12		released as tax updates. The upgrade project will
13		include new functionality called "Fluid Pages" which
14		will allow for the deployment of the system to mobile
15		devices.
16	Q.	What is the HR Payroll System?
17	A.	The HR Payroll system is the application that manages
18		personnel data, time and labor, payroll, and benefits
19		for all active employees and retirees for Con Edison,
20		O&R and Con Edison Transmission.
21	Q.	Can the Company continue to use the HR Payroll system
22		without support?

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| 1 | Α. | As referenced in Exhibit (SSP-4), operating a |
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| 2 | | payroll system without support is not recommended. |
| 3 | | Oracle will stop releasing tax updates for an |
| 4 | | unsupported product version, which means the Company |
| 5 | | would not have the latest information for withholding |
| 6 | | payroll and other taxes. In addition, failure to |
| 7 | | upgrade would impact the Company's ability to apply |
| 8 | | critical bug fixes and security patches. |
| 9 | Q. | Are there two upgrades that need to be done and will |
| 10 | | you upgrade them at the same time to reduce the cost |
| 11 | | of the project? |
| 12 | A. | There are two Oracle products that must be upgraded - |
| 13 | | one for the system itself and another for a supporting |
| 14 | | system. Upgrading both products at the same time will |
| 15 | | avoid duplication of work, such as software |
| 16 | | installation, analysis, build, and testing. For |
| 17 | | example, system testing is estimated to take 12 weeks |
| 18 | | for an upgrade project. By upgrading together, system |
| 19 | | testing can be done once for 12 weeks for both |
| 20 | | products instead of twice if the upgrade were done |
| 21 | | separately. |

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1		Strike Contingency
2	Q.	Please generally describe the Company's strike
3		contingency efforts.
4	A.	The Company and its two local unions, IBEW Local 3 and
5		UWUA Local 1-2 employees, have collective bargaining
6		agreements. The Local 1-2 agreement will expire in
7		June 2020 and Local 3's agreement will expire in June
8		2021. In the event of a labor stoppage, the Company
9		has a planned approach to provide for the continued
10		safe operation of its facilities and its services.
11	Q.	Are there costs associated with these preparations?
12	A.	Yes. The Local 1-2 and Local 3 Contingency Programs
13		are ongoing initiatives that the Company has
14		traditionally implemented once every three or four
15		years to align with the end of the collective
16		bargaining agreement period. If a three year rate
17		plan is developed, each of these contracts will
18		potentially expire during the rate plan. As a result,
19		and since recent contracts have been for four years,
20		the annual cost for these initiatives is priced out at
21		one-fourth of the estimated cost. The estimated cost
22		for strike contingency is \$1.6 million for Local 1-2,
23		and \$200,000 for Local 3, or a total of \$1.8 million

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as shown in Exhibit _____(SSP-4). This is based on our most recent experience with the contingency planning that occurred in 2016 for Local 1-2, and in 2017 for Local 3. One-fourth, or \$450,000, will be included in each rate year. The Accounting Panel will address the proper allocation of these O&M costs.

7 VI. LEARNING & INCLUSION

What is the L&I organization responsible for? 8 Ο. 9 The L&I organization consists of the following groups: Α. 10 Talent Management, the office of Diversity and Inclusion, and TLC. We are responsible for delivering 11 12 innovative training and development solutions that 13 inspires employees to be engaged and deliver their 14 best performance to achieve business excellence. Our 15 mission is to deliver relevant, state-of-the-art 16 training and development options to:

Enhance technical and leadership skills and
 competencies of our employees

- Foster a culture of inclusion, equity andrespect for all
- Engage employees to demonstrate behaviors
 that support our company values

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1		• Advance meaningful performance and career
2		development planning
3		• Implement optimized sourcing and recruiting
4		results
5		Transforming Learning Through Innovation
6	Q.	What program is L&I sponsoring in this testimony?
7	A.	L&I is sponsoring one capital funding request:
8		"Transforming Learning Through Innovation."
9	Q.	Do you have an exhibit titled "White paper-Learning
10		Inclusion Digital Learning Transformation" detailing
11		this initiative and it's associated costs?
12	A.	Yes.
13	Q.	Was it prepared under your direction and supervision?
14	A.	Yes, it was.
15	MARK	FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBIT (SSP-5).
16	Q.	Why is the project important to the company?
17	A.	This project is critical to the future of Learning in
18		the Company as we strive to achieve our corporate
19		priorities: safety, operational excellence, and a
20		"plus one" customer experience. The goal is to
21		develop and implement a learning model that provides
22		technical proficiency and leadership skills to
23		employees through various learning channels that will

1 increase engagement, knowledge retention and 2 compliance while offering cost effective training 3 solutions across a variety of delivery channels. 4 Employees will have an optimal level of competency with the flexibility to learn quickly to meet the 5 б demands of changing regulatory, industry, and technology environments. The project includes the 7 integration of a mobile video training platform (cloud 8 9 based) a content management platform and ultimately 10 the replacement of the existing enterprise Learning 11 Management System (eTrain). Our goal is to implement 12 a state of the art learning program that blends our 13 current successful learning process with the 14 appropriate digital learning technologies to achieve 15 high levels of performance. What would the Capital funding include? 16 Q.

17 A. The Capital funding would include a Mobile Learning
18 Cloud-based Platform, a Content Management System and
19 an LMS.

20 VII. FACILITIES AND FIELD SERVICES

21 Q. Please explain the role of Facilities and Field22 Services.

1 Facilities and Field Services is a support Α. 2 organization comprised of three major groups: (1) Facilities, which provides logistical support 3 activities and maintains the Company's properties; 4 (2) Transportation Operations, which provides 5 б maintenance and repairs to the corporate fleet and manages the fleet vehicle replacement program; and 7 (3) Astoria Operations, which provides crane and 8 9 rigging services, tanker support, technical services, 10 Company-wide material delivery services, and manages 11 and operates a hazardous waste storage facility in 12 Astoria. The organization also provides logistical 13 and support services during contingent and emergency 14 situations. 15 What projects and programs are Facilities and Field Q. 16 Services sponsoring? Facilities and Field Services is sponsoring eleven 17 Α. 18 capital projects and programs, which we have grouped into four separate project categories: 19 20 • Demolition and New-Build projects (three projects) 21 • Critical Repair and Upgrade programs and projects

22 (four projects)

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- Safety and Environmental Programs and Projects (three
 projects)
- 3 Transportation Operations Project
- 4 Q. Have you prepared exhibits titled "Shared Services -

5 Facilities and Field Services - Capital"?

- 6 A. Yes, we have.
- 7 Q. Were these exhibits prepared under the Panel's
- 8 direction and supervision?
- 9 A. Yes, they were.
- 10 MARK FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBITS ____ (SSP-6)
- 11 Q. What are the forecasted expenditures for your
- 12 Facilities and Field Services Capital projects and
- 13 programs during RY1 through RY3?
- 14 A. The Company expects to spend approximately \$133.7
- 15 million in RY1, \$91.1 million in RY2, and \$56.5
- 16 million in RY3 for Facilities Capital projects and 17 programs.
- 18 Q. What steps does Facilities and Field Services take to19 control costs?
- A. For Facilities and Field Services projects, a team
 consisting of Engineering, Project Planning, Finance
 Planning and Analysis, and the Department's General
 Managers and Vice President meet on a weekly basis to

review each project, its current working estimate, its 1 2 construction status, and to discuss any projected cost 3 under/over-runs in order to best manage the project portfolio. A similar team also meets with the 4 Construction Services Department monthly to discuss 5 б project cost and construction status. These meetings provide an understanding of the relative position of 7 each project in the Facilities' portfolio and help to 8 allocate resources to keep projects on track and costs 9 10 under tight control. 11 Demolition and New-Build Projects 12 What does the first category of Facilities and Field Q. 13 Services project plan support? 14 Α. The demolition and new-build project category supports 15 the McKeon Door demolition project, the Sherman Creek 16 Service Center project, and the Brinkerhoff Service Center project. 17 18 McKeon Door Demolition Please describe the McKeon Door building. 19 Q. 20 The McKeon Door building is a 133,000-sq.ft., one-Α. 21 story warehouse/light manufacturing structure with a 22 two-story office space (mezzanine) at the north end of 23 Company owned property in Brooklyn, adjacent to the

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1 Gowanus substation. The building structure consists 2 of steel framing, exterior concrete/masonry walls, 3 with several roll-up doors, and a brick veneer. The building interior includes a concrete floor slab with 4 cement finish, interior Concrete Masonry Unit 5 б partitions, and various fire walls. The roof system 7 includes steel open-web type bar joists on steel girders, a corrugated steel roof deck, built-up 8 9 roofing and interior roof drains connected to the 10 combined sewer. A water sprinkler system, electrical 11 power and lighting, HVAC systems, along with water and sanitary sewer systems, are installed within the 12 13 building. 14 Q. For what purpose was this property purchased? 15 The Company purchased the McKeon Door property in 2006 Α. 16 to provide for the anticipated expansion of the

17 adjacent Gowanus Substation. The building is

18 presently vacant and has been used for various

19 Facilities Operational functions such as salt storage.

20 Q. What are the current plans for the property?

A. We plan to demolish and remove the entire building
structure and all its components, with perimeter
foundation walls demolished down to 12 inches below

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1 The existing piles and pile caps supporting grade. 2 the building structure will not be removed. Clean fill will be installed over the entire building 3 4 footprint, including the perimeter wall areas, topped with bluestone graded to the surrounding area. A new 5 б chain-link fence and gate will be installed around the entire property for security and personnel protection. 7 We plan on executing this demolition project starting 8 9 in 2019 and completing the work in 2021. 10 Q. What are the estimated costs for the demolition? The estimated capital cost is \$17 million, \$2 million 11 Α. 12 in 2019, \$9 million in RY1 and \$6 million in RY2. 13 Is there a need to demolish the property in the Q. 14 immediate future or can it wait for the planned 15 Substation project? 16 Α. The existing McKeon Door building has various safety and structural concerns. The building has been 17 18 inspected several times since its purchase and found to have roof leaks and other structural issues with 19 20 the existing roof bar joist system. The open-web bar joists are constructed with a "U" shaped channel 21 22 design that is prone to holding stagnant water, and 23 therefore corrosion, as opposed to a more reliable and

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1		robust open angle design utilized in modern joist
2		construction. Continued deterioration could lead to
3		the collapse of the building roof-structure. While
4		there have been efforts in the past to repair roof
5		leaks in various areas of the roof system,
6		comprehensive and costly roof replacement work has not
7		been done as the intent upon purchase was to demolish
8		the building to accommodate the planned Gowanus
9		expansion.
10	Q.	Does the Company have current plans for the McKeon
11		Door property following the demolition?
12	A.	Yes. The Company is evaluating the McKeon Door
13		property for use as a Service Center. The Company
14		will be conducting exploratory work for this
15		development beginning in 2022 and currently plans to
16		begin construction in 2023.
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18		Sherman Creek Service Center
19	Q.	Is the Company planning to develop a new service
20		center in northern Manhattan? If so, why?
21	A.	Yes. As outlined in the Sherman Creek White Paper,
22		the Company is continuing with planning for a new
23		service center on Company-owned property in Northern

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1 Manhattan. The facility will provide relief to the 2 congestion experienced at the existing Manhattan and 3 Bronx service centers, which continues to be a safety 4 concern for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, as well 5 as an impediment to productivity and response times 6 for the various Con Edison field operation 7 organizations.

8 Q. The new facility was included in the 2017 Rate Plan
9 and according to that filing, expected to be online by
10 2019. Why has it been delayed?

As detailed in the Sherman Creek White Paper, during 11 Α. 12 its initial planning for the facility, the Company was 13 approached by the City of New York with a proposal to 14 include the Company's planned facility in the City's 15 rezoning of Inwood. The rezoning proposal provided 16 for increased development rights on the Company's two largest parcels, thereby permitting a consolidation of 17 18 the planned facility and for the sale (once the new facility came online) of the other Company-owned 19 20 parcels that had originally been planned as part of 21 the new facility. By delaying design development, the 22 Company was able to work with the City and achieve a 23 significant enhancement in the design and expected

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efficiency of the planned development. This is in addition to improvements with the Company's existing operations in its surrounding properties through the sale of additional City property to the Company and the ability to consolidate gas and electric operations into one facility.

7 Q. What are the forecasted capital costs for this8 project?

9 The total estimated project cost based on engineering Α. 10 conceptual estimates is \$137 million. Planning for 11 the project began in 2017 and is projected to be completed in mid-2021 (RY2). To date, approximately 12 13 \$2 million has been spent on design and other related 14 development costs. Assuming savings through the 15 design-build approach, the Company is projecting spending at the following levels over the next three 16 years: \$25 million in 2019; \$78 million in RY1 (2020); 17 18 and \$32 million in RY2 (2021), for a total of \$137 19 million. As detailed in the Sherman Creek White 20 Paper, the Company is seeking an additional \$110 21 million in RY1 and RY2 to complete construction of 22 this project.

1		Brinkerhoff Work Out Center
2	Q.	Is the Company considering developing a new Work Out
3		Center at its Company owned property in Jamaica,
4		Queens?
5	A.	Yes.
6	Q.	What is the current construction estimate for the new
7		Brinkerhoff Work Out Center?
8	A.	\$19 million dollars, based on a Central Engineering
9		conceptual estimate, however the Company expects to
10		achieve a savings by employing a design-build approach
11		for the development.
12	Q.	What level of funding is sought in this rate plan
13		request?
14	A.	As noted, the estimated project cost is \$19 million
15		dollars. We plan to spend \$2 million dollars on
16		planning and design costs associated with the proposed
17		service center in 2022. The \$17 million balance is
18		for construction which is expected to go forward in
19		2023-24 and therefore not included in this rate
20		filing.
21		Critical Repairs and Upgrade Projects and Programs
22	Q.	What does the second category of Facilities and Field
23		Services capital spending plan support?

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1	Α.	The capital spending plan supports:
2		o Service Center Renovation and Store Room
3		Modernization Program
4		o Critical Infrastructure - Short Term Priority
5		Projects and Programs
6		o Roof Program Projects
7		o Facility Security Program upgrades Projects
8		The expenditure amounts are discussed below and are
9		included in the previously mentioned capital exhibit
10		SSP-6.
11	Q.	Please explain the critical repair and upgrade
12		activities of the Facilities group.
13	A.	Facilities plans, directs, and controls the
14		maintenance of all building systems and the day-to-day
15		building and yard operations at Company-owned and
16		leased office buildings and service centers. With the
17		assistance of Central Engineering - Facilities
18		Engineering, we also perform periodic assessments and
19		inspections of all buildings and, if necessary,
20		prepare corrective action plans, so that critical
21		building systems are operated and maintained
22		appropriately.

1	Q.	Please discuss the projected Facilities capital
2		spending level and why it is necessary to modernize,
3		upgrade, and improve the Company's facilities.
4	A.	Most of the Company's facilities were constructed
5		anywhere from 20 to 60 years ago. Projects set forth
б		in the Exhibit are needed in order to correct
7		potentially unsafe conditions, address environmental
8		issues, comply with local, state, or federal
9		regulatory requirements/building codes, maintain the
10		structural integrity of the buildings, improve the
11		overall condition of the buildings, and guarantee that
12		the various equipment and systems required to operate
13		these facilities are functional, economical, and
14		practical.
15	Q.	How does Facilities minimize costs?
16	A.	Facilities minimizes costs in two ways; both relate to
17		the proper identification and then strict monitoring
18		of projects and their associated costs. With the
19		assistance of Central Engineering - Facilities
20		Engineering, Facilities identifies its projects via
21		periodic programmatic assessments, such as the
22		Facilities Roof Inspection, Steel/Concrete/Façade
23		Inspection, Emergency Diesel Generator and Electrical

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1 System, Bathroom/Locker Room and HVAC Evaluation Programs, which the Company performs approximately 2 3 every five years. The Company also uses the 4 Engineering Service Request ("ESR") process, which evaluates a particular problem, assesses various 5 solution options and then provides a conceptual scope б of work/budgetary order of magnitude cost estimate. 7 Facilities uses this information to then prioritize 8 9 projects according to the following program 10 categories: "compliance", "critical infrastructure -11 short term priority", "critical infrastructure programs", "roof,", "energy efficiency", and "service 12 13 center renovation". By studying, evaluating, and 14 assessing the condition of equipment and systems, 15 developing work scopes and cost estimates, and 16 categorizing and prioritizing projects accordingly, Facilities develops an understanding of where to most 17 18 effectively allocate its project funding and resources. This method had generally identified 19 20 emergent projects and programs, such as, "compliance" 21 and "critical infrastructure - short term priority" as 22 targets for funding in the earlier years of its 23 program rather than renovation projects and programs

1		such as, "critical infrastructure - programs, "roofs,"
2		"energy efficiency" and "service center renovations"
3		being deferred until later years.
4		<u>Critical Infrastructure - Short Term</u>
5		Priority Projects and Programs
6	Q.	Are there additional categories of projects that need
7		to be undertaken?
8	A.	Yes. There are two categories of work performed under
9		Facilities Buildings and Yards - Critical
10		Infrastructure, which are broken down into either
11		Short-Term Priority "Projects" or "Programs". This
12		category has a white paper included in Exhibit
13		(SSP-6), entitled "Facilities Critical Infrastructure
14		Short Term Priority/Program".
15	Q.	Please first describe the projects under Critical
16		Infrastructure - Short Term Priority Projects
17		(emergent).
18	A.	These are projects that we have initiated because they
19		are deemed necessary to maintain the structural
20		integrity of the Company's Facilities' buildings, to
21		allow them to operate as designed, or to protect
22		critical equipment (e.g., high maintenance or obsolete
23		HVAC systems, LAN Room AC Installations, Yard Paving).

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1		We add Critical Infrastructure Short Term Priority
2		projects to the list as ESRs are completed, equipment
3		nears end-of-life, or programmatic assessments are
4		performed that deem these projects as high priority.
5	Q.	Can you please provide examples of some of these
6		short-term priority projects?
7	Α.	Yes. Examples of projects in this category involve
8		rehabilitating severely corroded building and yard
9		drainage systems, rehabilitating building envelopes
10		such as facades, windows and exterior walls,
11		performing yard paving and/or resurfacing, and
12		replacing or refurbishing failing and problematic HVAC
13		systems. There are several projects currently listed
14		in this category for the rate years, however history
15		has shown that additional projects may arise that need
16		to be undertaken on an expedited basis. The Critical
17		Infrastructure Short-Term Priority projects category
18		is a contingency fund for such emergency situations.
19		Examples of past short-term priority capital projects
20		include:

3rd Ave Yard Stores Building 1 - Remediation of
Cracks on Building Walls for \$2.3 million in 2020 &
2021.

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- Victory Blvd Conference Room A/C Unit for \$0.2
 million in 2020.
- Van Nest Compressed Gas Cylinder Storage for \$0.3
 million scheduled for 2020.

Q. Now, please describe the projects under Critical
Infrastructure - "Programs" (programmatic, lower
priority).

8 A. These capital programs are also intended to maintain
9 and improve the overall conditions at the buildings
10 and yards as well as maintain the facilities.

11 We list projects in the Critical Infrastructure -Programs Category either as a result of a completed 12 13 ESR or program assessment or based on engineering or 14 historical knowledge of the systems and equipment (e.g., since the expected life of a Freon-based HVAC 15 16 system is approximately 20 to 25 years, units that are 15 years or older will be listed in the five-year 17 18 plan). A completed ESR provides a scope of work and 19 budgetary order of magnitude cost estimate required to 20 address a system problem. The full scope of these projects is outlined in the white paper entitled 21 22 "Facilities Critical Infrastructure Short-Term Priority/Programs". 23

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1	Q.	Does Exhibit (SSP-6) detail the expected critical
2		infrastructure programs to be undertaken in the next
3		several years?
4	Α.	Yes. This Exhibit (SSP-6) lists these upcoming
5		programs.
6	Q.	Do you have an example of how Facilities Engineering
7		studied, evaluated and assessed the condition of
8		equipment/systems, and then developed the most
9		efficient work scope to address a problem?
10	Α.	Yes. One example of the process described above is
11		the Rye Headquarters HVAC Replacement Project,
12		detailed in the white paper entitled "Critical
13		Infrastructure Short-Term Priorities/Programs". As
14		you can see, Facilities Engineering weighed two
15		different options at different ends of the cost
16		spectrum, analyzing equipment age,
17		condition/maintenance history and environmental
18		impacts before choosing an effective, cost-efficient
19		replacement.
20	Q.	How much is the Company planning on spending in this
21		critical infrastructure category for short term
22		priority projects and other programs during RY1
23		through RY3?

