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INVESTMENT PROGRAM, AND )  
RELATED COST RECOVERY )  
MECHANISM, PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. )  
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JOINT TESTIMONY OF  
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1 **I. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS**

2 **Q. Would the members of the Engineering Panel Review (“Panel”) please state**  
3 **your names, positions, and business address.**

4 A. My name is Charles Salamone, PE. I am Owner of Cape Power Systems  
5 Consulting, LLC a power systems consulting Company with an address of 630  
6 Cumberland Dr., Flagler Beach, Florida and I am a subcontractor of Synapse  
7 Energy Economics, Inc. (“Synapse”).

8 My name is Maximilian Chang. I am a Principal Associate with Synapse Energy  
9 Economics, an energy consulting company located at 485 Massachusetts Avenue,  
10 Cambridge, Massachusetts.

11 **Q. On whose behalf are you submitting testimony in this proceeding?**

12 A. We are submitting testimony on behalf of the New Jersey Division of Rate  
13 Counsel (“Rate Counsel”).

14 **Q. Mr. Salamone, please describe your education and professional background.**

15 1. I hold a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Gannon  
16 University. I joined the Engineering Department of Commonwealth Electric  
17 Company in 1973. At that time, I became a Junior Planning Engineer where my  
18 primary responsibilities were to assist in the planning, analysis, and design of the  
19 transmission and distribution systems of Commonwealth Electric Company, later  
20 known as NSTAR. I generally followed the normal progression of positions with  
21 increasing levels of responsibility within the planning area until taking the  
22 position of Director of System Planning at NSTAR in 2000. I held that position

1 until starting Cape Power Systems Consulting, LLC in 2005. During my career  
2 with NSTAR, in addition to the responsibilities associated with overseeing  
3 System Planning, I served as Chair of the New England Power Pool (“NEPOOL”)  
4 Planning Policy Subcommittee (1997-1998), Chair of the NEPOOL Regional  
5 Transmission Planning Committee (1998-1999), and Vice Chair of the NEPOOL  
6 Reliability Committee (1999-2000). As a consultant, I have been providing  
7 consulting services to a number of power system industry clients since 2005. I am  
8 a Registered Professional Engineer with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I  
9 am also a senior member of the Power Engineering Society of the Institute of  
10 Electrical and Electronic Engineers. A copy of my resume is attached hereto as  
11 **Attachment RC-ENG-1.**

12 **Q. Mr. Salamone, have you previously testified before utility regulatory**  
13 **agencies?**

14 A. Yes. I have previously testified before the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities  
15 (“BPU” or “Board”), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”), the  
16 Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, and the Massachusetts Energy  
17 Facilities Siting Board on a number of technical matters relating to ratemaking  
18 and system planning.

19 **Q. Mr. Chang, please describe your professional background at Synapse Energy**  
20 **Economics.**

21 A. My experience is summarized in my resume, which is attached as **Attachment**  
22 **RC-ENG-2.** I am an environmental engineer and energy economics analyst who  
23 has analyzed energy industry issues for ten years. In my current position at

1 Synapse Energy Economics, I focus on economic and technical analysis of many  
2 aspects of the electric power industry, including: (1) utility mergers and  
3 acquisitions, (2) utility reliability performance and distribution investments, (3)  
4 nuclear power, (4) wholesale and retail electricity markets, and (5) energy  
5 efficiency and demand response alternatives. I have been an author and project  
6 coordinator for the last two biennial New England Avoided Energy Supply  
7 Component reports, which were used by energy efficiency program administrators  
8 in the six New England states to evaluate energy efficiency programs.

9 **Q. Mr. Chang, please describe your educational background.**

10 A. I hold a Master of Science degree from the Harvard School of Public Health in  
11 Environmental Health and Engineering Studies, and a Bachelor of Science degree  
12 from Cornell University in Biology and Classical Civilizations.

