

DE 10-188
CORE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND GAS ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS FOR
2011-2012

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December 22, 2010

Background: Tom Frantz and Jack Ruderman in a letter filed by on December 13, 2010 proposed that 80% of the total funds (\$280,000) needed for the SB 323 study be funded by amounts remaining in the CORE and gas utilities M&E budget from 2010. Eighty percent of \$280,000 is \$224,000.

Record Request by Alan Linder.

The record request would be basically how much, if any, is proposed to come from the electric CORE 2010 M&E budget for the SB 323 study; secondly how much, if any is proposed to come from the 2010 gas utilities M&E budgets for the SB 323 study. Similarly, with respect to the 2011 M&E budgets, how much, if any, would be proposed to come from the CORE 2011 M&E budget for the SB 323 study; and how much, if any, would be proposed to come from the 2011 gas utilities M&E budget for the SB 323 studies. Also, how much is available the CORE and in the gas utilities M&E budget that was unspent in 2010, and how to fund the proposed 2011 CORE M&E budget given that there appears to be a shortfall in 2011 CORE M&E budgets for planned activities.

RECORD REQUEST RESPONSE

As stated in the December 13, 2010, Staff proposes that the Commission fund 80% of the SB 323 study with unspent money in the CORE and Gas M&E 2010 budgets.

The CORE budgets comprise 82% of the total CORE and Gas M&E 2010 budgets. Staff proposes that 82% of the SB 323 study costs, or \$183,680, be supported by unspent 201 CORE M&E.¹

According to information obtained from the electric utilities and the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC), available 2010 monies are as follows:

Utility	Unspent M&E
PSNH	\$389,298
UES	64,810
NGrid	35,692 (combined total 2010 budget carryover)
NHEC	37,214
Total	\$527,014

¹ At the hearing, PSNH asked that the Commission allocate costs from the Electric Utilities and NHEC according to the pro rata share described in attachment to the December 13, 2010 letter.

The Staff proposes that the remaining \$40,320 be supported by the Gas Utilities through the unspent 2010 M&E money. According to our best information, Northern Gas has \$8,332 in unspent 2010 M&E. EnergyNorth has \$2.6 million in unexpended monies for 2010 combined programs.

In the December 13, 2010 letter, Staff said it did not plan to use any of the 2011 M&E money for the SB 323 study.

Exhibit C to the Settlement Agreement listed M&E projects contemplated for 2011. If the budget is inadequate to support all of the activities, Staff will recommend revisions to the ME& projects for 2011.