1	Α.	In RY1, we project expenditures of \$13.5 million; in
2		RY2, we project to spend \$13.5 million; and in RY3, we
3		project to spend \$13.5 million. The capital exhibit
4		shows the associated projects we are requesting.
5		
6		Roof Replacement Program
7	Q.	What is the Company planning to do for roof
8		replacements?
9	A.	Facilities Engineering inspects each roof on a
10		periodic basis and recommends critical repairs or roof
11		replacements as required. A roof generally has a
12		life-span of 20 to 25 years, provided that repairs are
13		made in accordance with the five-year inspection
14		reports. We plan to address the roof replacements at
15		various facilities across our territories, including
16		The Learning Center, Victory Boulevard, 16th Street,
17		Atlantic Avenue, and Bruckner Boulevard as indicated
18		in Exhibit (SSP-6), white paper entitled "Roof
19		Replacement/Repair Program). Note that these roof
20		projects are intended to be completed prior to
21		failure/water leakage into the building.
22	Q.	How much do you plan on spending on the roof
23		replacement project?

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1	Α.	For roof replacement and other anticipated work as a
2		result of the ongoing roof inspection program, we
3		project spending approximately \$5.0 million in RY1,
4		\$5.0 million in RY2, and \$9.0 million in RY3.
5	Q.	Please explain the projected increase from RY1 to RY3.
6	Α.	Facilities Engineering, with the assistance of an
7		outside consultant, performs periodic roof inspections
8		to assess the condition and damage at the various
9		facilities. The Company looks to evaluate each roof
10		every five years. Based on the roof condition and
11		level of damage, the assessment provides each location
12		with a numerical rating (<i>i.e.</i> , from 1-10, with 10 being
13		the worst). This information, along with the year
14		inspected, can be seen in the Roof White Paper and in
15		Exhibit (SSP-6). Facilities Engineering uses that
16		information, along with the importance/criticality of
17		the facility (<i>i.e.</i> , TLC, Headquarter Buildings, etc.)
18		and stakeholder feedback (obvious leaks/complaints) to
19		establish the five year plan.
20		Facilities Service Center Renovation
21		and Store Room Modernization
22	Q.	Please explain your Facilities Service Center

23 Renovation and Store Room Modernization Program.

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Service Center Renovation projects are performed each 1 Α. 2 year to maintain and improve on overall conditions at 3 Con Edison buildings and yards. This program will 4 renovate various office spaces located within the Company's Headquarter Buildings (such as Flatbush Ave, 5 б Rye HQ, and Davis Ave) and Service Centers (such as Worth Street and Eastview), many of which have not 7 been renovated since their original construction. 8 Much of the infrastructure at Con Edison buildings and 9 10 yards is outdated. The air conditioning is essentially unchanged since it was installed, with 11 inefficient controls that result in unsatisfactory 12 13 comfort levels in the buildings. As part of the 14 renovations, all the distribution ductwork and 15 controls will be replaced, including Variable Air 16 Volume ("VAV") systems that change the air flow 17 depending on need. Similarly, lighting will be 18 completely replaced with an energy-efficient system that responds to a central controller and dims at the 19 20 perimeter to respond to available daylight. All renovated floors will have wireless access. 21 22 The Storeroom Modernization project aims to consolidate the various storerooms within service 23

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1 centers, originally created by individual operating 2 groups, into one main storeroom in each service 3 center. The primary purpose of the project will be to 4 reduce material and tool redundancy, minimize physical storeroom footprints, streamline and standardize 5 б processes, and optimize staffing required to manage the storerooms. Additionally, there is significant 7 opportunity to update processes by reducing or 8 eliminating paper-based transactions and employing 9 10 state-of-the-art technology for ordering and tracking 11 material. Note that Stores hired an expert in this 12 field to complete a study of the locations and 13 recommend the best way to consolidate and/or 14 streamline operations in College Point, E 16th Street, 15 Eastview, Rye, W 28th Street, Victory Blvd, 3rd Ave, 16 and Van Nest. The study was completed in 2018 and 17 will provide the foundation for a long-term 18 improvement plan. Please explain the need and associated benefits for 19 Q. 20 such a program. 21 Most Con Edison buildings are over twenty-five years Α. 22 old, with certain locations, such as Cleveland Street 23 and Rye Service Centers, over sixty years old.

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1 Interior offices, in certain cases, do not meet current space-use or industry safety standards. Con 2 3 Edison's policies emphasize open communication and 4 collaboration. The Company's open floor plan reflects 5 and supports this management approach. The planned б renovations will bring the floors to the industry standard for new office buildings, with the intent to 7 provide a work environment that is attractive, 8 flexible, productive, easy to maintain, and will 9 10 require no substantial investment for many years. Currently, storerooms in each service center are 11 12 comprised of nonadjacent rooms or spaces, often 13 serving individual operating groups in Electric, Gas, 14 Steam and Customer Operations. Because of the 15 locations and configurations of these spaces, there is 16 duplication of material and personnel. An architect 17 with expertise was engaged and has provided 18 recommendations on how to physically consolidate the storerooms and optimize storage space utilization. 19 20 Adopting these recommendations will result in savings 21 and efficiencies but will require physical 22 construction and technology investment to accomplish. 23 Are there reasonable alternatives to the program? Q.

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1	Α.	These spaces can be repainted and cleaned to make
2		cosmetic improvements to the office environment and
3		employee comfort, but few of the benefits described
4		above can be reasonably achieved.
5		Facility Security Program upgrades Projects
6	Q.	What is the Company planning to do for the Security
7		Program Upgrades?
8	A.	The Facilities Security Program will include
9		upgrade/enhancements to a number of facilities.
10	Q.	Do you have an exhibit explaining the facility
11		security program upgrades projects?
12	A.	Yes. This program is discussed in further detail in
13		Exhibit (SSP-6). This Exhibit is submitted on a
14		confidential basis so as not to compromise the
15		Company's security efforts by potentially disclosing
16		our strategies to persons that may seek to do harm to
17		the Company. This exhibit explains the need for
18		facility security program upgrades projects.
19		Safety and Environmental Programs and Projects
20	Q.	What does the third category of Facilities and Field
21		Services capital spending plan support?
22	A.	The capital project plan for the Safety and
23		Environmental Program and Projects category supports:

1		o Energy Efficiency Program
2		o Compliance Projects (Safety, Environmental, and
3		Regulatory)
4		o Astoria SWSS Corrective Action Project
5		Energy Efficiency Program
б	Q.	What is the Company planning to do for the Energy
7		Efficiency Program?
8	Α.	The Energy Efficiency Program is a compilation of
9		various Energy Efficiency Measures ("ECMs") identified
10		in the Level III Investment Grade Energy Audits
11		completed for: Irving Place Corporate Headquarters;
12		Flatbush Avenue, Rye and Davis Avenue Regional
13		Headquarters; and the Learning Center ("TLC")
14		buildings. A Level III Energy Audit provides detailed
15		project cost and savings calculations with the high
16		level of confidence required for major capital
17		investment decisions. Con Edison conducted the Level
18		III Energy Audit as part of its efforts to comply with
19		the New York City Local Law 87 requirement to conduct
20		periodic audits.
21		These ECMs identify methods to reduce energy use at
22		each location. The majority of the ECMs identified
23		are associated with lighting, HVAC systems (to include

1 sensors, BMS and software) and attributed to the 2 energy inefficient building facades (e.g., building 3 envelope components such as windows). This program will address the ECM items identified in the building 4 Energy Audits as well as Local Law 88, which requires 5 б large non-residential buildings to upgrade their lighting systems to meet current NYC Energy 7 Conservation Codes. Projects specifically include the 8 9 replacement of over 2,000 windows at the Corporate 10 Headquarters Building at Irving Place, replacement of 11 HVAC systems/phasing out of R-22 refrigerant 12 throughout the Regional Headquarters and Service 13 Centers, and the installation of new LED lights and 14 daylight harvesting controls at the Regional 15 Headquarters and Service Centers. The details for these various projects may be found in the white paper 16 17 entitled "Facilities Building and Yards Energy 18 Efficiency Program", found in Exhibit ____ (SSP-6). How much do you plan to spend on the Facilities Energy 19 Q. 20 Efficiency Program? 21 This program will spend approximately \$5.0 million Α. 22 RY1, \$3.0 million in RY2 and \$3.0 million in RY3.

1		Compliance Projects and Programs
2	Q.	Please explain the compliance projects.
3	A.	Compliance projects are required to address
4		potentially unsafe conditions and environmental issues
5		to comply with the latest local, state, or federal
6		regulatory requirements and building codes.
7	Q.	What are the projected costs of all the compliance
8		projects that you have addressed?
9	A.	The estimated capital costs for this category of
10		projects are \$5.0 million in RY1, \$5.0 million in RY2,
11		and \$5.0 million in RY3. The RY1 and RY2 expenditures
12		are primarily for projects to comply with Local Law 11
13		("LL11"), which must be completed by the time
14		indicated in the filing report submitted by New York
15		City Department of Buildings ("NYCDOB") and for the
16		installation of a new fire hydrant system at Eastview
17		Service Center.
18	Q.	Please summarize each project.
19	A.	Irving Place Local Law 11 - Cycle 9 Façade Repairs -
20		Per the white paper entitled "Facilities Buildings and

attachment 1", the recently completed LL11 engineeringfaçade inspection of Irving Place resulted in a final

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Yards All Other (Safety Environmental Regulatory),

1 report that was submitted to the NYCDOB. The Final 2 Report depicts several UNSAFE and SWARMP (Safe With a 3 Repair and Maintenance Program) conditions. We estimate the cost to eliminate these conditions at 4 \$8.7 million capital and work began in 2019. 5 б Installation of a new Fire Hydrant system at Eastview 7 Service Center. This project, for 2020, 2021 and 2022, at an 8 9 approximated cost of \$9.9 million, provides for the 10 construction of a new fire hydrant system in 11 accordance with the Codes Rules and Regulations of New York, Article 12, Part 1060.6 "Fire Protection 12 13 Equipment, Yard Hydrant Systems". For more 14 information, please refer to white paper "Facilities 15 Buildings and Yards All Other (Safety Environmental 16 Regulatory)". Are there other regulatory compliance projects that 17 0: 18 need to be undertaken? The projects mentioned above are examples of 19 Α. Yes. 20 larger jobs in this category. We anticipate there 21 will be other emerging projects that will result from 22 future environmental, local law, and safety 23 regulations. The white paper entitled "Facilities

1		Buildings and Yards All Other (Safety, Environmental
2		Regulatory)" included in Exhibit (SSP-6), contains
3		additional examples of capital compliance projects.
4		These projects are generally required for compliance
5		with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration
6		("OSHA"), the New York State Department of
7		Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC") and other
8		regulatory agencies.
9	Q.	Do you have examples of some of the projects included
10		in this category?
11	A.	Yes. One such large project concerns the Facilities
12		Cooling Towers Upgrade program, which will address
13		Legionella concerns. Smaller-cost projects include
14		upgrading the Davis Ave Stairwell D 1st Floor Landing,
15		and upgrading the Victory Blvd Emergency Generator.
16		These projects are included in Exhibit (SSP-6).
17	Q.	What are the projected costs associated with the other
18		compliance category in RY1 - RY3?
19	A.	We plan to spend approximately \$2.5 million in each of
20		RY1 and RY2, and \$5.0 million in RY3.
21		SWSS Correction Project
22	Q.	Please describe the purpose of the Southwest
23		Stormwater System ("SWSS")?

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1	Α.	The SWSS is located in the southwestern portion of the
2		Astoria Site along 18th Avenue and collects storm
3		water from approximately 18 acres of the facility and
4		discharges to the East River via Outfall B. We
5		reconstructed the SWSS in 2015 and incorporated
б		several pollution reduction controls into the design
7		of the system, including oil/grit separators,
8		sediment/silt filters, and oil-separation devices.
9		These controls were intended to reduce the amount of
10		total suspended solids ("TSS"), oils, polychlorinated
11		biphenyls ("PCBs"), and other pollutants from
12		discharging into the East River.
13	Q.	How has the system operated since the new system went
14		into operation?
15	Α.	PCBs have continued to be identified in onsite
16		stormwater at concentrations sporadically exceeding
17		the NYSDEC action level of 200 parts per trillion
18		("ppt"). As per the NYSDEC, we need to stay under (or
19		very close to) 200 ppt for 18-24 months to avoid a
20		State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("SPDES")
21		permit that will result in violations when we exceed
22		the limit moving forward.
23	Q.	What measures have been taken to address this issue?

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1	Α.	The Company has retained a consultant to investigate
2		PCBs in the SWSS. The consultant's investigations,
3		which were conducted in 2016 and 2017, identified the
4		likely contributors of PCBs and TSS into the SWSS, as
5		well as categories for system improvements, which
6		include: Source Control - Actions targeting removal of
7		PCBs at the source (<i>i.e.</i> , field returned transformers)
8		via operational controls, surficial sediment removal,
9		and deposition prevention; and Stormwater Collection
10		and Conveyance - Actions that improve the
11		functionality, operation and maintenance and
12		efficiency of the stormwater collection and conveyance
13		system.

14 Q. Please explain further.

In order to address "Source Control" issues, the 15 Α. consultant recommended improving Field Returned 16 17 Transformer ("FRT") processing and storage practices since dirt and debris on the FRTs are suspected to be 18 a primary source of PCBs that may enter the SWSS 19 during rain events. We will therefore look to 20 construct a new on-site FRT Wash-down Area/Canopy that 21 will be an enclosed and/or covered structure for 22 receiving and washing down dirt and debris from 23

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transformers before they are temporarily stored outside, where rainwater can wash PCB contaminated dirt/debris into the SWSS drainage system. This capital project is estimated at approximately \$10 million.

б In order to address the "Stormwater Collection and Conveyance" issues and improve stormwater runoff from 7 the East Storage Yard, which presently overwhelms 8 downstream catch basins, the consultant recommended to 9 10 supplement the SWSS drainage collection system by 11 adding catch basins and slot drains. Additional stormwater catch basins within the East Storage Yard 12 13 would improve drainage and reduce the flow of runoff 14 from this area to the North Storage Yard. This would 15 also alleviate the bypassing and clogging of catch basins with high sediment loads, and help to capture 16 and treat runoff from the Site, more effectively-17 18 reducing the frequency of inlet filter clogging across the site. Additional catch basins would also reduce 19 20 stormwater runoff from flowing across the Site cover, 21 which could reduce PCB concentrations. It is also 22 recommended that the existing concrete/asphalt system 23 of the Astoria East Yard be completely removed and

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1 replaced with a new concrete system that includes 2 proper drainage. In addition to improving Stormwater 3 Collection and Conveyance, replacing the Astoria East 4 Yard concrete slab and asphalt would address slips, trips, and fall safety hazards associated with the 5 б Note that the existing eight inch heavy duty area. concrete slab which makes up a majority of the yard 7 was installed approximately fifty years ago, and has 8 9 suffered extensive damage from aging, freeze-thaw 10 cycles, and the leaching of lime and salt 11 In most locations, the top two inches contamination. of cover has eroded, exposing the wire mesh that 12 13 absorbs shrinkage strains; embedded rebar have also 14 rusted from exposure to the elements. The asphalt areas located between the concrete slabs have also 15 16 deteriorated, exacerbating the safety hazard to personnel. These uneven surfaces could result in 17 18 forklift accidents that could potentially cause injuries, transformer damage, and transformer oil 19 20 spills.

Q. Do you have an exhibit explaining the SWSS CorrectionProject?

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| 1 | Α. | Yes. This project is discussed further in the white |
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| 2 | | paper entitled "Astoria SouthWest Storm Water System |
| 3 | | Corrective Action Plan," in Exhibit(SSP-6). |
| 4 | Q. | What are the projected costs associated with the SWSS |
| 5 | | Correction Project in RY1 - RY3? |
| 6 | A. | We plan to spend approximately \$1 million in RY1, and |
| 7 | | \$13 million in each of RY2 and RY3. |
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| 9 | | Transportation Operations Fuel Station Upgrade |
| 10 | Q. | Please explain the activities of the Transportation |
| 11 | | Operations group. |
| 12 | A. | Transportation Operations provides automotive |
| 13 | | engineering and fleet support for the Company, |
| 14 | | including managing fuel deliveries to Company fueling |
| 15 | | stations, creating specifications for new vehicle and |
| 16 | | equipment purchases, fleet vehicle maintenance and |
| 17 | | repairs, administering parts and service contracts for |
| 18 | | fleet vehicle support and managing the XM-2 capital |
| 19 | | budget for vehicle procurement. |
| 20 | Q. | How does Transportation minimize costs? |
| 21 | A. | Transportation Operations continues to purchase clean |
| 22 | | Alternative Fuel Vehicles that reduce gasoline and |
| 23 | | diesel fuel consumption. As discussed in the XM-2 |

1 section, Automotive Engineering continually works with 2 vehicle manufacturers to incorporate fuel saving technology and energy efficient ancillary components 3 in vehicles, such as the use of battery power instead 4 of diesel generators for work-site power. Along the 5 б same lines, we are introducing bucket trucks that use electric power to operate the boom. In addition, we 7 are committed to looking at ways to reduce the fleet 8 9 size (e.q. vehicle pooling, etc.) and we continue to 10 use our relationships with suppliers and manufacturers 11 to obtain skills training for our staff of mechanics. Improved skills have allowed Transportation to 12 maintain a diverse fleet with no staffing increases. 13 14 And finally, we also work with Purchasing to leverage 15 better pricing initiatives by establishing multi-year vehicle purchasing contracts and by consolidating 16 parts and service contracts. 17 18 What does the Transportation capital spending plan Ο. 19 support? 20 The capital project plan for Transportation supports: Α.

21 o Upgrade of an existing gasoline and diesel Fuel 22 station

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- 1 Q. Is this project detailed in the exhibit___(SSP-6)
- 2 entitled "Shared Services Facilities and Field
- 3 Services Capital"?
- 4 A. Yes it is.

5 <u>Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Station Upgrade Project</u> 6 Q. How does the Company currently provide fuel for the 7 vehicle fleet?

- 8 A. Currently, the Company has twelve gasoline/diesel
- 9 fueling stations and eight CNG fueling stations.
- 10 Generally, Company vehicles go to these locations to
- 11 refuel by using a Company-issued gas card system.
- 12 Q. Does the Company have an on-going program to upgrade
- 13 these fuel stations?
- 14 A. Yes. As explained below, there is an on-going program15 to upgrade the gasoline/diesel stations.
- 16 Q. Can you please explain the gasoline and diesel fuel17 station upgrade project?
- 18 A. This capital project funds the replacement of obsolete
- 19 and deteriorating equipment at the Company's twelve
- 20 fueling stations.
- 21 Q. Is there a need to upgrade these stations?
- 22 A. Yes. These fuel stations provide fuel for the daily23 operation of the Company's fleet of cars, trucks and

equipment. Due to the obsolescence of the equipment at these locations, replacement parts are becoming difficult to obtain, and as a result, the stations are more subject to potential outages. There are also environmental concerns because of the potential for fuel to leak into the environment.