13 **Q. Mr. Chang, have you previously submitted testimony before the Board of**  
14 **Public Utilities?**

15 A. Yes. I filed testimony before the Board in dockets GO12050363 (South Jersey  
16 Gas Energy Efficiency), EM14060581 (Exelon-PHI Merger), ER14030250  
17 (RECO Storm Resiliency), and GM15101196 (AGL Southern Company Merger),  
18 ER17030308 (ACE Rate Case), ER18010029 (PSEG Rate Case).

19 **Q. Mr. Chang, have you previously testified before utility regulatory agencies?**

20 A. Yes. I have previously testified before the District of Columbia Public Service  
21 Commission, the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission, the Illinois Property Tax  
22 Appeal Board, the Maine Public Utilities Commission, the Maryland Public  
23 Service Commission, and the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. I

1 have also filed testimony before the Delaware Public Utilities Commission, the  
2 Kansas Commerce Corporation, the Illinois Commerce Commission, and the  
3 United States District Court for the District of Maine.

4 **II. PURPOSE AND SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS**

5 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?**

6 A. The purpose of our testimony is to review aspects of Atlantic City Electric’s (the  
7 “Company” or “ACE”) petition (“Petition”) to seek approval from the New Jersey  
8 Board of Public Utilities (the “Board”) for the implementation of their  
9 Infrastructure Investment Program (“ACE IIP”). As filed, the ACE IIP spending  
10 proposal amounts to \$338.2 million over the next four years.

11 **Q. Please summarize your findings and recommendations.**

12 A. We find numerous deficiencies in the filing that include:

- 13 • The lack of in-service dates for each of the proposed projects as required  
14 under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3
- 15 • The lack of applicable benefit cost analysis for each of the proposed  
16 projects as required under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3
- 17 • The lack of detailed engineering reports for each of the projects as  
18 required under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3
- 19 • The Company’s proposed baseline spending of \$60 million per year based  
20 on depreciation expenses should be rejected, since that value ignores the  
21 Company’s 2013-2017 five-year historical spending of \$146 million per

1 year. We recommend that the \$146 million is a more representative  
2 starting point for the Company’s baseline annual spending level.

- 3 • If the Board were to proceed with approval of ACE’s IIP, notwithstanding  
4 the identified deficiencies, we recommend that the Company approve of a  
5 four-year program of \$20 million. The \$20 million budget reflects our  
6 adjustments to the Company’s proposal removing: (1) the Company’s  
7 existing Reliability Improvement Program (“RIP”) spending, (2) blanket  
8 spending that should not receive accelerated recovery, (3) retirement and  
9 replacement spending that should not receive accelerated recovery, (4)  
10 upgrade spending that should not receive accelerated recovery, and 5)  
11 facilities spending that should not receive accelerated recovery.

12 **III. INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PLAN REGULATION**

13 **Q. What is your understanding of the Infrastructure Investment Program**  
14 **Regulation within New Jersey?**

15 A. It is our understanding that the Board established the Infrastructure Investment  
16 regulation (“IIP Regulation”) to support distribution investments that go above  
17 and beyond “business as usual” distribution system spending.<sup>1</sup> In broad terms, the  
18 Board has indicated that qualifying projects would be eligible for accelerated  
19 investment and must enhance the reliability, resiliency and safety of the grid.<sup>2</sup> The  
20 IIP Regulation does not supplant an EDC’s responsibility to maintain adequate  
21 spending for normal distribution operations.