7 Q. Are there other potential issues if these stations are8 not available?

9 If a major failure were to occur at a station, Α. Yes. 10 the station could be out-of-service for a considerable 11 amount of time until repairs are completed. This 12 would impact the ability to fuel Company vehicles at 13 the site, resulting in the use of more costly retail 14 fueling sites. These upgrades will improve the 15 operation and reliability of the fuel stations and reduce the risk of an environmental event at any site. 16 What is the current status of this project? 17 Ο. 18 The Company has completed the above ground upgrades Α. 19 (fuel dispensers, card readers, etc.) to all twelve 20 fueling stations. In addition, the Eastview fuel 21 station upgrade, including replacement of the 22 underground tanks and associated piping has been 23 completed; the Rye station underground tank and

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1		associated piping replacement will be completed early
2		in 2019; and the Yonkers station underground tank and
3		associated piping replacement will be completed by
4		year-end 2019.
5	Q.	Are there any other stations that require additional
6		renovations and what is their status?
7	A.	Yes. Due to the age of the underground equipment at
8		the Neptune Avenue station, the tanks and associated
9		piping requires replacement. This work is scheduled
10		to be completed in 2020.
11	Q.	What is the projected cost of the Neptune Avenue
12		station upgrade project?
13	Α.	The Neptune Avenue fuel station upgrade project is
14		estimated to cost \$3.0 million and will be completed
15		in RY1.
16	VIII	BUSINESS COST OPTIMIZATION INITIATIVES
17	Q.	Please discuss the type of costs that the Shared
18		Services organization incurs.
19	Α.	Shared Services provides a broad array of services
20		supporting internal customers across the Company.
21		Services include the management and maintenance of
22		most Company facilities, the purchase and maintenance
23		of the Company's vehicle fleet, and certain managed

1		services that support operations (including device
2		testing, logistics and environmental services).
3		Shared Services also negotiates, executes and manages
4		contracts used throughout the Company and is
5		responsible for other key functions including research
6		and development, corporate security and emergency
7		preparation services.
8	Q.	Is the Shared Services organization undertaking
9		specific BCO initiatives?
10	A.	Yes. The Shared Services organization has identified
11		and will be implementing eight BCO initiatives during
12		RY1-RY3 that are designed to improve service to its
13		internal customers and reduce the overall cost of
14		services provided to our internal customers.
15	Q.	Are the cost savings produced by the Shared Services
16		organization's BCO initiatives considered "direct
17		savings?"
18	Α.	No. Given that Shared Services is an internal service
19		provider, the savings from its BCO initiatives benefit
20		Shared Services' internal customers. Therefore, these
21		savings are presented as "influenced savings" within
22		each of the Company's organizations supported by
23		Shared Services. That is, the savings are reflected

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1	in the forecasted costs of other departments rather
2	than the Shared Services department. We discuss the
3	individual Shared Services BCO initiatives in order of
4	the magnitude of anticipated savings. The amount of
5	savings associated with the Company's various BCO
б	initiatives are presented in the exhibits of the
7	Company's Accounting Panel.

Please discuss Shared Services' first BCO Initiative. 8 Ο. 9 The first BCO initiative is Category Management, which Α. 10 refers to the various areas of spending that Shared 11 Services manages on behalf of its internal customers. Category Management is a best-in-class business 12 13 practice among today's leading Supply Chain 14 organizations. Con Edison's Category Management 15 initiative focuses on achieving savings and producing value throughout the term of contracts by demand 16 planning, marketplace analysis, strategic sourcing, 17 18 continuous improvement, and supplier relationship 19 management.

Q. What is the process for Shared Services to implementeffective Category Management?

22 A. Category Management is a selective and deliberative23 process. Significant data gathering, analysis and

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1 engagement with internal customer groups is undertaken 2 before a "category", or area of spend, is subject to 3 the Category Management BCO Initiative. Factors 4 influencing when a category is subject to review include total spend, number of suppliers, number of 5 б stakeholders and complexity of the category. Implementation is done in "waves." A group of 7 categories is selected and referred to as a "wave". 8 What Category Management activities have been 9 Ο. 10 completed or are in-process? The Con Edison procurement team has completed Wave 1, 11 Α. 12 which includes categories such as, gas keyhole 13 services, paving & restoration and environmental 14 services. Currently, the team is working on Wave 2, 15 which consists of electric construction, information 16 technology hardware and services, electric transmission construction and facility services. 17 18 Shared Services developed the savings associated with this initiative by comparing supplier pricing provided 19 20 by a competitive bid process against historical 21 spending for each category. The program is expected 22 to move on to Waves 3 & 4 and will deliver savings

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1		throughout the rate case period for Shared Services
2		and other departments.
3	Q.	What potential challenges may impact the actual level
4		of savings achieved from the Category Management BCO
5		Initiative?
6	Α.	Actual savings in each year may vary based on:
7	٠	Duration in searching, recruiting and hiring
8		professionals with the requisite skillsets and
9		capabilities for Con Edison's Procurement group to
10		execute the Category Management methodology
11		successfully; and
12	•	Outside influences (e.g., trade tariffs, increases in
13		minimum wage) that could impact negotiated contracts
14		and lower savings estimates.
15	Q.	Please discuss Shared Services' second BCO initiative.
16	Α.	The Integrated Supply (Material) initiative focuses on
17		awarding contracts for high-volume, low-value material
18		items to one or a limited number of suppliers with a
19		strong market presence. This solution will drive down
20		unit pricing and reduce logistics costs over time. In

(e.g., vending machines, tool lockers) that can
regulate the rate of consumption and improve end-user

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addition, we also plan to deploy technology tools

1 satisfaction. Supply Chain is currently in a 2 procurement process to select these supplier(s). 3 What are some components of the Integrated Supply Q. Material BCO initiative that are driving cost savings 4 5 for internal customers and thus Con Edison customers? 6 Α. Components driving savings are lower unit pricing, 7 direct delivery to regional Store locations, leveraging industrial vending solutions and 8 9 integration of the yet to be selected supplier's IT 10 platform with Oracle. The scope of this initiative 11 includes several thousand material items along with 12 new processes and technology to support direct 13 delivery to over a dozen regional store locations. We 14 have earmarked this initiative for implementation in 15 2019and expect savings to begin in 2020. Shared 16 Services developed the savings associated with the Integrated Supply Material BCO initiative using data 17 18 resulting from the competitive procurement process. What potential challenges may impact the actual level 19 Q. 20 of savings achieved from the Integrated Supply Material BCO initiative? 21

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1	Α.	Factors that will affect the timing and amounts of
2		savings for the Integrated Supply Material BCO
3		initiative include:
4		• Unforeseen complexity with implementation, change
5		management and IT tools (e.g., scanners, barcodes)
6		that will replace longstanding logistics processes;
7		• Delays in migration of the volume of spending and
8		transactions associated with the reduction in the
9		number of suppliers; and
10		• Unforeseen integration complications of the yet to
11		be selected supplier's transaction platform with Con
12		Edison's internal Oracle IT system and other
13		supplier tools.
14	Q.	What is Shared Services' third BCO initiative?
15	A.	Shared Services' third BCO initiative is Integrated
16		Supply Equipment. This initiative focuses on reducing
17		costs associated with buying, handling and managing
18		Transmission and Distribution ("T&D") equipment. This
19		initiative would reduce the number of suppliers in
20		order to manage the overall forecasting, buying,
21		handling and payment of T&D equipment. This
22		initiative emphasizes cost savings through forecasting
23		tools for purchasing equipment and effectively

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1		controlling equipment levels. Due to the capacity of
2		doing one Integrated Supply initiative at a time and
3		the ability to drive change, the equipment initiative
4		will begin in late 2020 and the savings are projected
5		to be realized in 2021 and will primarily impact
6		Electric and Central Operations. Shared Services
7		developed the savings associated with the Integrated
8		Supply Equipment BCO initiative based on industry
9		knowledge of this type of program.
10	Q.	What potential challenges may impact the actual level
11		of savings achieved from the Integrated Supply
12		Equipment BCO Initiative?
13	Α.	Shared Services will implement the Integrated Supply
14		Material initiative before the Integrated Supply
15		(Equipment) initiative. If that initiative is
16		delayed, this one will be as well. Other factors
17		affecting the timing and amount of savings for this
18		initiative include:
19	•	Planning and change management for the new processes
20		and unforeseen complexity with IT tools that will

21 replace longstanding logistics processes;

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1	•	Delays in migration of the volume of spending and
2		transactions associated with the reduction in the
3		number of suppliers; and
4	•	Unforeseen integration complications of the yet to be
5		selected supplier's transaction platform with Con
б		Edison's internal Oracle IT system and other supplier
7		tools.
8	Q.	Please describe Shared Services' Transportation Fleet
9		BCO initiative.
10	A.	Shared Services' fourth BCO initiative pertains to the
11		management of the Company's transportation fleet. The
12		current transportation fleet consists of approximately
13		5,000 vehicles and units of equipment (e.g. backhoes,
14		front-end loads, trailers). The transportation fleet
15		initiative focuses on reducing costs by "right-sizing"
16		the fleet and improving efficiencies in the
17		maintenance and management of the fleet. Leveraging
18		data and analytics, in addition to extensive
19		engagement with the operating groups, we have
20		identified under-used vehicles that are candidates for
21		pooling or retirement. Efforts are underway with
22		operating groups to finalize plans on how vehicles can
23		be removed from the fleet. The removal of these

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1 vehicles will eliminate their associated maintenance 2 costs and avoid expenditures to replace such vehicles. 3 Designs for a pooling program are underway and will 4 reduce costs by using existing vehicles more efficiently. Other efforts are underway to reduce 5 б costs associated with the maintenance of vehicles and various services associated with managing the fleet. 7 Shared Services developed the Transportation Fleet 8 9 Initiative savings by analyzing the Company's existing 10 fleet usage and identifying the under-used vehicle 11 population. Removing these vehicles from service or repurposing them will result in lower maintenance 12 13 costs and vehicle replacement expenditures. This 14 initiative will be ongoing through 2022 and provide 15 savings to other departments throughout the company. What are the Company's challenges to realizing the 16 Q. savings associated with the Transportation Fleet BCO 17 18 initiative?

A. Although the Company has completed a preliminary
review of its vehicle fleet and estimated how many
vehicles are under-used, it may find in implementing
this program that some of those "under-used" vehicles
are fully needed to support operations. The Company

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1 will actively monitor and respond to such needs so 2 that the initiative does not have an unintended 3 negative impact on the Company's core operations. Please describe Shared Services' fifth BCO initiative. 4 Q. 5 Shared Services' fifth BCO initiative, Facility Α. 6 Consolidations, involves the consolidation of the number of suppliers the Company currently uses to 7 support and maintain facilities in order to lower 8 costs, improve supplier performance and foster 9 10 internal efficiencies. Presently, the Company uses several dozen suppliers to perform a wide array of 11 services (e.g., snow removal, HVAC, plumbing) to 12 13 support and maintain the Company's portfolio of 14 buildings. Through supplier consolidation, Con Edison 15 expects to achieve better unit pricing by 16 consolidating the fragmented spending. The strategy is to select a single supplier, or a small number of 17 18 suppliers, with proven tools and metric driven processes, in order to improve the quality and 19 20 accuracy of performance. Internal costs may also be 21 lowered because these tools and processes are more 22 user-friendly, work flows can be automated, and the number of transactions is reduced. Shared Services 23

1		developed the projected savings associated with this
2		BCO initiative by estimating projected contractor cost
3		using a third party benchmark as compared with
4		historical spending. The program is expected to
5		produce cost savings starting in 2019 and during the
б		rate plan and will provide savings to other
7		departments throughout the company.
8	Q.	What are the Company's challenges to realizing the
9		savings associated with the Facility Consolidation BCO
10		initiative?
11	A.	Factors affecting the timing and amount of savings for
12		this BCO Initiative are:
13	•	Duration in searching, recruiting and hiring
14		professionals with the requisite skillsets and
15		capabilities for Con Edison's Procurement group to
16		execute the Category Management methodology
17		successfully; and
18	•	Outside influences (e.g., new laws and regulations)
19		that could impact negotiated contracts and lower
20		savings estimates.
21	Q.	Please describe Shared Services' sixth BCO initiative.
22	Α.	Shared Services' sixth BCO initiative, R&D, pertains
23		to the development and prioritization of R&D projects

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1 to facilitate cost reductions while also enhancing 2 project management capabilities to better track 3 savings and finalize projects for successful initiatives. R&D has an extensive portfolio of 4 projects in various stages of development ranging from 5 б ideation to ready-to-implement. The strategy is to focus on projects that deliver cost reduction 7 opportunities and productivity improvements. This is 8 a broad strategy across all operating areas. 9 In 10 addition, the strategy places a greater focus on 11 project management capacity within operations. This 12 will aid in the enhanced development and faster 13 implementation of R&D. The effort will also develop 14 processes and track cost reductions from completed R&D 15 initiatives that have been successfully implemented. 16 Shared Services developed the expected savings associated with this initiative by estimating 17 18 projected process improvements against existing practices to determine the net value savings. This 19 20 initiative will start producing savings in 2019 that 21 will continue through the rate period and provide 22 savings to other departments throughout the Company.

What are the challenges to realizing the savings 1 Ο. 2 associated with the R&D BCO initiative? 3 Realizing the savings associated with this BCO Α. 4 initiative is heavily dependent on the Company's R&D 5 projects resulting in process changes that lead to cost-savings. As R&D projects are difficult to б predict, the number of projects that will produce cost 7 savings, and the amount and timing of those savings is 8 9 uncertain.

Q. Please describe Shared Services' Astoria Operations
 BCO initiative.

Shared Services' seventh BCO initiative consists of a 12 Α. 13 fundamental re-visioning and redesign of the Astoria 14 Operations' shared services organization. The Company 15 plans to undertake a "clean sheet" conceptual redesign 16 of Astoria's shared services organization. The current Astoria organization consists of five 17 18 sections/functions (i.e., Cranes and Rigging, Fleet Operations, Technical Services, Capital Tools, and 19 20 Environmental Operations) and supports all areas of 21 operation for the Company at its Astoria location. 22 The initiative is currently underway and the Company 23 is in the process of mapping the different services at

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1 the Astoria location and fully understanding the costs necessary to operate the location. This effort will 2 3 be followed by identifying approaches to reduce costs, improve service levels and enhance efficiencies. 4 Such approaches may range from continuous improvements to 5 б contracting-out strategies. Specific approaches will be established in early-2019, followed by planning and 7 implementation throughout the rest of the year. 8 9 Shared Services developed the potential savings 10 associated with the Astoria Operations BCO initiative 11 by leveraging general industry knowledge and evaluating industry practices. This initiative will 12 13 start producing savings in 2019 that will continue 14 throughout the rate period and provide savings to 15 other departments throughout the Company. What are the challenges to realizing the savings 16 Q. associated with the Astoria Operations BCO initiative? 17 18 The Company's savings estimates for the Astoria Α. 19 Operations BCO initiative are quite preliminary. As 20 discussed above, the Company currently is developing a 21 redesign plan for the Astoria shared services 22 organization and based its projects on benchmarking with other companies. There will be differences in 23

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savings and approaches when the Company tailors its'
 redesign to Astoria.

3 Q. Please describe Shared Services' eighth BCO4 initiative.

5 Driven by the Supply Chain organization, the Α. Automation & Innovation BCO initiative focuses on the б application of lean processes and innovative 7 technology to existing business processes in order to 8 enhance efficiencies. The business processes being 9 10 reviewed have high transaction counts, are largely 11 manual in nature and are transacted primarily within Supply Chain with a small number transacted across the 12 13 Company. The strategy is to explore prevailing 14 industry trends and innovative technologies to reduce 15 transaction costs. Cost reductions may be achieved 16 through streamlining processes, automating manual processes, and optimizing existing transaction 17 18 systems. These efforts would reduce the number of labor hours needed to process transactions and savings 19 20 would be achieved through attrition over the Rate Case 21 period. Some solutions may include robotic process 22 automation, artificial intelligence or business 23 process outsourcing. Shared Services developed the

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1		potential savings associated with the Automation and
2		Innovation initiative by leveraging general industry
3		knowledge and evaluating industry practices. This
4		initiative will be ongoing through 2022 and provide
5		savings to other departments throughout the company.
6	Q.	What are the challenges to realizing the savings
7		associated with the Automation and Innovation BCO
8		Initiative?
9	A.	The major factors affecting the amount and timing of
10		savings for the Automation and Innovation BCO
11		initiative include:
12		• Complexities, costs and "time to market"
13		associated with integrating new software with
14		existing transaction platforms (e.g., Oracle);
15		• Duration in searching, recruiting and hiring
16		professionals with the requisite skillsets and
17		capabilities to deploy advanced technologies.
18	Q.	Do you have an exhibit that provides additional
19		information regarding the integrated supply project?
20	A.	Yes. Additional information is shown in Exhibit
21		(SSP-7) on the pages entitled "Shared Services -
22		Integrated Supply - Capital."

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- 1 Q. Were these exhibits prepared under the Panel's
- 2 direction and supervision?
- 3 A. Yes, they were.
- 4 MARK FOR IDENTIFICATION AS EXHIBIT ____ (SSP-7)
- 5 Q. Does this conclude this Panel's testimony?
- 6 A. Yes, it does.

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I. INTRODUCTION

1	Q.	Would the members of the Demand Analysis and Cost of Service
2		Panel (the "Panel") please state their names and business
3		address?
4	Α.	William Atzl, Yan Flishenbaum, Lucy Villeta, and Christine
5		Kim, 4 Irving Place, New York, New York 10003.
6	Q.	By whom are you employed, in what capacity, and what are your
7		professional backgrounds and qualifications?
8	A.	(Atzl) We are employees of Consolidated Edison Company of New
9		York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or the "Company"). I am Director of
10		the Rate Engineering Department. My background is as
11		follows: In 1983, I graduated from the State University of
12		New York at Stony Brook with a Bachelor of Engineering degree
13		in Mechanical Engineering. In 1989, I graduated from Pace
14		University with a Master of Business Administration degree in
15		Management Information Systems. I am a Licensed Professional
16		Engineer in the State of New York. My first job was with
17		Long Island Lighting Company in 1983 where I held the
18		position of Assistant Engineer in the New Business
19		Department. In 1984, I joined Orange and Rockland Utilities,
20		Inc. ("O&R") as a Commercial and Industrial Representative in
21		the Commercial Operations Department. At O&R, I also held
22		the positions of Commercial and Industrial Engineer, Program

1 Administrator - Demand-Side Management, Manager - Demand-Side Management Operations, Manager - Energy Services and Pricing, 2 3 and Manager - Regulatory Affairs. In October 1999, I joined 4 Con Edison and held the position of Department Manager -5 Electric and Gas Rate Design - O&R and Director prior to my present position. I have testified in numerous regulatory 6 7 proceedings before the New York State Public Service Commission ("Commission"), New Jersey Board of Public 8 9 Utilities and Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. 10 (Flishenbaum) I am a Department Manager in the Rate 11 Engineering Department. I received a Bachelor of Business 12 Administration Degree in Economics from Pace University in 13 2001 and a Master of Business Administration Degree in 14 Finance and Economics from New York University in 2008. In 15 2001, I began my employment with Con Edison in the Cost 16 Analysis Area of the Rate Engineering Department. In 2003, I 17 was promoted to Analyst, mainly involved in the development 18 of the costing methodologies related to unbundling. I was 19 promoted to Senior Analyst in 2005. In 2008, I was promoted 20 to Senior Rate Analyst responsible for developing the Company's cost-of-service models. In 2013 I was promoted to 21 22 Section Manager of the Electric Rates area of the Rate 23 Engineering Department. I was promoted to my current 24 position in 2016. I previously testified before this 25 Commission.