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<sup>1</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.1(a)

<sup>2</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.1(a)

1 **Q. Would this make any project eligible under the Infrastructure Investment**  
2 **Regulation?**

3 A. No, the IIP Regulation “encourages and supports necessary accelerated  
4 construction, installation, and rehabilitation of certain utility plants and  
5 equipment.”<sup>3</sup> The phrase “certain” does not include all or most. As a result, we  
6 believe that the IIP Regulation is intended for those investments that would not  
7 likely occur without an accelerated cost recovery mechanism. Additionally, the  
8 Board’s IIP Regulation clearly states that qualifying investments must be well  
9 supported as per the Board’s minimum filing requirements in the form of  
10 engineering evaluations and cost benefit analyses justifying both their cost  
11 effectiveness and impact on the reliability and resiliency goals as established by  
12 the Board.<sup>4</sup> If the projects are deemed eligible and they meet the requirements set  
13 forth in the IIP Regulation, once approved by the Board, the IIP mechanism  
14 would allow the utility to accelerate these qualifying capital investments and  
15 obtain accelerated recovery for these investments.

16  
17 **Q. As defined by the Board, what projects are eligible for accelerated cost**  
18 **recovery under the IIP Regulation?**

19 A. Projects eligible under the accelerated cost recovery mechanism as established by  
20 the IIP Regulation must enhance safety, reliability and/or resiliency and must be

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<sup>3</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.1(b)

<sup>4</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3



1 non-revenue producing.<sup>5</sup> It is our understanding that program eligibility must be  
2 supported by engineering evaluations and cost benefit analyses to be provided by  
3 the utility.<sup>6</sup> Also, the projects eligible under the IIP must be incremental to the  
4 annual baseline spending levels established by the Board.<sup>7</sup>

5 **Q. Please describe additional eligibility requirements of the regulation.**

6 A. Another critical eligibility criterion of the IIP Regulation is the Board's  
7 requirement that:

8           Only expenditures that are in excess of the annual baseline spending  
9           levels established by the Board and that meet the other requirements of  
10          this subchapter shall be eligible for accelerated recovery pursuant to  
11          N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.6.  
12

13 We believe that the Board incorporated this provision to ensure that eligible  
14 programs would not replace or supplant the Company's normal distribution  
15 spending to provide safe and reliable service to customers. We do not think that  
16 the Board intended the Company to reduce baseline distribution infrastructure  
17 budgets and to shift normal reliability projects to the proposed infrastructure  
18 investment program.

19 **IV. ACE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PLAN**

20 **Q. Please summarize the Company's proposed IIP spending.**

21 A. The Company is seeking Board approval to spend \$338 million between 2019  
22 through 2022 for its IIP. Witness Bryan Clark's direct testimony provides a

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<sup>5</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.1(a)

<sup>6</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)

<sup>7</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.3(d)

1 summary of the Company’s proposed IIP capital spending between 2019 - 2022.  
 2 We have provided a graphical representation of the capital spending below:

3 **Schedule 1 Proposed ACE IIP Budgets for 2019-2022<sup>8</sup>**



4  
 5 The Company’s proposed IIP spending is concentrated in five categories.

6 **Q. What are the five budget categories of the Company’s IIP spending?**

7 A. The five categories of the Company’s IIP plan are described below:

8 **Targeted Reliability Improvements:** The Company describes its Targeted  
 9 Reliability Improvements as projects that will provide reliability improvements to  
 10 the Company’s distribution system. The Company cites priority feeder and  
 11 comprehensive feeder improvement projects as significant drivers of this  
 12 category. In addition, the Company includes recloser improvements and  
 13 installation of capacitors and other substation infrastructure under this category.

<sup>8</sup> Direct Testimony of Bryan Clark. February 28, 2018. Table 5.

1       The Company proposes to spend \$66.4 million on these projects over the four-  
2       year period.

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4       **Infrastructure Renewal:** The Company’s Infrastructure Renewal category  
5       includes projects that upgrade, replace or repair system infrastructure with a focus  
6       on equipment near substations—such as switchgear and transformers. This  
7       category would also include the retiring of substations. Additionally, the  
8       Company has included feeder conversions from 4 kV to 12 kV, the replacement  
9       of deteriorated underground residential distribution cable, and/or pole  
10      replacement work.<sup>9</sup> The Company proposes to spend \$103.2 million on these  
11     projects over the four-year period.