1 (Villeta) I am Section Manager of the Cost Analysis Section 2 of the Rate Engineering Department. I received a Bachelor of 3 Business Administration Degree in Finance with a minor in 4 Management Information Systems from Pace University in 5 September 1989. In October 1989, I began my employment with Con Edison as a Management Intern with rotational assignments 6 in Forecasting and Economic Analysis, Accounting Research and 7 Procedures ("ARP") and Power Generation Services. 8 In June 9 1990, I accepted my permanent assignment as an Associate 10 Accountant in ARP. In 1995, I was promoted to Budget Analyst 11 in Central Customer Service. In 1998, I was promoted to 12 Senior Analyst in Customer Operations responsible for 13 managing the Call Center and Service Center budget. In 2001, 14 I was promoted to Financial Manager of Staten Island and 15 Electric Services. I have been in my current position since 16 November 2005 and have previously testified before this Commission. 17

18 (Kim) I am the Section Manager of the Load Research section 19 in the Rate Engineering Department. In that capacity, I am 20 responsible for preparing demand analyses related to all Company services. Additionally, I have a variety of duties 21 22 related to load research sample design and data analysis. I 23 began my employment with Con Edison in 2010 as a Senior 24 Energy Analyst in Forecasting Services. In 2013 I moved into 25 Load Research as a Senior Rate Analyst and in 2018 was

1 promoted to Section Manager. I received a Bachelor of Arts 2 degree in Economics from New York University in 2007, and a 3 Master of Science degree in Quantitative Methods and Modeling from Baruch College in 2012. Prior to working for Con Edison, 4 5 I worked as an analyst for MCEnergy Inc., an energy б consulting company that provides consulting services and 7 negotiates energy deals for various real estate investment trusts throughout the country. I have not previously 8 testified before this Commission. 9 10 **II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY** 11 What is the purpose of the Panel's testimony? Ο. 12 Α. Our testimony: 13 presents the Company's Class Demand Study; (1)presents the Company's Electric Embedded Cost-of-14 (2) Service ("ECOS") study; and 15 16 presents an analysis of the Company's marginal (3) 17 transmission and distribution ("T&D") costs for 18 electric service and explains its status; and 19 (4) describes and requests capital funds for a computer 20 system enhancement program associated with performing 21 bill analyses on certain off-system data, including 22 enhancements to reflect changes to billing and data requirements and data handling. 23

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1		III. CLASS DEMAND STUDY
2	Q.	Have you prepared an exhibit showing the Class Demand Study?
3	A.	Yes. Exhibit (DAC-1) is entitled "Consolidated Edison
4		Company of New York, Inc., Class Demand Study - Electric
5		Department, Year 2017." It includes five pages of
б		descriptive text, a two-page index, and over 150 pages of
7		tabular reports.
8	Q.	Please describe the purpose of the Class Demand Study.
9	A.	The Class Demand Study presents energy and demand cost
10		responsibility measures for each Company service class and
11		for NYPA delivery service customers. These cost
12		responsibility measures, in turn, were used in the ECOS Study
13		presented in this proceeding.
14	Q.	Please describe the cost responsibility measures developed in
15		the Class Demand Study.
16	Α.	There are two general types of cost responsibility measures
17		used in the ECOS study - energy cost responsibility measures
18		and demand cost responsibility measures. Energy cost
19		responsibility measures reflect total kilowatthours that
20		customers use over the entire year. Demand cost
21		responsibility measures reflect customer demands during peak
22		periods and are divided into two categories. The first is
23		system peak responsibility, which reflects customer demands
24		at the time of the Con Edison system peak. The second is
25		class non-coincident peak responsibility, which reflects

1 customer demands at the times of individual class peaks. The 2 Class Demand Study develops a set of demand and energy cost 3 responsibility measures for various delivery systems. We 4 describe these delivery systems later in our testimony. What period does your study cover? 5 Q. б It covers calendar year 2017, and includes specific analyses Α. 7 of the summer and winter peak periods for that year. Please explain the general organization of Exhibit ____ (DAC-8 Ο. 9 1), Schedule 1. 10 The title page is followed by five pages of explanatory notes Α. 11 and an index for the study's tabular data. Tabular Reports 2 12 through 4 show step-by-step development of demand and energy 13 cost responsibility measures for each service class. Tabular 14 Reports 5 through 8 summarize results of the detailed class-15 by-class analyses contained in Reports 2 through 4. 16 Please summarize the demand and energy cost responsibility Ο. 17 measures developed in the Class Demand Study and indicate 18 where these data are found. 19 Α. The following table shows this information: 20 Report Number Cost Responsibility Measure 21 Energy Responsibility 5 22 Class Summer and Winter System 23 Peak Demand Responsibility 6 24 Class Summer and Winter Non-Coin.

25 Demand Resp. by Delivery System 8

Q. Please describe the explanatory notes that detail the method
 used in developing Exhibit ___ (DAC-1), Schedule 1.

3 The text briefly explains the procedures used to develop the Α. 4 class energy and demand responsibility estimates shown in the 5 It includes a short discussion of Con Edison's Exhibit. customer load testing program, which is the starting point 6 7 for many of the calculations in the Exhibit. Finally, it provides a brief description of each report in the Exhibit. 8 9 Please explain the analyses shown in Reports 2 through 4. Q. 10 These reports show the step-by-step development of demand Α. 11 cost responsibilities for each service class. Data are first 12 organized by energy or demand strata. The strata data are 13 then added to develop subclass data, and the subclass data are further aggregated into class data. Report 2 shows the 14 15 starting data utilized in developing the class demand 16 responsibilities. Report 2 shows either sample test customer 17 load research data or time-of-day billing profile data by 18 stratum.

19 Report 3 shows a summary of class population data by stratum20 for each service class.

21 Finally, Report 4 shows the resulting class demand

22 responsibilities by stratum for each service class.

Reports 2, 3, and 4 are provided by class for both the summerand winter peak periods.

Q. Please continue with your explanation of the remaining
 reports in this Exhibit.

3 Report 5 shows electrical energy flows for the Con Edison Α. System for the year 2017. This report forms the basis for 4 5 energy cost responsibility measures, and develops the annual energy flow, in kilowatthours, through the various paths of б 7 the electrical T&D system, starting at the system input level and continuing to the customers' meters. It considers cable 8 9 and equipment losses and unaccounted-for-energy. The report 10 shows total kilowatthours registered at the customers' 11 meters, total kilowatthours at the system input level, sales 12 to other utilities, and kilowatthours delivered to the local 13 distribution system.

14 Q. Please continue with your explanation of Report 5.

15 A. Report 5 also shows the kilowatthours distributed and sold, 16 the distribution efficiency for each delivery system, and the 17 resultant annual energy distribution efficiency for each 18 customer class. This efficiency calculation reflects the 19 various paths that energy takes from delivery system input to 20 customers.

21 Q. Please explain what you mean by "delivery system."

A. Power generally flows from generation sources to customer
loads through an electrical grid composed of high voltage
transmission lines and substations, and lower voltage
distribution lines and substations. For purposes of the

- Class Demand Study, the grid is subdivided into separate
 serially-connected systems, which are called delivery
 systems.
- 4 Q. Please continue with your explanation of the reports shown in
 5 Exhibit (DAC-1), Schedule 1.

6 A. Report 6 provides a summary of the class demand

7 responsibilities for each season, obtained from the

8 individual pages of Report 4. Report 6A develops the low
9 tension non-coincident billing kilowatts based on the low
10 tension kilowatthours shown in Report 5.

11 Report 7 is similar to Report 5, except that it shows in 12 greater detail the kilowatthour flow, by class, from the 13 system input level through the various delivery systems, to 14 the customers' meters.

Report 8 traces the class non-coincident summer and winter peak demands through the various levels of the delivery system, starting at the customers' meters and terminating at the system input level.

19 Q. As a typical example of the calculation procedure used for 20 each class in this exhibit, please describe the method 21 employed in developing the summer and winter class demand 22 responsibility estimates for Service Classification ("SC") 1, 23 the Residential and Religious class.

A. Referring first to Report 2 (summer page 1, winter page 1),
the data in Columns 3 through 9 were developed from load

1 tests that the Company performed on sample residential and 2 religious test customers. Column 2 lists the sample test 3 strata. Columns 3 and 4 show the range of consumption or demand for the customers in each test stratum. 4 Column 5 shows the number of customers in each stratum for which test 5 results were obtained. Column 6 shows the calculated average б 7 consumption or demand per customer for each test stratum. Columns 7 and 8 show the load test results reduced to average 8 9 kilowatts per customer for each test stratum. Column 7 lists 10 the average of July and August (December and January averages 11 are used for winter) maximum demands per customer. Column 8 12 lists the maximum coincident demand per customer for each 13 test stratum, based on averages for five selected system peak 14 days for the summer or five selected system peak days for the 15 winter during the test period. Column 9, derived from 16 Columns 7 and 8, shows the calculated coincidence factor for 17 each test stratum.

18 Q. Please describe the derivation of the coincidence factors. 19 Α. The coincidence factors are derived from interval-metered 20 data collected during the load test program. For each stratum of test customers, the recorded half-hourly demand 21 22 data obtained from each test location were averaged for the 23 five seasonal system peak days. For this study, the 24 coincidence factor is defined as the ratio of the per-25 customer maximum coincident half-hour demand of a stratum of

test customers, averaged for five days, to the per-customer individual maximum non-coincident half-hour demands of the test customers in that stratum.

4 Please continue your explanation of the SC 1 reports. Ο. 5 Turning to Report 3, the stratum definitions are shown in Α. б columns 3 and 4. The stratum level customer count and 7 kilowatthours for the residential class shown in columns 5 and 6 were derived from billing records for the year 2017. 8 9 Column 7 contains the average usage by stratum based on 10 columns 5 and 6. The summer and winter coincident maximum 11 half-hour demands for each stratum in the class population 12 were then calculated using the respective sample test stratum 13 load characteristics. These results appear in Column 11, and 14 the computations are described in footnotes.

15 Q. Please continue.

16 Since each stratum's maximum half-hour demand (shown in Α. 17 Column 11) occurs at different times, complete daily profile 18 curves were computed for each stratum in the class, again 19 based on test results. The summation of all 24-hour stratum 20 load curves at the customers' meters produced composite summer and winter load curves for the entire class. 21 The 22 summer and winter coincident half-hour demands for each stratum shown in Column 5 of Report 4 were obtained by 23 24 examining the stratum load curves at the time of the class 25 peak. The summer and winter class load curves were further

examined to determine the average class demands for the
 highest continuous four-hour period. Those results are shown
 in Column 6 of Report 4.

The demands described so far have all been based on 4 measurements and calculations at the customers' meters. 5 То determine the system input level class responsibility shown б 7 in Column 8, the class demand at the customers' meters was divided by the annual distribution efficiency for the class. 8 9 The class distribution efficiencies are shown on Report 5 of 10 this exhibit. After applying class distribution 11 efficiencies, the calculated grand total of all the class 12 load curves, developed through the procedures described thus 13 far, closely approximates but does not exactly match the 14 known total system load curve at each half-hour. The total 15 discrepancy during the high load periods of the day is 16 generally found to be a few percent during any half-hour. 17 For sampled classes, a percentage adjustment factor for every 18 half-hour was applied to each of the class demands. For 19 those classes with sampled test data that were borrowed, an 20 adjustment factor equal to two times the above-mentioned adjustment factor was applied. Classes that are 100% 21 22 profile-metered did not receive any adjustment. After adjusting the class data, the total of all class profiles 23 24 exactly matched the total system load curve. The demand 25 values in Columns 7, 9, and 10 of Report 4 are the adjusted

class demands. These values are the average demands obtained
 from class load profiles for the four peak hours of the
 seasonal system peak load shape or the class peak load shape.
 Q. Please continue with the explanation of the development of
 the demands for SC 1.

A. Report 6 (starting at Page 6-1), Columns 5, 6, 7, and 8,
summarizes the class seasonal demand responsibilities
developed in Report 4. Report 6A (starting at Page 6A-1),
Column 7, develops the low tension non-coincident billing
kilowatts, using the total non-coincident billing kilowatts
in Report 3 and the relationship of low tension kilowatthours
to total kilowatthours found in Report 5.

13 Report 7 (starting at page 7-1) provides a more detailed 14 analysis of the kilowatthour flow for each class through each 15 of the delivery systems listed in Column 3. Column 4, which 16 comes directly from Report 5, Column 4, shows total kilowatthours (high tension plus low tension service) 17 18 delivered to customers' meters. Column 5 of Report 7 shows 19 only low tension kilowatthours delivered to the customers' 20 meters. Column 6 shows kilowatthour input to the secondary (line) transformers, and Column 7 shows kilowatthours 21 22 distributed at the system input level. Kilowatthours shown 23 in Columns 6 and 7 are calculated using the electrical path 24 efficiencies shown in Report 5.
Report 8 (starting at Page 8-1) traces the four-hour class non-coincident peak, obtained from Column 7 of Report 4, through each of the delivery systems shown in Columns 5 through 7. Report 8 utilizes the energy flows shown in Report 7, and assumes that the energy delivered through each component of the system has a load factor identical to that of the entire class.

8 Q. Do the computations and analyses, which you have just
9 described for SC 1, apply to the other classes shown in this
10 exhibit?

A. Yes. With a few exceptions, which we will describe, the
analyses for the remaining classes are similar to those for
SC 1.

14 Q. Please describe the exceptions to which you referred.

A. For customers served under time-of-day rates, the data shown
in Report 2 were obtained from the time-of-day billing
profile recorders.

For street lighting and traffic signals load shape estimation, lamp wattages in service and lamp burning hours (with an allowance made for lamp outages) were used to arrive at the estimated class demand responsibilities.

For computing class demand responsibilities for NYPA Delivery
Service to the railroad or electric traction customers,

24 including New York City Transit Authority Substation Delivery

- to the subway systems, high tension demands were obtained
 from billing recorder profiles.
- 3 Q. Were any changes in methodology made to the development of4 demand cost allocation factors?
- 5 The Company load (represented by SC99 in the exhibits) Α. Yes. б was included in the Class Demand Study so that the usage incurred by Company facilities (which accounts for 0.18% of 7 8 the Total System Load) would be accounted for, as it would 9 otherwise be captured in Unaccounted for Losses. This will 10 aid in the effort to mitigate socialized losses to other 11 service classes included in the study.
- Q. Does the calculation of the Company load in the Class Demand
 Study follow the methodology of the other service classes?
 A. Yes. All the calculations done with the Company load follow
- 15 the methodology described for Reports 2 through 8 above.
- 16

IV. ECOS STUDY

- 17 Q. Did you prepare an exhibit showing the ECOS study and18 unbundled cost components analysis?
- A. Yes, Exhibit (DAC-2) is entitled "Consolidated Edison
 Company of New York, Inc. Embedded Cost of Service -
- 21 Electric Department Year 2017 Rates in Effect January 1,
- 22 2019."
- 23 Q. Please provide a general description of the ECOS study.
- A. The ECOS study and unbundled cost components exhibit consistsof five schedules. Schedule 1 shows the results of the

1 study. Schedule 2 shows the Merchant Function Charge ("MFC") calculations. Schedule 3 shows the unbundled metering costs, 2 3 consisting of the meter ownership, meter service provider 4 (including meter installations) and meter data service 5 provider functions. Schedule 4 shows metering costs associated with customers eligible for the Mandatory Hourly б 7 Pricing ("MHP") program. They consist of the meter ownership, meter service provider (including meter 8 9 installations) and meter data service provider costs the 10 Company incurs to serve MHP-eligible customers. Schedule 5 11 shows the unbundled costs for printing and mailing a bill and 12 receipts processing functions.

13 Q. Please continue.

14 A. The ECOS study (Schedule 1) analyzes, on a class basis for a
15 past period, revenues and book (accounting) costs for
16 specific cost categories.

17 Q. What cost categories are analyzed in this ECOS study? 18 Α. The ECOS study analyzes costs and revenues associated with 19 the Company's delivery system (i.e., transmission and 20 distribution), and customer-related cost categories or functions, and also includes cost categories related to the 21 22 electric merchant function, competitive metering functions, 23 MHP functions, the receipts processing function and the 24 printing and mailing a bill function. The major supply 25 function costs, i.e., purchased power and generation costs,

are not included in the ECOS study. Also, revenues and expenses associated with the uncollectible component of the MFC, System Benefits Charge ("SBC"), Demand Side Management ("DSM"), and Regulatory 18-A Assessment have been excluded from the study.

6 Q. What time period does the ECOS study cover?

7 A. The study covers Con Edison's electric operations for the8 calendar year 2017.

9 What electric revenues are reflected in the ECOS study? Q. 10 Electric revenues reflect 2017 customer usage priced at Α. 11 delivery rates which went into effect January 1, 2019. 12 What customer classes are analyzed in the ECOS study? Ο. 13 Α. The study analyzes classes of customers corresponding to SCs contained in our electric rate schedules, including retail 14 15 access customers and customers of NYPA served by Con Edison

16 under the P.S.C. No. 12 - Electricity schedule.

Q. Did the Panel make any methodological changes to the ECOSStudy since the Company's last filing?

19 Α. Yes. The Panel has refined the minimum system methodology 20 for the development of demand and customer components of 21 In the case of underground transformers, transformers. 22 network protectors, including related equipment, we have 23 classified them as entirely demand related in the process of 24 developing demand and customer components for this asset 25 Network protectors are associated with network class.

1 transformers that have a much larger kVA rating than the 2 range of underground transformers reflected in the Company's 3 minimum system calculation.

4 Q. Please continue.

11

5 A. Similarly, in the development of demand and customer
6 components of overhead transformers, the Panel has classified
7 capacitors and voltage regulators as entirely demand related
8 as their kVA ratings are outside the range used in the
9 minimum system calculation.

- 10 Q. Please continue with a description of the ECOS study and
- 12 A. The results of the ECOS study are expressed as Total Company

explain how the results of the ECOS study are expressed.

13 ("total system") and class rates of return.

- 14 Q. What is the total system rate of return shown in the ECOS 15 study?
- 16 A. The total system rate of return is 10.24% as shown on Table 1, Page 1, Column (1), Line 17 of the ECOS study. In addition, Table 1 shows rates of return for all classes analyzed in the ECOS study. For example, the SC 1 return is 9.95%, the SC 9-General Large-Non-Time-of-Day ("NTD") return is 10.67% and the NYPA return is 9.20%.
- Q. Has the Commission historically employed "tolerance bands"
 around the system rate of return in developing class revenue
 responsibilities?

Yes. Based on past practice, class revenue responsibility 1 Α. 2 has been measured with respect to a +10% tolerance band 3 around the total system rate of return. Classes would not be considered "surplus" or "deficient" if the class ECOS rate of 4 return falls within this tolerance band. Classes that fall 5 outside this range would be either surplus or deficient by 6 7 the revenue amount, including appropriate state and federal 8 income taxes, necessary to bring the realized return to the 9 upper or lower level of the band. We propose to continue 10 this practice in this case.

11 Based on the application of the +10% tolerance band around Ο. 12 the calculated total system rate of return of 10.24%, what 13 are the ECOS study class surpluses and deficiencies? 14 Α. The revenue surpluses are shown on Table 1, Line 26 and the 15 revenue deficiencies are shown on Line 27. For example, the 16 NYPA class has a revenue deficiency of \$348,919 below the 17 lower level of the tolerance band. The SC 9-General Large-18 TOD class has a revenue surplus of \$5,453,743 above the upper 19 level of the tolerance band.

Q. What is the significance, for example, of the NYPA classdeficiency?

A. The deficiency is the amount of revenue increase, at current
rates, required to bring NYPA's return to the lower level of
the tolerance band around the system rate of return.

Q. Please describe what is shown on Table 1A, which is the last
 page of Exhibit ____ (DAC-2).

3 Due to the application of a 10% tolerance band around the Α. system rate of return, the total of the ECOS surpluses and 4 5 deficiencies in this study is a net system surplus. To ensure that ECOS study indications are revenue neutral to the б Company, Table 1A adjusts classes with a rate of return below 7 8 the system average based on their respective non-competitive 9 delivery revenues used in the study to offset the net system 10 surplus.

11 Q. Were any further adjustments made to Table 1A?

A. Yes, based on review of the ECOS study results, the Panel
chose to exclude the SC 13 cost indications from the Table 1A
analysis.

15 Q. Please explain the reasoning behind this decision.

16 A. SC 13 has only one account, a large residential housing 17 complex that currently operates its own generator. Its use 18 of the Con Edison system is erratic, changing not only from 19 day to day, but from one cost study to another.

20 Specifically, the current transmission and high tension

allocation factors for this class are roughly 41% and 33%,

22 respectively, of their 2013 equivalents.

Q. Why would you choose to exclude the ECOS Study results for SC 13 from the Table 1A analysis and not do the same for other classes?

A. Recognizing the \$2.2 million surplus, which is over 80% of
 the SC 13 class revenues, could create tremendous rate
 instability. To change rates now, knowing that the cost
 indications could shift significantly in the next study, does
 not allow for proper cost assignment to a customer whose
 potential use of the Company's distribution system remains
 unchanged.

8 Q. Please continue with your explanation of Table 1A.

9 A. A check was made to make sure that classes affected by the adjustment described above remained within the tolerance band after reflecting the adjustments shown in Table 1A. The adjusted ECOS study indications are used in revenue allocation as described in the testimony of the Electric Rate Panel.

Q. Let us now turn to the methodology used in developing the
ECOS study. Please describe the procedures followed in the
preparation of this study.

18 A. There are two main steps in the preparation of the ECOS
19 study: (1) functionalization and classification of costs to
20 operating functions, such as transmission, distribution,
21 customer accounting and customer service with further
22 division into sub-functions, such as distribution demand,
23 distribution customer, and services; and (2) allocation of
24 these functionalized costs to customer classes.

Q. Please describe the functionalization and classification
 step.

3 The functionalization and classification step assigns the Α. 4 broad accounting-based cost categories to the more detailed categories employed in the ECOS study. This level of detail 5 is required to differentiate, for example, demand-related 6 7 costs from customer-related costs. This allows for the 8 proper allocation of these costs to the classes based on cost 9 causation.

10 Q. Please continue.

11 During the process of functionalization, all costs are Α. 12 classified as being demand-related, energy-related or 13 customer-related. Demand-related costs are fixed costs 14 created by the loads placed on the various components of the 15 electric system. Energy-related costs are variable costs 16 resulting from the total kilowatthours delivered during the year. Customer-related costs are fixed costs that are caused 17 18 by the presence of customers connected to the system, 19 regardless of the amounts of their demand or energy usage. 20 Ο. Please describe the allocation step in the study. The allocation step allocates the functionalized and 21 Α. classified costs to the customer classes based on the 22 23 appropriate demand, energy or customer allocation factors, 24 which are shown on Table 7 of the ECOS study. 25 Please explain the general organization of the ECOS study. Q.

A. The ECOS study begins with explanatory notes detailing
 sources of data and methods used in the preparation of the
 ECOS study followed by seven tables of cost data.
 Q. Does the ECOS study present unbundled functional costs for
 competitive services as set forth in the Commission's

6 Statement of Policy on Unbundling and Order Directing Tariff

7 <u>Filings</u>, issued August 25, 2004, in Case 00-M-0504

8 ("Unbundling Policy Statement")?

9 A. Yes. The ECOS study separately identifies the following
10 competitive functions: merchant function, meter ownership,
11 meter service provider, meter installations, meter data
12 service provider, receipts processing, and printing and
13 mailing a bill.

14 Q. What costs are included in the merchant function?

15 A. The merchant function contains costs associated with procuring 16 electric commodity, including an allocation of customer care-17 related activities, customer service-related activities, and 18 Information Technology.

19 Q. What costs are included in the allocation of customer care and 20 customer service-related activities?

A. The customer care allocation includes costs associated with the Company's Call Centers, Service Centers, and credit and collection/theft activities. The customer service allocation also includes an assignment of outreach and education costs.
Q. How were these costs allocated to the merchant function?

A. Pursuant to the Unbundling Policy Statement, customer care and
 customer service-related costs were allocated to the merchant
 function on the basis of total revenues (including SBC,
 Regulatory 18-A Assessment, MSC, MAC, T&D, NYPA, MFC,
 Metering and BPP revenues).

How were IT costs allocated to the merchant function? б Ο. 7 Pursuant to the Unbundling Policy Statement, IT costs were Α. allocated on the basis of total revenues with 50 percent of 8 9 the resultant allocation included in the merchant function. 10 Have you further unbundled the merchant function for use in Q. 11 developing rate components for competitive services? 12 Α. Yes. The ECOS study includes the development of separate 13 supply-related and credit and collection-related ("C&C-14 related") MFC components to recover the costs for these 15 commodity-related competitive services from three categories 16 of customers.

17 Q. How have you defined these costs?

18 Α. The MFC is made up of two components. The first consists of 19 the costs associated with procuring commodity and an allocation of IT and outreach and education associated with 20 21 commodity (hereafter referred to as the competitive supply-22 related MFC component). The second consists of costs associated with credit and collection/theft (hereafter 23 24 referred to as the competitive credit and collection related 25 MFC component). Only full service customers will pay the

- 1 competitive supply-related and competitive credit and collection-related MFC components. 2 3 How are these components allocated to the service Ο. 4 classifications within the study? 5 One hundred percent of electric procurement activity costs and Α. б 25 percent of credit and collection/theft, IT, and outreach 7 and education costs were allocated on a per kilowatthour basis. The remaining 75 percent of credit and 8 9 collection/theft, IT, and outreach and education costs were 10 allocated on a per customer basis. 11 Why were the customer care-type costs, such as credit and Ο. 12 collection/theft, allocated predominantly on the basis of 13 number of customers, while the electric procurement activity 14 was allocated entirely on a volumetric (i.e., kWh consumption) 15 basis? 16 The Company followed basic cost causation principles and Α. 17 determined that customer care-type activities are 18 predominantly driven by the existence of customers on the 19 system as opposed to their usage characteristics. 20 On the other hand, the functional cost of purchasing commodity is aligned with sales volumes. This allocation is consistent 21 22 with the Order Adopting Unbundled Rates and Backout Credits 23 and Specifying Terms for the Recovery of Revenues Lost As a
- 24 Result of Such Rates and Credits, issued April 15, 2005, in

Case 04-E-0572, ("April 15 Order"), approving Con Edison's
 unbundled rates.

3 Q. Is the allocation of the MFC components to various groups of 4 customers shown in Exhibit ____ (DAC-2)?

Schedule 2 of Exhibit ____ (DAC-2), pages 1 and 2, shows 5 Α. Yes. б the allocation of the competitive supply-related MFC cost 7 components and the competitive C&C-related MFC cost components to the residential and two non-residential/commercial 8 9 categories of customers. The Exhibit presents these two 10 components as percentages of total revenues, i.e., the sum of 11 the T&D and competitive revenues (MFC, Metering, BPP and POR 12 Discount Credit and Collection revenues) used in the ECOS 13 study. Separate percentages are shown for the residential and 14 the two non-residential/commercial groups of customers for use in the development of the MFC, as detailed in the testimony of 15 16 the Electric Rate Panel.

17 Q. Did the Company unbundle costs associated with metering?

18 A. Yes. The Company unbundled the metering function and created
19 five separate costing functions: (1) Meter Ownership, (2)
20 Meter Service Provider, (3) Meter Installations, (4) Meter

21 Data Service Provider and (5) Utility Metering.

Q. Did the Company allocate the separate metering functions tovarious groups of customers?

A. Yes. Schedule 3, pages 1, 2 and 3 of Exhibit ____ (DAC-2),
shows the allocation of the metering functions to the customer

classes eligible to take metering services competitively.
 Schedule 3 presents the costs for the competitive metering
 functions as percentages of the T&D and competitive revenues
 (MFC, Metering and BPP revenues) used in the ECOS study.
 Separate percentages are shown for the CECONY and the NYPA
 Non-Time-of-Day classes.

Q. How are the unbundled metering costs for MHP-eligible8 customers shown in the ECOS study?

Schedule 4, of Exhibit ____ (DAC-2), separately identifies 9 Α. 10 metering costs associated with customers that are MHP-11 eligible within the conventional SC 8, 9 and 12 service classes and the TOD SC 5, 8,9, 12 and 13 service classes. 12 13 These costs are shown in the ECOS as separate MHP functions. The functions are (1) meter ownership-MHP; (2) meter service 14 15 provider-MHP which contains costs associated with installing 16 and maintaining interval meters; and (3) the meter data 17 service provider-MHP function, which consists of phone line 18 installation costs and ongoing meter reading and communication expenses. Schedule 4 of Exhibit ____ (DAC-2) 19 20 shows the above described components of the \$95.22 MHP metering charge. 21 22

Q. Is the allocation of unbundled costs for the printing and
mailing a bill and receipts processing functions shown on
Exhibit (DAC-2), Schedule 5?

Yes. Schedule 5 of Exhibit (DAC-2), pages 1 and 2, shows 1 Α. 2 the unbundled costs for printing and mailing a bill and 3 receipts processing functions. The printing and mailing a bill function and the receipts processing function consist of 4 5 the customer accounting expense of accepting customer payments and billing customers, including both direct costs and an 6 7 allocation for Call Center and Walk-in Center operations based on a detailed study of those activities. Credit and 8 9 collection, education and outreach, and uncollectibles 10 expenses were allocated to these functions on the basis of 11 functional revenues. The unbundled average unit cost for 12 receipts processing is 57 cents per bill. The average unit 13 cost for printing and mailing a bill is 61 cents per bill. The costs for these two functions combined yield \$1.18 per 14 bill in unbundled costs. The costs associated with billing 15 16 and payment processing do not vary by service classification 17 and, thus, the system-wide \$1.18 per bill in unbundled costs 18 is applicable to all service classifications. The Electric 19 Rate Panel makes a recommendation about how to handle these 20 costs.

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V. MARGINAL COST ANALYSIS

Q. Did you perform an analysis of the marginal cost to supply an additional kW of load on the transmission and distribution (T&D) delivery system?

A. Yes, the analysis is shown on Exhibit ____ (DAC-3),
 "Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. - Electric
 Marginal Cost of Service Analysis."

4 Q. Please provide a general background and description of the
5 marginal cost analysis that you are presenting.

The Commission's Order Approving Electric and Gas Rate Plans, б Α. 7 issued January 25, 2017, in Case 16-E-0060 directed that a 8 more granular marginal cost study be performed. The Company 9 retained the Brattle Group, Inc. ("Brattle") to direct this 10 effort and a revised marginal cost study was prepared. The 11 Company filed the results of this study in Cases 16-M-0411 12 Distributed System Implementation Plan (DSIP), 16-E-0060 and 13 15-E-0751, In the Matter of the Value of Distributed Energy Resources ("VDER"), on July 31, 2018. A summary of the 14 15 revised marginal cost study showing total system marginal 16 costs is attached as an Exhibit to this testimony, Exhibit ____ (DAC-3). 17

18 Q. Please provide a general description of the revised marginal19 cost study.

A. As a result of the collaboration with Brattle, the marginal cost analysis was developed at the network/substation level, using projected costs and loads that cover the 10-year time period used in the study. The study calculates marginal cost as the unit investment (in dollars per kilowatt, \$/kW) needed to accommodate incremental load growth at the levels in the

study. This unit investment is based on the net cost of incremental capacity resulting from the investment. To account for the difference in installation years, the study converts the calculated marginal cost values into net present values ("NPVs"). The marginal costs are derived to the maximum extent practicable from either engineering estimates or actual costs of specific projects.

8 Q. Please continue.

9 The study covers load areas served by the Company's network Α. 10 and radial systems. The study develops marginal costs by 11 identifying load growth that drives expansion of a system 12 element and examining the costs of constructing and operating 13 that element. More specifically, the study identified five cost centers of the transmission and distribution system 14 15 where expansions due to load growth were or are planned. 16 They are:

17 1. High Voltage System Cost Center (Transmission)

18 2. Load Area Substation and Sub-transmission Cost Center

19 3. Primary Feeder Cost Center

20 4. Distribution Transformer Cost Center

21 5. Secondary Cable Cost Center

For each cost center, the study develops the unit cost of planned or undertaken projects to serve incremental demand. The study converts total investment dollars to annual marginal costs using carrying charges, O&M and other

applicable loading factors, such as common plant and working capital. For transmission, sub-transmission and area station segments of the system, marginal costs were developed on a year-by-year basis to reflect the phased-in nature of the Company's construction schedules for these portions of the system, which often cover a number of years.

7 Q. Please continue.

8 A. We developed marginal costs for the primary, transformer and
9 secondary segments of the system based on samples of recent
10 engineering jobs. These samples reflected both network and
11 non-network investment.

12 Q. Turning to Exhibit ____ (DAC-3), please describe this Exhibit.
13 A. Exhibit ____ (DAC-3) presents total system transmission and
14 distribution marginal costs. These costs are presented in
15 nominal dollars and are stated on a per-kW of system peak
16 basis.

Q. Did the Panel develop a comparison of marginal costs to
current T&D revenues for guidance in setting rates under
economic development programs?

20 A. No. Given the current uncertainty around the technical21 aspects of distribution marginal cost estimation, as

22 expressed in the Staff Whitepaper Regarding Future Value

23 Stack Compensation, Including For Avoided Distribution Costs,

24 filed December 12, 2018, in Case 15-E-0751 ("Staff

25 Whitepaper"), the status of the revised marginal cost study

1 is unclear. It's unclear whether studies such as our revised 2 marginal cost study will be approved by the Commission, for 3 example in Case 15-E-0751, as a proper representation of our marginal costs,. We believe that the revised marginal cost 4 study, if it is to be used, should be used for all relevant 5 purposes, e.g., DER compensation and guidance for the 6 7 development of economic development rate reductions. 8 Accordingly, the Company does not support using the revised 9 marginal cost study to guide the development of economic 10 development rate reductions if the Commission does not adopt 11 it for DER compensation and other relevant purposes. 12 In addition, we note that we may further update this analysis 13 during this rate case depending on developments in the 14 process for reviewing marginal cost studies that may occur in 15 the context of the DSIP filings. We note that in the Staff 16 Whitepaper, Staff states (p. 4) that the appropriate forum for 17 considering marginal cost study improvement and associated 18 deliberations is as part of utility DSIP filings.

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VI. RATE CASE ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT

Q. Please describe the Company's Customer Usage System ("CUS").
A. The purpose of CUS is to centralize and summarize data
necessary for Rate Engineering to report on or develop various
rate structures. CUS is integral to Rate Engineering's
overall strategic system replacement plan, which includes the
replacement, enhancement, and integration of the functionality

1 of four separate obsolete mainframe systems that we use. Over 2 the last few years, as we have completed and tested new 3 components, a need has arisen for additional functional 4 enhancements to support electric and gas demand analysis, rate 5 design, and rate impact activities and to expand functionality 6 to improve efficiency and decrease the need for manual 7 processes.

A number of items are being addressed within the scope of this 8 9 Rate Case Enhancement project: (1) system requirements 10 associated with anticipated billing changes not included in 11 the original scope (e.g., capacity tag billing, net metering, 12 campus billing, incentive rate designs, and REV proceeding 13 outcomes); (2) technology and software enhancements including the need for additional fields, derivations, and data mining; 14 15 (3) further automation related to the creation and storage of 16 load shapes, e.g., Independent System Operator (ISO) market 17 support activities, enhancements to the existing Load Shape 18 Library, and the linkage of load shape storage facilities such 19 as Meter Data Management to Dynamic Load Shaping modules; and 20 (4) additional server purchases and installation costs 21 required to store larger volumes of customer billing and 22 interval data. As Rate Engineering demands continue to 23 evolve, it is critical that we have a flexible system to handle rate case analytic needs as they arise. 24

25 Q. Please describe the Rate Case Enhancements project.

1 The on-going Customer Usage System (CUS) project began because Α. 2 certain legacy systems were coded in software that is now 3 obsolete. The goal is to replace and retire the existing 4 legacy processes to achieve an integrated data warehouse and 5 to automate production of snapshot billing determinant reports, which will eliminate the need to manually query 6 7 multiple sources on multiple platforms. The CUS project will 8 facilitate a more thorough and timely rate analyses, and CUS 9 will function as a strategic data warehouse for Rate 10 Engineering and other users across the Company. Moreover, 11 without these enhancements, the Company will not be able to 12 meet certain reporting requirements, such as reactive power 13 data, when the legacy systems are retired. 14 Ο. What specific enhancement projects are you proposing? 15 This enhancement project will serve to integrate and Α. 16 centralize billing determinants and reports used for rate and 17 bill impact analyses, allow for the evaluation of alternative 18 rate designs, and eliminate numerous manual processes 19 currently performed in rate design, bill impact analysis, and 20 demand analysis. Please discuss the timeline and funding associated with this 21 Q. 22 project.

A. This project is budgeted as multi-year capital projects with
 total expected expenditures of \$9.8 million, covering the six -year planning horizon through 2023.

1	Q.	Is this system solely for electric-related data and analyses?
2	Α.	No. Please see the testimony of the Gas Rate Panel on this
3		subject.
4	Q.	Have you prepared, or had prepared under your supervision, an
5		exhibit entitled "RATE CASE ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT," Exhibit
6		(DAC-4), that describes the capital expenditures as well as
7		these enhancements?
8	Α.	Yes.

9 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

10 A. Yes.

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1		INTRODUCTION
2	Q.	Would the members of the Electric Rate Panel (the
3		"Panel") please state their names and business address?
4	Α.	William Atzl, Ricky Joe, and Sherry Sung, 4 Irving Place,
5		New York, New York 10003.
6	Q.	By whom are you employed, in what capacity, and what are
7		your professional backgrounds and qualifications?
8	A.	(Atzl) We are employees of Consolidated Edison Company of
9		New York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or the "Company"). I am
10		Director of the Rate Engineering Department. My
11		background is as follows: In 1983, I graduated from the
12		State University of New York at Stony Brook with a
13		Bachelor of Engineering degree in Mechanical Engineering.
14		In 1989, I graduated from Pace University, White Plains,
15		New York with a Master of Business Administration degree
16		in Management Information Systems. I am a Licensed
17		Professional Engineer in the State of New York. My first
18		job was with Long Island Lighting Company in 1983 where I
19		held the position of Assistant Engineer in the New
20		Business Department. In 1984, I joined Orange and
21		Rockland Utilities, Inc. ("O&R") as a Commercial and
22		Industrial Representative in the Commercial Operations

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1 Department. At O&R, I also held the positions of Commercial and Industrial Engineer, Program Administrator 2 3 - Demand-Side Management, Manager - Demand-Side Management Operations, Manager - Energy Services and 4 5 Pricing, and Manager - Regulatory Affairs. In October 1999, I joined Con Edison and held the position of 6 7 Department Manager - Electric and Gas Rate Design - O&R 8 and Director prior to my present position. I have 9 testified in numerous regulatory proceedings before the 10 New York State Public Service Commission ("Commission"), 11 New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("NJBPU") and 12 Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PAPUC"). 13 (Joe) I am a Department Manager in the Rate Engineering 14 Department. In 1993, I graduated from Rutgers College 15 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. In 2001, I 16 graduated from the Rutgers Graduate School of Management, with a Master's degree in Business Administration in 17 18 Finance. I joined Con Edison in 2004 as a Senior Analyst 19 in the Rate Engineering Department and worked in 20 positions of increasing responsibility through 2012. In 21 those positions, I worked on rate-related matters for O&R, including its regulated utility subsidiaries, as 22

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1	well as for Con Edison. In 2012, I moved to a position
2	working on Con Edison electric and steam rate matters and
3	gained more responsibilities with the promotion to my
4	current position. Prior to joining Con Edison, I was
5	employed by the NJBPU from 1993 to 2000,
6	PricewaterhouseCoopers from 2000 to 2003, and Amerada
7	Hess Corporation from 2003 to 2004. I have testified
8	before the Commission, the NJBPU and the PAPUC.
9	(Sung) I hold the position of Senior Analyst in the Rate
10	Engineering Department. In 2001, I graduated from Pace
11	University with a Bachelor of Business Administration
12	Degree in Management Science and minors in Mathematics
13	and Finance. I joined Con Edison in 2017 and am
14	responsible for revenue allocation and rate design for
15	the Company's electric customers. Prior to joining Con
16	Edison, I was employed by National Grid. I joined
17	National Grid (formerly KeySpan Energy) as an intern in
18	1999 in the Strategic Planning Department. Upon
19	graduation, I moved to a position in the Gas Marketing
20	Department and subsequently held positions of increasing
21	responsibilities in the Regulatory and Pricing Department

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1		and the Gas Finance Department. I have not testified
2		before the Commission.
3		SCOPE OF TESTIMONY
4	Q.	What is the scope of your direct testimony in this
5		proceeding?
6	Α.	Our testimony:
7		(1) presents the Company's proposal for revenue
8		allocation and rate design;
9		(2) discusses the relationships between high tension and
10		low tension rates in certain demand billed service
11		classifications ("SCs");
12		(3) presents revenue and bill impacts showing the total
13		bill effect of the proposed delivery rate changes on
14		customers' bills and Company revenues, including
15		three years of bill projections for selected
16		customer usage levels in major classes that not only
17		show the effects of the proposed delivery rate
18		increase, but those of expected changes in certain
19		other charges, such as changes in supply costs;
20		(4) proposes changes to the Business Incentive Rate
21		("BIR") regarding the term for the BIR rate
22		reductions and the provision of electric facilities

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1		for publicly accessible electric vehicle ("EV")
2		quick charging stations; and
3		(5) describes proposed changes to the Company's Schedule
4		for Electricity Service, P. S. C. No. 10 -
5		Electricity ("Electric Tariff") and Schedule for
6		PASNY Delivery Service P. S. C. No. 12 - Electricity
7		("PASNY Tariff") and other related tariff matters.
8	Q.	Is the Panel sponsoring any exhibits?
9	A.	Yes, we are sponsoring three exhibits:
10		• Exhibit (ERP-1) High Tension / Low Tension Rate
11		Differentials, Schedules 1-5;
12		• Exhibit (ERP-2) - Rate Design, Schedules 1-9;
13		and
14		• Exhibit (ERP-3) - Summary of Economic
15		Development Programs of Other Utilities.
16		REVENUE ALLOCATION
17	Q.	Did the Accounting Panel supply you with the increased
18		delivery revenue requirement for the twelve-month period
19		ending December 31, 2020 (the "Rate Year")?
20	Α.	Yes, the increased delivery revenue requirement for the
21		Rate Year amounts to \$485.4 million, including \$14.7
22		million related to gross receipts taxes ("GRT"), which

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1		means the net increased delivery revenue requirement is
2		\$470.7 million. For purposes of this testimony,
3		"delivery revenue" will designate amounts associated with
4		total delivery, including competitive and non-competitive
5		amounts as well as certain items related to the Company's
6		Monthly Adjustment Clause ("MAC"). References to
7		transmission and distribution delivery revenue ("T&D
8		delivery revenue") will reflect delivery amounts
9		excluding the MAC items.
10	Q.	Please describe the components of the \$470.7 million net
11		increased delivery revenue requirement.
12	Α.	The total net increased delivery revenue requirement of
13		\$470.7 million reflects: (1) a \$456.0 million increase in
14		T&D delivery revenues, (2) a 6.5 million increase in the
15		retained generation component of the MAC, (3) a $\$3.4$
16		million decrease in purchased power working capital, and
17		(4) a \$11.6 million increase associated with the transfer
18		of Energy Efficiency Transition Implementation Plan
19		("ETIP") costs that are currently recovered through a
20		surcharge, i.e., System Benefits Charge ("SBC"), to
21		delivery rates as proposed by the Accounting Panel and

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- Customer Energy Solutions ("CES") Panel and as discussed
 further below.
- 3 Q. Please explain the classes to which these components are4 allocable.
- 5 The T&D delivery revenue increase is allocated to Α. 6 customers taking service under the Electric Tariff ("Con 7 Edison Customers") and to the New York Power Authority ("NYPA" or "PASNY"). The increase in the retained 8 9 generation component of the MAC is allocated to Con 10 Edison full service and retail access customers. The 11 decrease in purchased power working capital is allocated 12 to Con Edison full service customers. The ETIP costs 13 that were transferred to delivery rates are allocated to 14 Con Edison full service and retail access customers. 15 Q. Please provide an overview of how you allocated the 16 Company's T&D delivery revenue increase among Con Edison customers and NYPA. 17
- 18 A. We performed the following steps in allocating the T&D19 delivery revenue increase:
- Based on the rates that became effective January 1,
 2019 ("Current Rates"), we established the revenue
 for the rate year ("Current Revenue Level").