12     **Facilities:** The Company’s Facilities category includes projects that provide  
13     physical and logistical support facilities. These include vehicle fueling stations  
14     and a new operations center building. The Company is proposing to spend \$29.4  
15     million on facilities over the four-year period.

16     **Emergency:** Emergency category allocates spending for addressing unforeseen  
17     scenarios or emergencies on the Company’s distribution system. The Company  
18     has indicated that the spending amounts are preliminary estimates and may vary  
19     from year to year depending upon events.<sup>10</sup> The Company proposes to allocate  
20     \$46.2 million for emergencies over the four-year period.

21     **Distribution Automation/ Telecom:** The Company’s proposed Distribution  
22     Automation (“DA”) includes the continued deployment of smart grid technology

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<sup>9</sup> Direct Testimony on Bryan Clark. February 28, 2018. Appendix page 7.

<sup>10</sup> Direct Testimony of Bryan Clark. Appendix page 9.

1 and includes automatic sectionalizing and restoration (“ASR”) schemes that  
2 improve system reliability by automatically isolating faults and restoring  
3 unaffected portions of feeders through advanced sensors, controls, and  
4 communications systems. The Company has indicated that candidate ASR scheme  
5 feeders would be identified based on the frequency of permanent (substation and  
6 recloser level) lockout events.<sup>11</sup> This category also includes telecommunications  
7 investments to support DA equipment. The Company has indicated that the  
8 investments would entail ACE’s wireless mesh communications network, on a  
9 private network from a broadband provider, or on a newly established private  
10 broadband network. The Company proposes to spend \$93.2 million on this  
11 category over the four-year period.

12 **Q. Did the IIP Regulation mandate minimum filing requirements for IIP**  
13 **petitions?**

14 A. Yes, in addition to supplemental information that may be required by the Board  
15 detailed in N.J.A.C. 14:3 2A.5(b). The minimum filing requirements to be filed as  
16 part of an IIP petition include:

- 17 1. Projected annual capital expenditure budgets for a five-year period,  
18 identified by major categories of expenditures;
- 19 2. Actual annual capital expenditures for the previous five years,  
20 identified by major categories of expenditures;
- 21 3. An engineering evaluation and report identifying the specific projects  
22 to be included in the proposed Infrastructure Investment Program, with  
23 descriptions of project objectives-including the specific expected  
24 resilience benefits, detailed cost estimates, in service dates, and any  
25 applicable cost-benefit analysis for each project;

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<sup>11</sup> Direct Testimony of Bryan Clark. Appendix page 5.

- 1           4. An Infrastructure Investment Program budget setting forth annual
- 2           budget expenditures;
- 3           5. A proposal addressing when the utility intends to file its next base rate
- 4           case, consistent with N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.6(f);
- 5           6. Proposed annual baseline spending levels, consistent with N.J.A.C.
- 6           14:3-2A.3(a) and (b);
- 7           7. The maximum dollar amount, in aggregate, the utility seeks to recover
- 8           through the Infrastructure Investment Program; and
- 9           8. The estimated rate impact of the proposed Infrastructure Investment
- 10          Program on customers.<sup>12</sup>

11  
12          The Company’s Petition would thus need to conform to these requirements for the  
13          Board to consider the eligibility of the ACE IIP projects.

14       **Q.    Did ACE’s IIP petition meet the minimum filing requirements as required by**  
15       **the Board?**

16       A.    No. The Company’s petition was deficient in several respects. First, the  
17       Company’s petition did not include an engineering evaluation and report  
18       identifying specific projects as required by N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3. The  
19       Company’s petition included a 13-page appendix that provided annual spending  
20       budgets for each individual project for the period 2019-2022.<sup>13</sup> We do not believe  
21       that the appendix qualifies as an “engineering report” since there were no detailed  
22       analyses provided for any of the individual projects proposed. Second, the  
23       Company’s petition lacked any applicable cost benefit analyses for each project as  
24       required under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5 (b)3. Third, the Company’s petition did not  
25       provide in-service dates for any of the individual projects as required under  
26       N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5 (b)3.

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<sup>12</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)

<sup>13</sup> Direct testimony of Bryan Clark. February 28, 2018. Appendix.

1 **Q. What would an appropriate engineering report look like?**

2 A. N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3 lists as a filing requirement engineering evaluation and  
3 report that would be part of an IIP Regulation petition. However, we recognize  
4 that the IIP Regulation is a new law with details yet to be determined by the  
5 Board. Therefore, for illustrative purposes, we have attached as **Attachment RC-**  
6 **ENG-3** a list of elements that should be included in any engineering report filed  
7 under the IIP for the Board's consideration. Ideally, the information should be  
8 provided in a form of a template that is uniform across all IIP filings. We believe  
9 that a standardized engineering report with full and complete information will  
10 provide practical benefits for the Board and the parties to any IIP proceeding. For  
11 petitioners, a standard template form provides certainty to what information  
12 should be included. For stakeholders, a template allows for a more expeditious  
13 review process since required information will be standardized. In addition, a  
14 standard report form will allow the Board to compare projects across utilities in a  
15 more systematic manner and allow the Board to better track projects.

16  
17 **Q. Please summarize your recommendations to the Board regarding the**  
18 **Company's IIP petition as submitted.**

19 A. As we have noted above, we find that the Company's IIP petition was deficient in  
20 several respects that leaves the Board with insufficient evidence to grant ACE's  
21 request. We believe solely on that basis the Board should reject the filed petition.  
22 However, should the Board consider ACE's IIP Petition despite these

1 deficiencies, we recommend the Board adopt several adjustments described in the  
2 following sections of our testimony.

3 **V. HISTORICAL DISTRIBUTION CAPITAL SPENDING TO ESTABLISH**  
4 **BASELINE SPENDING**

5 **Q. Please summarize your recommendations regarding the Company's**  
6 **proposed baseline spending.**

7 A. We find that the Company's projected baseline spending of \$60 million per year  
8 is well below historical trends. We recommend that the annual baseline spending  
9 levels should be established based on five years of historical capital and O&M  
10 spending which includes all previously proposed projects included in prior rate  
11 case filings and not part of a special infrastructure programs. Our analysis  
12 indicates that the Company's five-year historical spending (2013-2017) has  
13 averaged \$146 million per year. The Board should use the historical spending as  
14 the starting point for baseline spending.

15 **Q. Does the Regulation establish baseline spending requirements?**

16 A. The IIP Regulation requires the establishment of baseline spending levels under  
17 N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.3(b) and requires infrastructure program spending to be  
18 incremental to baseline spending in N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.3 (d). The language of  
19 N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.3(b) states:

20 In proposing annual baseline spending levels, the utility shall provide  
21 appropriate data to justify the proposed annual baseline spending levels,  
22 which may include historical capital expenditure budgets, projected  
23 capital expenditure budgets, depreciation expenses, and/or any other data  
24 relevant to the utility's proposed baseline spending level.