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1 Con Edison and NYPA Rate Year T&D delivery revenues 2 at the Current Revenue Level were realigned based on 3 Table 1A of the Company's 2017 Embedded Cost of Service ("ECOS") study, which is Exhibit (DAC-2) 4 5 - Schedule 1 in the Electric Demand Analysis and Cost of Service ("DAC") Panel testimony. To 6 mitigate bill impacts for certain classes (i.e., SC 7 5 Rate I and SC 6), we propose to realign revenues 8 9 in the Rate Year based on one-third of the revenue adjustments shown on Table 1A. Our intent is to 10 11 further realign revenues based on the remaining two-12 thirds of the revenue adjustments shown on Table 1A 13 in subsequent years. 14 • As discussed above, the \$470.7 million net Rate Year 15 delivery revenue increase includes certain 16 components that are allocated in different ways.

17 Therefore, the \$470.7 million net Rate Year delivery 18 revenue increase was adjusted, for revenue 19 allocation purposes, to exclude the: (1) \$6.5 20 million increase in the retained generation 21 component of the MAC, (2) \$3.4 million decrease in 22 purchased power working capital, and (3) \$11.6

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1	million increase associated with the transfer of
2	ETIP costs. This results in a net decrease
3	adjustment of \$14.7 million (i.e., \$3.4 million,
4	less the sum of \$6.5 million and \$11.6 million),
5	which was then subtracted from the \$470.7 million
6	for an adjusted proposed T&D delivery revenue
7	increase of \$456.0 million, which was allocated to
8	Con Edison customers and NYPA, in proportion to
9	their respective realigned Rate Year T&D delivery
10	revenues. The \$11.6 million in ETIP costs
11	transferred was allocated to the Con Edison full
12	service and retail access customer classes based on
13	kWh sales in each class. However, as discussed in
14	the Rate Design section below, we are proposing a
15	bill credit for Recharge New York ("RNY") customers
16	to permit them to continue to receive an exemption
17	from cost recovery associated with energy efficiency
18	programs equivalent to the benefit of their
19	exemption from the SBC. Therefore, an adjustment
20	was made to increase the ETIP costs allocated to Con
21	Edison customers by the projected amount of the RNY
22	credit, prior to allocating these costs.

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- The revenue adjustments we propose based on Table 1A
 of the 2017 ECOS study for the Con Edison classes
 and NYPA were added to the T&D delivery revenue
 increase and ETIP costs allocated to each class to
 determine the total T&D delivery revenue change
 applicable to each class.
- The total Rate Year T&D delivery revenue change for
 each class was allocated among non-competitive T&D
 delivery revenues, competitive service revenues,
 reactive power demand charge revenues and customer
 charge revenues.
- The portion of the T&D delivery revenue change
 assigned to competitive service revenues is
 determined by taking the difference between the
 competitive service revenues at the proposed rates,
 designed in accordance with the Commission's
 Statement of Policy on Unbundling and Order Directing Tariff Filings, issued August 25, 2004, in

Case 00-M-0504 ("Unbundling Policy Statement"), and
the competitive service revenues at Current Rates.
The portion of the T&D delivery revenue change
associated with the change in reactive power demand

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1	charge revenue is determined for demand-billed
2	customers as described below.
3 •	Customer charges for SCs 1, 2 and 6 were increased
4	to better reflect the Company's cost to provide
5	service as further discussed in the Rate Design
6	section of this testimony.
7 •	The total Rate Year T&D delivery revenue change for
8	each class was adjusted to exclude the changes in
9	competitive service revenues and reactive power
10	demand charge revenues to determine the class-
11	specific non-competitive T&D delivery revenue
12	changes. The non-competitive T&D delivery revenue
13	changes were then adjusted to exclude the changes in
14	customer charge revenues to determine Adjusted Non-
15	competitive T&D Delivery Revenue changes, for the
16	Rate Year.
17 •	The Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery Revenue
18	changes for the Rate Year were restated as class-
19	specific Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery
20	Revenue changes for the 12 months ended December 31,

22 the proposed non-competitive T&D delivery rates,

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2017 ("Historic Period") for purposes of designing

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1		other than customer charges. The Historic Period is
2		the period for which detailed billing data are
3		available.
4	Q.	Please describe how you developed the Adjusted Non-
5		competitive T&D Delivery Revenue changes applicable to
6		the Con Edison classes for the Historic Period.
7	A.	Revenue ratios were developed for each class by dividing
8		the Rate Year Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery
9		Revenues for each class by the Historic Period Adjusted
10		Non-competitive T&D Delivery Revenues for each class at
11		the Current Revenue Level. The revenue ratio for each
12		class was applied to the Rate Year Adjusted Non-
13		competitive T&D Delivery Revenue change for each class to
14		determine each class's Adjusted Non-competitive T&D
15		Delivery Revenue change for the Historic Period.
16	Q.	Please explain the components of competitive service
17		revenue and how you developed the change in competitive
18		service revenue applicable to the Con Edison classes.
19	Α.	Competitive service revenues are comprised of revenues
20		associated with: (a) the supply-related component of the
21		Merchant Function Charge ("MFC"), including the purchased
22		power working capital component; (b) the credit and

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1		collection ("C&C") related component of the MFC; (c)
2		competitive metering charges; and (d) the billing and
3		payment processing ("BPP") charge. The changes in
4		competitive service revenues by class were developed by
5		computing the difference between the competitive service
6		revenues at the proposed rates, as described in the Rate
7		Design section below, and the competitive service
8		revenues at Current Rates.
9	Q.	Please describe how you determined the change in the
10		reactive power demand charge revenues.
11	Α.	The revenues associated with the change in reactive power
12		demand charges were determined based on the difference
13		between the current reactive power demand charge, i.e.,
14		\$1.97, and the proposed charge to reflect updated costs,
15		i.e., \$2.14. The difference was applied to the Rate Year
16		kVar usage amounts to determine the change in reactive
17		power demand charge revenues.
18	Q.	Please describe how you determined the changes in
19		customer charge revenues.
20	Α.	The changes in customer charge revenues were determined
21		by computing the differences between SC 1, 2 and 6

22 customer charge revenues based on current customer

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- charges, and SC 1, 2 and 6 customer charge revenues based
 on proposed customer charges.
- 3 Q. Please describe NYPA's share of the T&D delivery revenue4 increase.
- 5 A. NYPA's share of the T&D delivery revenue increase,
- excluding GRT, was determined to be \$52.4 million. This
 amount was increased by one-third of the total ECOS study
 deficiency of \$1.8 million from Table 1A of Exhibit _____
 (DAC-2), to yield a total T&D delivery revenue increase
 to NYPA of \$53.0 million for the Rate Year.
- 11 Q. Why did you address only one-third of the NYPA deficiency 12 of \$1.8 million?
- 13 Α. As we stated in our discussion regarding the Con Edison 14 classes, we propose to realign revenues in the Rate Year 15 for the Con Edison classes based on one-third of the revenue adjustments to mitigate the customer impacts of 16 this change. To be consistent in our treatment of all 17 18 customer classes, including NYPA, we propose to apply 19 one-third of the revenue adjustment applicable to NYPA as 20 well. Our intent is to adjust NYPA revenues based on the 21 remaining two-thirds of the NYPA deficiency in subsequent years. 22

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1	Q.	Please describe how you restated the Rate Year T&D
2		delivery revenue change applicable to NYPA for the
3		Historic Period.
4	Α.	Revenue ratios were developed by dividing the applicable
5		Rate Year NYPA T&D delivery revenues by the Historic
6		Period NYPA T&D delivery revenues at the Current Revenue
7		Level. The revenue ratios were applied to the Rate Year
8		NYPA total T&D delivery revenue change to derive the NYPA
9		total T&D delivery revenue change for the Historic
10		Period.
11		RATE DESIGN
12	Q.	Please explain how you designed the proposed T&D delivery
13		rates for Con Edison SCs.
14	Α.	The rate design process for the Con Edison SCs consisted
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		of the following steps:
16		of the following steps: 1. Determine rates for competitive services in accordance
16 17		<pre>of the following steps: 1. Determine rates for competitive services in accordance with the Commission's Unbundling Policy Statement;</pre>
16 17 18		<pre>of the following steps: 1. Determine rates for competitive services in accordance with the Commission's Unbundling Policy Statement; 2. Increase customer charges for SCs 1, 2 and 6</pre>
16 17 18 19		<pre>of the following steps: 1. Determine rates for competitive services in accordance with the Commission's Unbundling Policy Statement; 2. Increase customer charges for SCs 1, 2 and 6 including voluntary TOD rates, with the exception of</pre>
16 17 18 19 20		<pre>of the following steps: 1. Determine rates for competitive services in accordance with the Commission's Unbundling Policy Statement; 2. Increase customer charges for SCs 1, 2 and 6 including voluntary TOD rates, with the exception of SC 1 Rate II discussed further below, to better</pre>

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1		3. Design non-competitive delivery rates to recover the
2		Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery Revenue change
3		assigned to each class.
4	Q.	Please describe the first step of the rate design
5		process.
6	A.	The first step is to develop the rates for competitive
7		services, i.e., the supply-related and C&C components of
8		the MFC, competitive metering charges and the BPP charge.
9	Q.	Please describe the MFC.
10	A.	The MFC consists of two components: a supply-related
11		component, including a purchased power working capital
12		component, and a C&C related component. Separate MFCs
13		were calculated for (1) SC 1 customers, (2) SC 2 $$
14		customers, and (3) all other customers.
15	Q.	Please describe how you designed the MFC.
16	A.	As shown in Exhibit (DAC-2) - Schedule 2, Page 1, the
17		costs associated with the supply-related component are:
18		(1) 0.17043 percent of total Con Edison T&D delivery
19		revenues at Current Rates for SC 1 customers,
20		(2) 0.02410 percent of total Con Edison T&D delivery
21		revenues at Current Rates for SC 2 customers, and

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1 (3) 0.06604 percent of total Con Edison T&D delivery revenues at Current Rates for all other Con Edison 2 3 customers. To determine the Rate Year revenue requirement associated 4 5 with these costs for each SC group, the respective 6 percentages were applied to the total Con Edison Rate 7 Year T&D delivery revenue requirement at the proposed 8 rate level. The resulting Rate Year revenue requirement 9 for the supply-related portion of the MFC for each SC 10 group was then divided by the Rate Year sales of full 11 service customers for SC 1, SC 2, and other Con Edison 12 classes, respectively, to determine the \$/kWh supply-13 related component of the MFC for each SC group. 14 Q. Have you recognized in the computation of the supply-15 related MFC rate component an allowance for working 16 capital on purchased power? 17 In accordance with the Unbundling Policy Α. Yes. 18 Statement, we reflected in rates an allowance for working 19 capital on purchased power. Specifically, the Accounting 20 Panel provided us with a purchased power working capital allowance of \$7.836 million, excluding GRT. The proposed 21 22 rate associated with purchased power working capital has

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been computed by dividing the purchased power working capital amount of \$7.836 million by Rate Year full service customers' sales to derive a 0.0395 cent per-kWh charge that was added to the applicable supply-related MFC component for each SC group.

6 Q. Please continue.

7 As shown on Exhibit (DAC-2) - Schedule 2, Page 2, the Α. total costs associated with the C&C-related component of 8 9 the MFC are 0.76569 percent of total Con Edison T&D 10 delivery revenues at Current Rates. To determine the 11 total Rate Year C&C-related revenue requirement, this 12 percentage was applied to the total Con Edison Rate Year 13 T&D delivery revenue requirement at the proposed level. 14 The total Rate Year C&C-related revenue requirement was 15 then split between full service and Purchase of Receivable ("POR") customers based on the respective 16 split of full service and POR forecasted Rate Year kWh 17 18 sales. The portion of the C&C-related Rate Year revenue 19 requirement to be recovered from full service customers 20 through separate MFC rate components was further 21 allocated among: (1) SC 1 customers, (2) SC 2 customers, 22 and (3) all other customers based on the breakdown of

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1		relative class percentages for full service customers'
2		portion of C&C costs as shown on Exhibit (DAC-2) -
3		Schedule 2, Page 2. The resulting Rate Year revenue
4		requirements for the C&C-related portion of the MFC for
5		each SC group were then divided by the respective Rate
6		Year sales for full service customers to determine the
7		/kWh C&C-related component of the MFC. The residual
8		Rate Year C&C-related revenue requirement will be
9		recovered through a percentage adder to the POR discount
10		rate.
11	Q.	Do you propose to revise the BPP charge?
12	Α.	No. As noted in the DAC Panel testimony, the current
13		unbundled cost for electric billing and payment
14		processing is \$1.18 per bill, i.e., the sum of the \$0.61
15		per bill cost for printing and mailing and the \$0.57 per
16		bill cost for payment processing. This is very close to
17		the existing electric BPP charge so no change is
18		warranted.
19	Q.	Please explain how you developed the competitive metering
20		charges for customers, other than customers eligible to

21 take service under Rider M - Day-Ahead Hourly Pricing.

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As shown on Exhibit (DAC-2), Schedule 3, competitive 1 Α. metering services recognize separate costing functions 2 3 consisting of meter ownership, meter data service provider and meter service provider (including meter 4 installation) costs. To determine the Rate Year revenue 5 requirement associated with each of these costing 6 7 functions for Rate I of SC Nos. 5, 8, 9, and 12, the 8 percentages for these classes shown on Exhibit (DAC-9 2), Schedule 3, were multiplied by the total Con Edison 10 Rate Year T&D delivery revenue requirement at the 11 proposed rate level. The percentages shown on Exhibit 12 (DAC-2), Schedule 3 represent the class share of each 13 function as a percentage of total Con Edison T&D delivery 14 revenues at Current Rates. The resulting Rate Year 15 competitive metering-related revenue requirement for each SC subject to metering charges was divided by each SC's 16 annual number of bills for the Rate Year to determine the 17 18 \$/bill metering charge applicable to each competitive 19 metering function.

Q. How do you propose to establish the meter ownership,
meter service provider (including meter installation) and
meter data service provider charges applicable to Rate I

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1		of SC Nos. 5, 8, 9, and 12 full service and retail access
2		customers eligible to take service under Rider M - Day-
3		Ahead Hourly Pricing and to Rate II customers in SCs 5,
4		8, 9, and 12 and Rate I customers in SC 13?
5	Α.	We propose that the meter ownership, meter service
6		provider (including meter installation) and meter data
7		service provider charges applicable to these customers be
8		set equal to the metering costs set forth on Exhibit
9		(DAC-2), Schedule 4 to the DAC Panel's testimony,
10		increased by the proposed overall percentage change in
11		Con Edison Rate Year T&D delivery revenue.
12	Q.	Please describe the second step in the rate design
13		process.
14	Α.	The second step is the development of customer charges.
15		Con Edison's residential customer charges are currently
16		lower than customer costs indicated in the ECOS study and
17		among the lowest in New York State as shown in the table
18		below.
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Company	Non-VTOD	VTOD
RG&E	21.38	25.36
Central Hudson	21.00	24.00
Central Hudson (2021)	19.50	22.50
O&R	20.00	32.00
O&R (pending)	19.50	32.00
National Grid	17.00	20.36
Con Edison (proposed)	17.00	21.46
Con Edison (current)	15.76	19.87
NYSEG	15.11	17.40

Residential Customer Charges in NY

Customer charges for SCs 1, 2 and 6, including VTOD 2 3 rates, were increased to move customer charges closer to 4 the customer costs indicated in the ECOS study. 5 Therefore, the customer charges applicable to voluntary 6 TOD rates for SC 1 (Rates II and III) and SC 2 (Rate II) 7 have been set equal to the proposed customer charges of Rate I for SCs 1 and 2, respectively, plus an incremental 8 9 cost associated with a TOD meter. 10 Lastly, the customer charge applicable to SC 1 Special 11 Provision D was kept at its current level. The current

13 applicants, and the two remaining customers are

14 grandfathered through December 31, 2023.

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Electric Rate Plan closed this Special Provision to new

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- Q. Please describe the third step of the rate design
 process.
- A. The third step is the design of the non-competitive
 charges for the Con Edison SCs to collect the Adjusted
 Non-competitive T&D Delivery Revenue change. We applied
 the following guidelines in designing the proposed rates:
- As explained in the Revenue Allocation section of 7 this testimony, after accounting for the changes in 8 9 the SC 1 Residential and Religious (Rate I), SC 2 General Small (Rate I) and SC 6 Public and Private 10 11 Street Lighting customer charges, the per-kWh 12 charges for these classes were designed to recover 13 the balance of the residual revenue requirements 14 assigned to each respective class.
- Consistent with past practice, VTOD rates for SCs 1
 (Rates II and III) and 2 (Rate II) were designed to
 recover each class's overall T&D delivery revenue
 requirement. The rates were designed to be revenue
 neutral, i.e., the rates were designed to yield the
 same level of class revenues that the Company would
 receive under the proposed conventional rates.

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1 •	For SC 12 customers billed for energy only, the
2	minimum charge and the per-kWh charges were
3	increased by the Adjusted Non-competitive T&D
4	Delivery Revenue change applicable to the SC 12
5	(Rate I) customer class.
6 •	For Rate I of SCs 5, 8, 9 and 12, prior to applying
7	the revenue increase, 5 percent of the usage revenue
8	(i.e., revenue from per-kWh charges) was shifted
9	into demand revenue on a revenue neutral basis.
10	Then, the Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery
11	Revenue changes were applied entirely to the demand
12	charges, including minimum charges. Since the
13	majority of transmission and distribution costs are
14	fixed or demand-related, shifting a portion of usage
15	revenue to demand revenue and applying the revenue
16	increase to demand charges more closely aligns how
17	costs are incurred and collected from customers.
18	The usage charges for these classes will remain at
19	their redesigned current levels (i.e., resulting
20	from the shift of 5 percent of usage revenues to
21	demand revenues on a revenue neutral basis). This
22	results in a higher percentage of revenue for these

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1	classes being recovered through fixed and demand-
2	related charges.
3•	For demand-billed classes, high tension/low tension
4	differentials have been reviewed to assess the high
5	tension/low tension unit cost relationships based on
6	the ECOS study. As explained in the High Tension $/$
7	Low Tension Rate Differentials section of this
8	testimony, no adjustments to high tension/low
9	tension differentials are warranted in this case.
10 •	The mandatory TOD rates for SCs 5, 8, 9, 12, and 13
11	and VTOD rates for SCs 8, 9, and 12 were designed to
12	collect the increased T&D delivery revenue
13	requirement applicable to these classes. The
14	Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery Revenue
15	changes for these classes were applied entirely to
16	demand rates to better reflect the nature of
17	transmission and distribution costs. In keeping
18	with past practice, the per-kWh rates remain equal
19	across these classes. Since we are applying the
20	Adjusted Non-competitive T&D Delivery Revenue change
21	entirely to demand charges, the per-kWh rates will
22	remain at the current levels. VTOD rates were

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1	designed to recover the class revenue requirement of
2	all customers not billed under mandatory TOD rates.
3 •	As discussed in the Revenue Allocation section of
4	this testimony, the reactive power demand charge,
5	including the charge for induction-generation
6	equipment, was increased to reflect updated costs.
7 •	Standby rates applicable under Rate III and Rate IV
8	of SC 5, and Rate IV and Rate V of SCs 8, 9, and 12,
9	were developed consistent with the Commission's
10	Opinion No. 01-04, <u>Opinion and Order Approving</u>
11	Guidelines for the Design of Standby Service Rates,
12	issued and effective October 26, 2001 in Case 99-E-
13	1470 ("Standby Rates Order"). The Commission stated
14	"the standby rates for each service classification
15	should produce the same revenues as the standard
16	rates, using the class billing determinants (Standby
17	Rates Order, Appendix A, p. 2). The Standby Rates
18	Order (p. 7) says that revenue neutral means "the
19	full service class (not any individual customer)
20	would contribute the same revenues if the full class
21	was priced under either the standard service class
22	rates or the standby rates (given the historic usage

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1	patterns of the customers in that class)." Standby
2	rates for SC 13 (Rate II) were developed by
3	increasing the current rates by the non-competitive
4	T&D delivery revenue percentage increase applicable
5	to SC 13 Rate I.
6 •	Standby as-used daily demand delivery charges for
7	each SC under Option B of Rider Q - Standby Rate
8	Pilot were also developed to be revenue neutral to
9	the class rates for the otherwise applicable standby
10	service class. However, Rider Q Option B as-used
11	daily demand delivery charges applicable to summer
12	months were calculated to reduce Period 1 (i.e.,
13	weekdays 8 AM to 6 PM) hours to four-hour periods
14	based on event call windows under the Company's
15	Commercial System Relief Program. Additionally,
16	revenue was shifted from the as-used daily demand
17	delivery charges applicable to the summer Period 2
18	(i.e., weekdays 8 AM to 10 PM) to the Period 1 as-
19	used daily demand delivery charges. This is
20	consistent with the methodology used to set current
21	Rider Q Option B rates as approved by the Commission
22	in its Order Approving Tariff Amendments With

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Modifications, issued January 19, 2018, in Case 16-

2	E-0060.
3 •	Rates for the Company's Innovative Pricing Pilot
4	under Rider Z, applicable to SC 1 customers, were
5	determined in a manner revenue neutral to the
6	otherwise applicable SC 1 Rate I and SC 2 Rate 1
7	rates, respectively, using the methodology approved
8	by the Commission in its Order Approving Tariff
9	Amendments with Modifications, issued December 13,
10	2018, in Case 18-E-0397. Rates for the Company's
11	Innovative Pricing Pilot under Rider AA, applicable
12	to SC 2 customers, were increased by the same
13	percentage increase as the SC 2 per kWh rates.
14	Customer charges under Riders Z and AA were
15	increased to the levels proposed for SC 1 Rate I and
16	SC 2 Rate 1 customer charges, respectively.
17 •	The customer charges and distribution contract
18	demand charges in SC 11 - Buy-Back Service - were
19	set equal to the customer charges and contract
20	demand charges in Rate III and IV of SC 5, Rate IV
21	and Rate V of SCs 8, 9, and 12, and Rate II of SC

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Q. Please discuss how you designed the proposed delivery
 rates for NYPA.

Rate I and Rate II charges under the PASNY Tariff were 3 Α. increased by the total T&D delivery revenue percentage 4 5 increase applicable to NYPA. High tension/low tension 6 differentials were reviewed to assess the high 7 tension/low tension unit cost relationships based on the ECOS study. As explained in the High Tension / Low 8 9 Tension Rate Differentials section of this testimony, no 10 adjustment to high tension/low tension differentials is 11 warranted in this case. Consistent with the standby rate 12 guidelines in the Standby Rates Order, Rate III and IV 13 rates were developed for each class within the PASNY 14 Tariff to be revenue neutral at the proposed revenue 15 level, i.e., Rates III and IV were developed to produce the same delivery revenues as the equivalent non-standby 16 17 rates.

18 Q. Did you change the competitive metering credits for19 customers served under the PASNY Tariff?

20 A. Yes. On Exhibit __ (DAC-2) - Schedule 3, the embedded
21 costs for each of the competitive metering functions are
22 expressed as a percentage of total NYPA delivery revenues

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at Current Rates for non-TOD demand-billed customers. To 1 determine the Rate Year revenue requirement associated 2 3 with competitive metering functions for non-TOD demand-4 billed classes, the respective percentages were 5 multiplied by the total NYPA Rate Year proposed revenue 6 requirement. The resulting Rate Year revenue requirement 7 associated with competitive metering functions for these non-TOD demand-billed customers was then divided by the 8 9 applicable annual number of bills to determine the \$/bill 10 metering credit applicable to each competitive metering 11 function. For TOD-billed customers, the meter ownership, 12 meter data service provider and meter service provider 13 (including meter installation) charges were set based on metering costs, as shown on Exhibit (DAC-2), Schedule 14 15 4, and then increased by the proposed total percentage change in NYPA Rate Year T&D delivery revenue. 16 17 Have you updated the rate reductions for the Excelsior Q. 18 Jobs Program ("EJP") (SC 9 Special Provision H)? 19 Not at this time. The EJP rate reductions are normally Α. 20 set based on marginal costs. On July 31, 2018, the 21 Company filed a revised marginal cost of service ("MCOS") 22 study along with its Distributed System Implementation

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1		Plan in Case 16-M-0411. However, the status of this MCOS
2		study is unclear, as discussed by the DAC Panel.
3		Therefore, we propose to maintain EJP rate reductions at
4		their current level.
5	Q.	Have you verified that the proposed rates for the Con
6		Edison classes and NYPA will produce the revenue increase
7		proposed by the Accounting Panel when those rates are
8		applied to projected Rate Year sales?
9	A.	We have provided the Electric Forecasting Panel with the
10		proposed rates, and they verified the amounts.
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12		HIGH TENSION / LOW TENSION DIFFERENTIALS
12 13	Q.	HIGH TENSION / LOW TENSION DIFFERENTIALS What is the high tension/low tension differential?
12 13 14	Q. A.	HIGH TENSION / LOW TENSION DIFFERENTIALS What is the high tension/low tension differential? This differential refers to the difference between \$/kW
12 13 14 15	Q. A.	<pre>HIGH TENSION / LOW TENSION DIFFERENTIALS What is the high tension/low tension differential? This differential refers to the difference between \$/kW annualized high tension and low tension demand rates for</pre>
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1 Α. The review of high tension and low tension differentials 2 involves a three-step process. 3 The first step in the process determines the relationships between high tension and low tension unit 4 5 costs for each class based on the 2017 ECOS study. 6 The high tension unit cost was determined by dividing the 7 sum of the required revenue for cost components 8 applicable to both high tension and low tension customers 9 by the total billed demands for high tension and low 10 tension service. 11 The high tension/low tension unit cost differential was determined by dividing the sum of the required revenue 12 13 for cost components applicable only to low tension 14 customers by the total billed demands for low tension 15 service. The low tension unit cost was determined by adding the 16

high tension unit cost and the high tension/low tension unit cost differential. Finally, we divided the high tension unit cost by the low tension unit cost to determine the high tension/low tension ratio, which allows us to compare high tension/low tension differentials among classes on a common basis.

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1		The high tension unit costs, low tension unit costs, high
2		tension/low tension k/kW unit cost differentials and high
3		tension/low tension ratios are shown on Exhibit (ERP-
4		1), Schedule 1.
5	Q.	Please describe the second step in the process.
6	Α.	The second step in the process determines the high
7		tension/low tension rate differentials and high
8		tension/low tension ratios by class reflected in Current
9		Rates. See Exhibit (ERP-1), Schedule 2.
10		The Current Rates are adjusted to reflect the shift of 5
11		percent of usage revenue to demand revenue on a revenue
12		neutral basis that we described earlier for Rate I of SCs
13		5, 8, 9 and 12. The redesigned demand rates are shown in
14		Exhibit (ERP-1), Schedule 3.
15		We determine annualized demand rates based on a weighted
16		average of summer and winter rates. This calculation was
17		performed for each rate block, and for the minimum
18		charges that include a minimum number of kW, the rate was
19		unitized to a per-kW rate by dividing it by the
20		corresponding kW associated with the minimum charge. The
21		high tension/low tension rate differential was determined
22		by subtracting the annualized high tension rate from the

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1		annualized low tension rate. The high tension/low
2		tension ratio was determined by dividing the annualized
3		high tension rate by the annualized low tension rate.
4		See Exhibit (ERP-1), Schedule 4.
5	Q.	Please describe the third step in the process.
6	Α.	The third step in the process compared, for each class,
7		high tension/low tension ratios based on costs, derived
8		in step one, to high tension/low tension ratios reflected
9		in Current Rates, derived in step two. The differences
10		between high tension/low tension ratios based on costs
11		and high tension/low tension ratios reflected in Current
12		Rates indicate that subsidies may exist and should be
13		addressed to limit further subsidies. These ratios were
14		compared by subtracting high tension/low tension ratios
15		based on costs from the high tension/low tension ratios
16		reflected in Current Rates. To the extent that the
17		absolute value of the difference in ratios exceeded 10
18		percentage points for a particular rate class, that class
19		would be selected for adjustment. See Exhibit (ERP-
20		1), Schedule 5. Rates in selected classes would be
21		adjusted by redistributing the revenues between the high
22		and low tension services on a revenue neutral basis.

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- Q. Should the high tension/low tension differentials be
 addressed in this case?
- A. No. Based on the three steps discussed above, the
 Company determined that no rate class showed a difference
 in ratios exceeding 10 percentage points. Therefore, the
 Company is not proposing adjustments to high tension/low
 tension differentials at this time.

REVENUE AND BILL IMPACTS

9 Having computed revised rates for each SC, have you Q. 10 prepared exhibits showing what the estimated impact on 11 customers' bills would be under the proposed rates? Yes. We prepared Exhibit (ERP-2), the first page of 12 Α. 13 which is entitled "CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW 14 YORK, INC. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS' BILLS AND COMPANY REVENUES RESULTING FROM PROPOSED ELECTRIC 15 RATES BASED ON SALES AND REVENUES FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 16 DECEMBER 31, 2017." 17

18 Q. Please continue.

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19 A. Exhibit _____(ERP-2) includes nine schedules that compare 20 present and proposed revenue levels and rates and show 21 the estimated impacts on customers' bills resulting from 22 the proposed rates.

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1 Q. Please explain each schedule.

Α. Exhibit (ERP-2) - Schedule 1, shows for the Electric 2 3 Tariff, by SC, the number of monthly bills rendered, 4 kilowatt hours delivered, and the revenues for the 12 months ended December 31, 2017, that would have been 5 derived from Con Edison full service and retail access 6 7 customers at the conventional and TOD rates at the Current Revenue Level. The annualized revenues reflect 8 9 the effect of an estimated MAC and market supply charge 10 ("MSC") for both full service and retail access 11 customers.

Exhibit _____ (ERP-2) - Schedule 2 shows, for the PASNY Tariff, the number of bills rendered on NYPA customer accounts, kilowatt hours delivered, and the annualized revenues for the 12 months ended December 31, 2017 that would have been derived at the Current Rates. The annualized revenues include an estimated supply cost for NYPA customers.

Exhibit _____(ERP-2) - Schedule 3 shows a comparison of
Current Rates and proposed Rate Year Con Edison Rates and
Charges. It consists of 37 tables, headed by an index
sheet, which covers all of the existing SCs. Each table

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1 consists of two columns. The left hand column shows the 2 rates and charges at the Current Revenue Level, and the 3 right hand column shows the proposed rates and charges. 4 Exhibit (ERP-2) - Schedule 4 shows a comparison of the 5 Current Rates and proposed Rate Year rates and charges under the PASNY Tariff. It consists of seven tables. 6 7 Each table consists of two columns. The left hand column 8 shows the rates and charges at the Current Revenue Level, 9 and the right hand column shows the proposed rates and 10 charges.

11 Exhibit (ERP-2) - Schedule 5 shows bill comparisons 12 for Con Edison customers at Current Rates and at the 13 proposed rates. It consists of tables that show 14 comparisons of monthly bills at various consumption 15 levels under conventional rates and charges at the Current Revenue Level and under the proposed conventional 16 17 rates and charges for the Con Edison SCs. These 18 comparisons show bills covering a reasonable range of 19 monthly use for the classes shown.

Exhibit ____ (ERP-2) - Schedule 6 shows, for each TOD SC,
the annual percentage change in customers' bills under
TOD rates at the Current Revenue Level and proposed TOD

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1 rates based upon consumption levels for the 12 months ended December 31, 2017. 2 Exhibit (ERP-2) - Schedule 7 shows, for each Con 3 4 Edison SC, the estimated change in revenues under the 5 proposed Rate Year conventional and TOD rates and charges, the overall percentage change by SC, and the 6 7 estimated effect on customers' bills based on sales and revenues for the Historic Period. 8 9 Exhibit (ERP-2) - Schedule 8 shows for the Historic 10 Period the estimated increase in PASNY delivery service 11 revenues under the proposed Rate Year rates and charges. 12 The revenues and bill impacts shown in Exhibit (ERP-13 2), Schedules 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 include the same MSC, 14 SBC and DLM charges in the revenues and bill amounts at 15 the Current Revenue Level and proposed revenues and bill amounts in order to demonstrate the impact of the change 16 17 in delivery rates on a customer's total bill amount, 18 including the increase in fixed generation costs to be 19 included in the MAC, which is a component of the net Rate Year delivery revenue increase. 20 As discussed above, Current Rates and the Current Revenue 21

22 Level are based on the rates that became effective

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1		January 1, 2019 since these are the Commission-authorized
2		rates and revenue level that will be in effect prior to
3		the changes proposed in this case.
4		The revenues and bill impacts therefore do not include
5		the effect of changes outside the base rate level
6		approved by the Commission, such as the tax sur-credit,
7		ETIP cost recovery transferred from the SBC to base
8		delivery rates, and RDM Adjustment revenues.
9	Q.	Have you prepared any analyses that show the change in
10		total Con Edison customers' bills taking into account
11		both the increase in proposed delivery rates and other
12		expected changes, such as changes in supply costs?
13	Α.	Yes. We have prepared Exhibit (ERP-2) - Schedule 9
14		entitled "PROJECTED ELECTRIC BILLS." In this schedule,
15		we provide bill comparisons for the three 12-month
16		periods commencing January 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, and
17		January 1, 2022, at projected levels for the following
18		customers: (1) an SC 1 residential customer using 300 kWh $$
19		per month; (2) an SC 1 residential customer using 450 kWh
20		per month; (3) an SC 2 customer using 600 kWh per month;
21		and (4) an SC 9 Rate I customer with a maximum demand of
22		30 kW and load factor of 50 percent.

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1 Q. Please explain Schedule 9.

Schedule 9 of Exhibit (ERP-2) shows average monthly 2 Α. 3 bills for these selected customers at current rates and proposed rates for each 12-month period. In these 4 5 comparisons, the supply and delivery-related portions of the bills are also shown. The supply charges reflect the 6 7 effect of projected MSC and MAC charges based on the supply cost projections made by Company witness Kimball 8 9 (regarding Electricity Supply). The delivery charges 10 consist of projected non-competitive T&D delivery charges 11 and projected competitive service charges based on three 12 years of projected delivery revenue requirements provided 13 by the Accounting Panel. Delivery charges also include 14 projections for various other charges, such as the SBC 15 and DLM, for each of the three Rate Years.

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BUSINESS INCENTIVE RATE

18 Q. What is the Business Incentive Rate ("BIR")?

19 A. The BIR (Rider J of the Electric Tariff) is a discounted 20 delivery rate used to promote economic development in the 21 Company's service territory. Although it has several 22 eligibility components, it is primarily available to

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1		businesses that open in new or formerly vacant buildings	
2		or receive a comprehensive package of economic incentives	
3		conferred by a governmental agency.	
4	Q.	Is the Company proposing to continue its BIR program?	
5	Α.	Yes. Since the BIR supports the Company's continuing	
6		efforts to foster economic development in its service	
7		territory, the Company proposes to extend the BIR	
8		application period during the term of the new rate plan.	
9	Q.	Is the Company proposing a change to the term of the BIR	
10		rate reductions?	
11	Α.	Yes it is.	
12	Q.	Please explain your proposed change.	
13	Α.	The Company is proposing to limit the maximum term of the	
14		BIR rate reductions, for new customers taking service	
15		under the BIR, to a maximum of 10 years. We propose to	
16		apply BIR rate reductions in full for the first five	
17		years, with a phase out over the remaining five years.	
18	Q.	What is the current term for the BIR rate reductions?	
19	Α.	There are different terms for the various BIR program	
20		components.	
21	\cap	Plazza avalain the existing terms for the PIP program	

Q. Please explain the existing terms for the BIR programcomponents.

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1	Α.	The New York City or Westchester Comprehensive program
2		has an initial term of service of no less than three
3		years and no more than 10 years, which may be followed by
4		a phase-out period of three to five years. BIR rate
5		reductions for Business Incubator Graduates are available
6		for a five-year non-renewable term with no phase-out
7		period. BIR rate reductions for the EV Quick Charging
8		Station Program are available for seven years with no
9		phase-out. All other customers under the BIR have an
10		initial term of 10 years followed by a five-year phase-
11		out.

12 Q. Will the proposed change to the maximum term affect 13 customers that are currently receiving a BIR rate 14 reduction?

15 A. No. The Company is proposing that the new maximum term 16 apply only to new applications received after the 17 effective date of new rates in this proceeding. All 18 other existing BIR customers would be grandfathered under 19 their existing contracts.

20 Q. Why is the Company proposing to reduce the maximum term 21 of the BIR rate reduction?

22 A. The Company has benchmarked the BIR to economic

23 development programs offered by other utilities. The

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1		Company has determined that the maximum term for rate
2		reductions under its BIR program is an outlier.
3	Q.	Please explain what you mean when you say the term is an
4		outlier?
5	Α.	Con Edison and O&R are the only public utilities in New
6		York State that currently offer economic development rate
7		reductions other than those available under the
8		legislatively mandated EJP. The O&R Economic Development
9		Rider provides discounts for a period of five years.
10	Q.	Are there other rate discount incentive programs within
11		New York State that have shorter terms?
12	Α.	Yes, the RNY program, which is offered by NYPA, has
13		similar goals to the Con Edison BIR program, but offers
14		eligible customers a seven-year term. The EJP provides
15		rate reductions for a term of up to ten years. The EJP
16		rate reductions are in the form of 12-month periods and
17		require annual certification.
18	Q.	You state that other utilities have economic development
19		programs with shorter terms. What utilities are these?
20	Α.	A full list of the utilities that we have reviewed is in
21		Exhibit ERP-4?

22 Q. What does this review indicate?

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- 1 Α. There are 13 utilities in the exhibit from a variety of 2 jurisdictions such as California, Florida, North 3 Carolina, Kentucky, Kansas, Indiana, Ohio, and New York (O&R). Of these 13 utilities, the maximum term of the 4 discount is five years. Of these utilities, about half 5 6 have discounts that decline after the first year. Of 7 these 13 utilities, two offer terms of four years, one 8 offers a three-year term while another is offering two 9 years. What does this sampling of incentive programs indicate to 10 Q. 11 the Company? 12 The sample supports the Company's conclusion that the Α. 13 maximum term of the Company's program is an outlier and 14 that its longer term is unnecessary and can be scaled 15 back. This is why the Company is proposing a term that 16 is shorter than the current term, but we note that it is 17 still a longer term than that offered by most other utilities. 18 19 Is the Company proposing to change the discount Ο. 20 percentage of the BIR program? 21 The Company is proposing no change to the BIR discount Α. 22 percentage.
- 23 Q. Why is the Company not changing the discount?

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1 Α. The existing tariff has attracted customers and worked as 2 an economic development tariff. Accordingly, it will 3 continue to provide an incentive for customers to relocate or renovate buildings in the service territory. 4 Is the Company proposing any changes to the EV Quick 5 Q. 6 Charging Station Program within the BIR? 7 Yes. As proposed by the Customer Energy Solutions Panel, Α. a provision was added to General Rule 5.2.4 - Excess 8 9 Distribution Facilities (Leaf 36) to provide separate electric facilities to a building for the purpose of 10 11 providing publicly accessible EV fast charging, at no 12 cost for customers that meet the requirements of the EV 13 Quick Charging Program under the BIR. Reference to this 14 new provision was added within Rider J (Leaf 202). Is the Company proposing any other changes for the BIR 15 Q. 16 program? No it is not. 17 Α. 18

19 TARIFF CHANGES AND OTHER RELATED TARIFF MATTERS

20 Q. Are you proposing a change to the provisions of the 21 Electric Tariff that require the Company to provide 22 compensation for losses related to service outages?

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1	Α.	Yes. General Rule 21.1, Continuity of Supply (Leaf 171),
2		currently provides compensation to (a) residential
3		customers for actual losses of perishable prescription
4		medicine and up to \$515 for food spoilage, and (b)
5		commercial customers for loss of perishable merchandise
6		up to \$10,200. Claimants must provide proof of loss,
7		with the exception of residential claimants who are
8		reimbursed without proof of loss for food spoilage up to
9		\$225 upon submission of an itemized list. We propose to
10		increase the compensation limits for residential
11		customers for food spoilage with and without proof of
12		loss from \$515 to \$540 and from \$225 to \$235,
13		respectively, and for commercial customers from \$10,200
14		to \$10,700.
15	Q.	What is the basis for the proposed increases?
16	Α.	The proposed compensation limits were set following the
17		methodology prescribed in the Commission's November 23,
18		2007 Order Concerning Tariff Provisions Governing
19		Reimbursement For Food Spoilage in Case 06-E-0894
20		("Reimbursement Order"). The methodology in the
21		Reimbursement Order provides for updating the
22		compensation limits based on applying the Gross Domestic

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1 Product Deflator ("GDPD") to current reimbursement 2 limits. Based on the percentage change in the Implicit 3 Price Deflators ("IPD") for GDPD for personal consumption 4 expenditures, which the Bureau of Economic Analysis lists 5 under Table 1.1.9, from the third quarter 2015 amount 6 (103.415) to the third quarter 2018 amount (108.450), 7 current tariff compensation limits were increased by 4.9 percent and rounded to the nearest multiple of \$5 for 8 9 residential customers and the nearest multiple of \$100 10 for commercial customers. We used the third quarter 2015 11 IPD amount for comparison because that amount was the IPD 12 at the time the current compensation limits became 13 effective, on February 1, 2017. 14 Q. Are there changes required to the revenue decoupling

mechanism ("RDM") Allowed Pure Base Revenue targets for the Con Edison service classes (Leaf 351) and PASNY tariff (Leaf 22)?

18 A. Yes. These targets will be revised at the end of this
19 proceeding to set forth the annual revenue targets for
20 Con Edison service classes and NYPA based on the final
21 revenue requirement level approved by the Commission.

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1	Q.	Is the Company proposing any tariff changes as a result
2		of the Tax Sur-credit being transferred to base rates?
3	A.	Yes, the Company has amended General Rule 26.9 - Tax
4		Sur-credit (Leaf 359) in the Electric Tariff and the
5		Additional Delivery Charges and Adjustments section
6		(Leaf 23) in the PASNY Tariff to indicate that Tax
7		Sur-credits will no longer be provided after December
8		31, 2019 through the Tax Sur-credit mechanism since
9		the benefits associated with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
10		of 2017 will be reflected in base rates.
11	Q.	Are you proposing any changes to the Transition
12		Adjustment mechanism?
13	A.	Yes, we have updated General Rule 28, Transition
14		Adjustment for Competitive Services (Leaf 360), to
15		specifically state the competitive services revenue
16		targets used in the determination of the Transition
17		Adjustment.
18	Q.	Is the Company proposing any tariff changes to reflect
19		the transfer of ETIP costs, as discussed earlier in your
20		testimony?

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1	A. Yes.	The following tariff changes were made as a result
2	of E	TIP costs being transferred to base rates.
3	•	General Rule 26.4 - SBC (Leaf 355) has been revised
4		to exclude, from recovery through the Energy
5		Efficiency Tracker Surcharge Rate, costs associated
6		with programs funded through base delivery rates.
7		This is consistent with the transfer of ETIP costs
8		from the SBC to the base delivery rates as proposed
9		by the Customer Energy Solutions Panel.
10	•	The transfer of ETIP costs from the SBC to delivery
11		rates impacts the RNY economic development program
12		rates. As discussed in the Revenue Allocation
13		section of this testimony, the Company will be
14		providing credits to RNY customers as part of the
15		transfer. The RNY credit is shown in the Special
16		Provision G of SC 9 (Leaf 459.0.1). In its Order
17		Directing Certain Utilities to Submit Tariff
18		Amendments, issued September 19, 2011, in Case 11-E-
19		0176, the Commission approved reduced delivery
20		service rates, which exclude the SBC, Renewable
21		Portfolio Standard and Energy Efficiency Portfolio
22		Standards surcharges from the standard delivery

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1		rates for the RNY power sold by NYPA. Since the
2		Company is proposing to transfer ETIP costs from the
3		SBC to delivery rates, in the absence of an
4		adjustment, RNY customers would be assessed ETIP
5		costs for which they are currently exempt.
6		Therefore, we propose to establish a bill credit, on
7		a cents per kWh basis, to offset for RNY customers
8		the ETIP cost recovery that is being transferred to
9		base delivery rates.
10	Q.	Is the Company proposing any tariff changes as a result
11		of the implementation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure
12		("AMI") in its service territory?
13	Α.	Yes, the Company has made the following tariff changes as
14		a result of the implementation of AMI in its service
15		territory:
16		• In General Rule 2, Definitions and Abbreviations of
17		Terms Used in this Rate Schedule, we:
18		o added the phrase "Or a remote reading" to the
19		definition for an actual reading on Leaf 12,
20		since the Company can read AMI meters remotely;
21		and

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1	o added the definition of "Interval Meter" on Leaf
2	15 to include the legacy interval meters as well
3	as AMI meters.
4 •	Modified leaves throughout the tariff to change
5	"interval meter" and "interval metering" to "Interval
6	Meter" and "Interval Metering" since these are now
7	defined terms.
8 •	Amended General Rule 6.5, Meters with Communications
9	Capabilities (Leaf 61), to indicate that the Company
10	will provide and maintain the communications service
11	for customers served by Interval Meters installed
12	under the Company's AMI program.
13 •	Revised General Rule 6.5, Meters with Communications
14	Capabilities (Leaf 61), of the Electric Tariff to
15	indicate that Standby Multi-party Offset customers no
16	longer need to provide and maintain the communications
17	service once they have received an AMI meter. A
18	corresponding change was made in the Meters with
19	Communications Capabilities section (Leaf 13) of the
20	PASNY Tariff.
21 •	Specified customer installation requirements in

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22 General Rule 7.1, Customer Wiring and Equipment (Leaf

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1	64), to better enable AMI communications and to refer
2	to the Company specifications for such installations
3	as proposed by the Electric Infrastructure $\&$
4	Operations Panel.
5 •	Amended General Rule 10.11, Reactive Power Demand
6	Charge (Leaf 95), to change "telecommunications
7	service by the telecommunications carrier" to
8	"communications service" to include AMI meters for
9	customers required to be billed the Reactive Power
10	Demand Charge.
11 •	Amended General Rule 15.2, Reconnection Charge (Leaf
12	119), to waive the reconnection charge for remote
13	capable AMI meters as proposed by the Customer
14	Operations Panel.
15 •	Added to General Rule 16.1, Charge for Replacing a
16	Damaged Meter (Leaf 121), a new charge to replace a
17	damaged AMI meter as proposed by the Electric
18	Infrastructure & Operations Panel.
19 •	Amended General Rule 20.2.1(B)(8)(e) to exempt AMI
20	customers from the monthly communications service
21	credit on Leaf 157.4 for Multi-party offset customers

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1		since the Company will be providing the communications
2		service for customers with AMI meters.
3	Q.	Did the Company propose any tariff changes for its
4		customers with distributed generation ("DG")?
5	Α.	Yes, the Company has made the following tariff changes
6		for its customers with DG:
7		• Revised General Rule 8.2 - Emergency Generating
8		Facilities Used for Self-Supply (Leaf 78) to allow
9		Customers with Electric Energy Storage systems to be
10		connected to the grid as long as they do not export
11		and are considered to be an emergency generating
12		facility, as proposed by the Customer Energy Solutions
13		Panel.
14		• Specified that a Customer may not deliver to the
15		Company's distribution system while it is receiving
16		electric energy delivered by the Company at the same
17		service point in General Rule 8.3 - Generating
18		Facilities Used Under Special Circumstances for Export
19		(Leaf 79) as proposed by the Customer Energy Solutions
20		Panel.
21		• The Monthly Communications Service Credit applicable to

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22 Standby Offset Customers under General Rule

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1	20.2.1(B)(8)(e) of the Electric Tariff (Leaf 157.4) and
2	the General Provisions - Metering Service section of
3	the PASNY Tariff (Leaf 14) have been updated to reflect
4	the Company's avoidance of the communications cost
5	related to metering.
6	• Replaced references to the SIR in General Rule 20.3.3,
7	Customers With Targeted Exemptions, on Leaves 162.1
8	and 162.2, to refer to General Rule 20.2 -
9	Interconnection and Operation since interconnection
10	requirements, including SIR requirements, are
11	specified in General Rule 20.2.
12	• Specified communication failure requirements of Output
13	Meters as required for Customers with Designated
14	Technologies who use Efficient CHP in General Rule
15	20.3, Customers Exempt from Standby Service Rates
16	(Leaf 167.1), to mean two or more instances of
17	Customer caused failed communications service in any
18	calendar year. The Company has also clarified General
19	Rule 20.5.4 to indicate that the Reliability
20	Adjustment will only be used for the purposes of
21	determining the Standby Reliability Credit (Leaf
22	167.1). These changes are consistent with changes in

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1	similar provisions under Rider Q as approved by the
2	Commission in its Order Approving Tariff Amendments
3	With Modifications, issued and effective January 19,
4	2018, in Case 16-E-0060.
5 •	Clarified Rider J - BIR (Leaf 240) to indicate that
6	the rate reduction applicable to energy delivery
7	charges is applied only to the net kilowatt hours
8	delivered by the Company to Grandfathered Net Metering
9	and Phase One Net Metering Customers under Rider R.
10	For Customers served under the Value Stack Tariff
11	under Rider R, the rate reduction applicable to energy
12	delivery charges will apply to the net hourly
13	consumption.
14 •	Specified metering requirements under Rider Q - Standby
15	Rate Pilot (Leaf 240). This change is consistent with

requirements applicable to other Customers, such as
Customers served under Standby Service Rates, Rider R,
and Rider T that require an interval meter for complex
billing.

Made various changes to Form G to conform to the
 provisions in the tariff as proposed by the Customer
 Energy Solutions Panel.

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1 Q. Is the Company proposing any housekeeping changes to the Electric Tariff and PASNY Tariff? 2 3 Yes, the Company proposes the following housekeeping Α. 4 changes: 5 • A heading was added on Leaf 104 in General Rule 12, Payments. 6 • Corrected "Nox" to "MWH" on Leaf 162 and deleted the 7 extra comma on Leaf 162.2 in General Rule 20.3.2, 8 9 Customers With Designated Technologies. 10 • Corrected a typographical error from "ESCP" to "ECSP" in Rider J - Business Incentive Rate on Leaves 194 and 11 12 199. • Eliminated SC 1 - Special Provision G (Leaf 395), 13 14 which describes how low income credits were to be 15 applied to low income customers' March 2017 bills. 16 • Corrected a typographical error from "Clasification" to "Classification" in SC 12 on Leaf 478. 17 18 • Eliminated Rider I and all references to Rider I since 19 NYSERDA's Multi-Family Pilots for Time Sensitive 20 Prices, Demand Response and Load Management Program 21 has ended.

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1	•	Cor	rrected a typographical error, from Rider U to Rider
2		т,	under Charge for Demand Management Programs on Leaf
3		26	of the PASNY tariff.
4	•	Reg	garding the MAC under General Rule 26.1.1, the Panel
5		is	proposing to remove the following obsolete
6		con	aponents:
7		0	Components 6 and 7 related to recovery of TCCs
8			purchased through the New York Independent System
9			Operator ("NYISO") auctions prior to May 1, 2008;
10		0	Component 10 related to any incremental costs the
11			Company incurred resulting from the divestiture of
12			its electric generating facilities;
13		0	Component 11 related to adjustments applicable to
14			periods prior to May 1, 2000;
15		0	Component 20 related to the restoration and operation
16			of Hudson Avenue Unit 10/100;
17		0	Component 21 related to lost revenues associated with
18			service rendered prior to April 1, 2008, for both
19			targeted and system-wide demand management programs;
20		0	Component 23 related to the Switching and Retention
21			Incentive Payments approved in Case 04-E-0572; and

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1		o Component 36 related to the credit for the
2		Constellation Settlement refund.
3		MAC Components 20, 21, 23 and 36 have been designated
4		as "Reserved for Future Use." MAC Components 6, 7, 10
5		and 11 will be re-used for new MAC items as discussed
6		below.
7	Q.	Is the Company adding any new components to the MAC?
8	Α.	Yes. The Company is proposing to add four components to
9		the MAC as described below.
10		• Component 6 has been replaced with a new component to
11		recover charges or credits related to FERC approved or
12		ordered NYISO or PJM rebills or recalculations of
13		charges paid by NYISO or PJM customers. This
14		provision would allow the Company to recover or pass
15		back any amounts that are outside of the NYISO's or
16		PJM's normal reconciliation and settlement deadlines.
17		• Based on a proposal by the Customer Energy Solutions
18		Panel, Component 7 has been replaced with a new
19		component to recover electric customers' share of
20		costs related to commission-based pay for certain
21		energy efficiency and demand management employees,
22		less amounts allocated for collection under the PASNY

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1 Tariff. A corresponding change was made in the PASNY 2 Tariff to add a new section entitled "Charges Related 3 to Commission-based Variable Pay for Certain Energy 4 Efficiency and Demand Management Employees" to the 5 Other Charges and Adjustments section.

• Based on a proposal by the Municipal Infrastructure 6 7 Support Panel and Accounting Panel, Component 10 has been replaced with a new component to recover carrying 8 9 charges associated with interference costs causing an 10 exceedance of the net electric plant target, less 11 amounts allocated for collection under the PASNY 12 Tariff. A corresponding change was made in the PASNY Tariff to add a new section entitled "Reconciliation 13 14 of Interference Costs" to the Other Charges and 15 Adjustments section.

Based on a proposal by the Electric Infrastructure &
 Operations Panel and Accounting Panel, Component 11
 has been replaced with a new component to recover the
 revenue requirement associated with upgrades to the
 Company's transmission, substation and/or distribution
 systems necessary to maintain reliability due to a
 generator retirement, less amounts allocated for

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1		collection under the PASNY Tariff. A corresponding
2		change was made in the PASNY Tariff to add a new
3		section entitled "Costs Associated With Generator
4		Retirements" to the Other Charges and Adjustments
5		section.
6	Q.	Are there tariff changes that are supported by other
7		panels in addition to the tariff changes discussed above?
8	Α.	Yes, the following tariff changes are supported by other
9		panels in addition to the tariff changes discussed above:
10		• As described in the testimony of the Accounting Panel,
11		the Company has:
12		o Updated the corporate overheads and storage and
13		handling fee in General Rule 17.3 of the Electric
14		Tariff (Leaf 126), which lists the elements of costs
15		charged for special services performed by the
16		Company.
17		o The Panel updated the residential and commercial
18		Uncollectible Bill ("UB") factors related to the UB
19		expense associated with MSC and Adjustment Factors-
20		MSC charges based on a UB factor of 0.0046 or (\$0.46
21		per \$100) proposed by the Accounting Panel. General
22		Rule 25.3(d) of the Electric Tariff (Leaf 336) has

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1	been updated to reflect UB factors of 0.0072 for
2	residential customers and 0.0028 for all other
3	customers.
4	o Updated the UB factor related to the UB expense
5	associated with MAC and Adjustment Factors-MAC
6	charges in General Rule 26.1.2(b) of the Electric
7	Tariff (Leaf 344) to reflect the system UB factor of
8	0.0046 provided to us by the Accounting Panel.
9 •	As proposed by the Customer Energy Solutions Panel and
10	the Accounting Panel, the MAC under General Rule
11	26.1.1 (Leaf 343.1), component 46, and PASNY Leaf 26.1
12	related to the Company's Earning Adjustment Mechanisms
13	("EAMs"), will be extended to recover any positive
14	incentives earned under EAMs, and recover/credit any
15	other incentives and revenue adjustments associated
16	with Company incentive mechanisms, as authorized by
17	the Commission. Due to this change, paragraph (H)(6)
18	of the Additional Delivery Charges and Adjustments
19	section of the PASNY tariff has been renamed
20	"Contribution to Earning Adjustment Mechanisms
21	("EAMs") and Other Revenue Adjustments."

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1	• As described in the testimony of the Electric
2	Infrastructure and Operations Panel, the Company has:
3	o Added a new provision to General Rule 4.6 - High
4	Tension Service (Leaf 31) specifying requirements
5	for high tension customers in the event of a primary
6	feeder failure.
7	o Clarified Company practices related to temporary
8	services under General Rule 5.2.7, Temporary Service
9	(Leaf 37).
10	o Updated its re-inspection charge in General Rule
11	16.3, Charges for Re-inspection (Leaf 121), and
12	charges for certain special services provided at
13	stipulated rates (i.e., hi-pot, Megger, and
14	dielectric fluid tests) in General Rule 17.1,
15	Special Services at Stipulated Rates (Leaf 122).
16	ullet With respect to the low-income program, which is also
17	discussed by the Customer Operations Panel:
18	o General Rule 15.2, Reconnection Charge, of the
19	Electric Tariff (Leaf 119) has been revised to
20	continue the waiver of the reconnection charge for
21	customers enrolled in the low-income program, up to
22	an annual target amount of \$527,821.

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1	o The RDM sections in the Electric Tariff (Leaf 352)
2	and the PASNY Tariff (Leaf 22) have been revised to
3	reset the annual level of low income program costs
4	included in rates to \$53.31 million for each rate
5	year that the low-income program is in effect, and
6	to indicate that the low-income program will
7	continue beyond December 31, 2020, contingent on the
8	continuation of full cost recovery through the RDM
9	Adjustment or an equivalent mechanism.
10 •	In General Rule 5.2.2, Adjustment Factor - MSC II
11	(Leaf 333), the Company proposes that the
12	cost/benefits of hedging will include all costs
13	associated with the procurement of energy and capacity
14	hedges and supplies for Customers including auction
15	platform licensing fees, maintenance fees,
16	customization fees and related costs, as discussed by
17	Company Witness Ivan Kimball in the Electric Supply
18	Testimony.
19 •	As described in the testimony of the Customer Energy
20	Solutions Panel, the Company has:
21	o Amended General Rule 17.5, Request for Aggregated
22	Company Records, (Leaf 128) to indicate that

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1		Building-level Data will be provided in accordance
2		with the relevant aggregation privacy standard.
3		o Eliminated Rider O and all references to Rider O.
4	Q.	Does this conclude your testimony?
5	Α.	Yes.