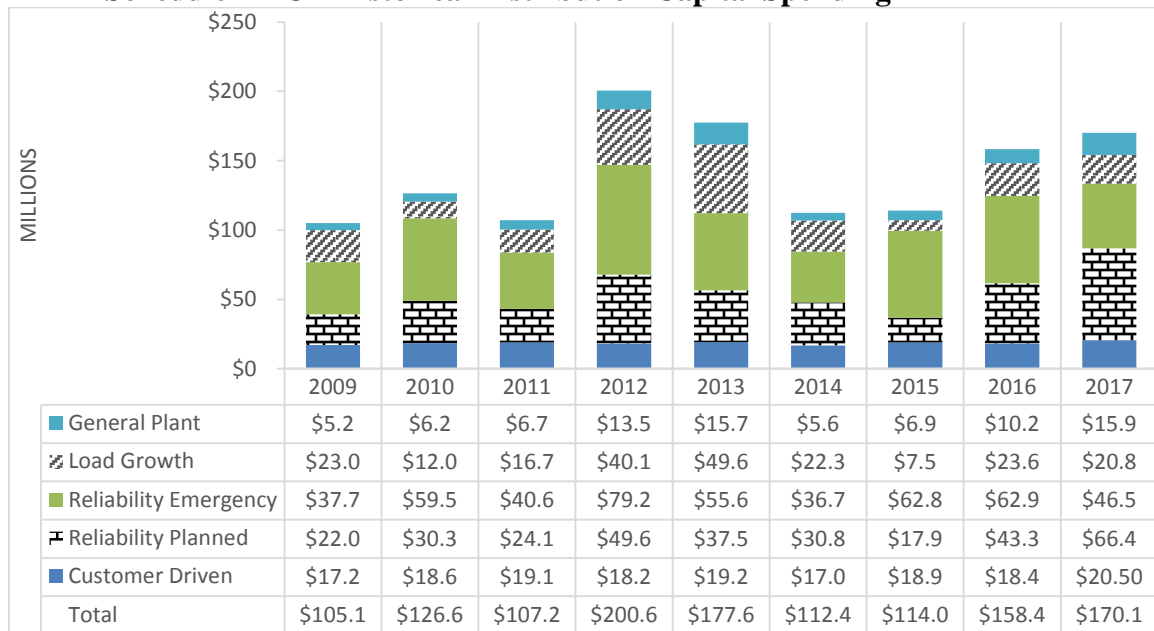
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26 Additionally, the language of N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.3(d) states:

1 Only expenditures that are in excess of the annual baseline spending  
 2 levels established by the Board and that meet the other requirements of  
 3 this subchapter shall be eligible for accelerated recovery pursuant to  
 4 N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.6.  
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6 **Q. Does the Company provide a summary of historical baseline spending in its**  
 7 **Petition?**

8 A. Yes, ACE Witness Mr. Kevin McGowan’s direct testimony provides a summary  
 9 of the Company’s historical capital spending through 2017. The Company’s  
 10 overall distribution capital spending are presented below.

11 **Schedule 2 ACE Historical Distribution Capital Spending<sup>14</sup>**



12 Schedule 2 shows the breakdown of the five capital spending categories as  
 13 defined by the Company. Overall, the Company’s distribution capital spending  
 14 has generally increased from 2009 and 2011 levels. These expenditures are  
 15 inclusive of the 2011 Reliability Improvement Program (“RIP”) program as  
 16

<sup>14</sup> Direct Testimony of Kevin McGowan. February 28, 2018. Table 1



1 discussed below. The Company's five-year (2013-2017) annual distribution  
2 capital spending average is \$146.5 million.

3 **Q. Does the Company provide a projected baseline spending amount in its**  
4 **Petition?**

5 A. Yes, the Company has asserted that its baseline spending is equal to its annual  
6 depreciation expense.<sup>15</sup> The Company has determined its annual depreciation  
7 expense to be \$60 million per year based on 2017 calendar year results.<sup>16</sup> For the  
8 purposes of our testimony, we do not specifically comment on the appropriateness  
9 of the Company's \$60 million depreciation expense.

10 **Q. Are depreciation expenses one of the components identified by the Board**  
11 **when establishing baseline spending amounts?**

12 A. While the Board did identify depreciation expenses as a factor in establishing  
13 baseline spending levels, the important distinction is that the Board also included  
14 historical capital expenditure budgets, projected capital expenditure budgets,  
15 and/or any other data relevant to the utility's proposed baseline spending level.  
16 We do not believe that the Board intended that depreciation expenses be the sole  
17 determinant for establishing the Company's baseline spending. The depreciation  
18 expenses are not the same as past spending levels and are not reflective of the  
19 actual costs required by the Company to maintain its distribution system.

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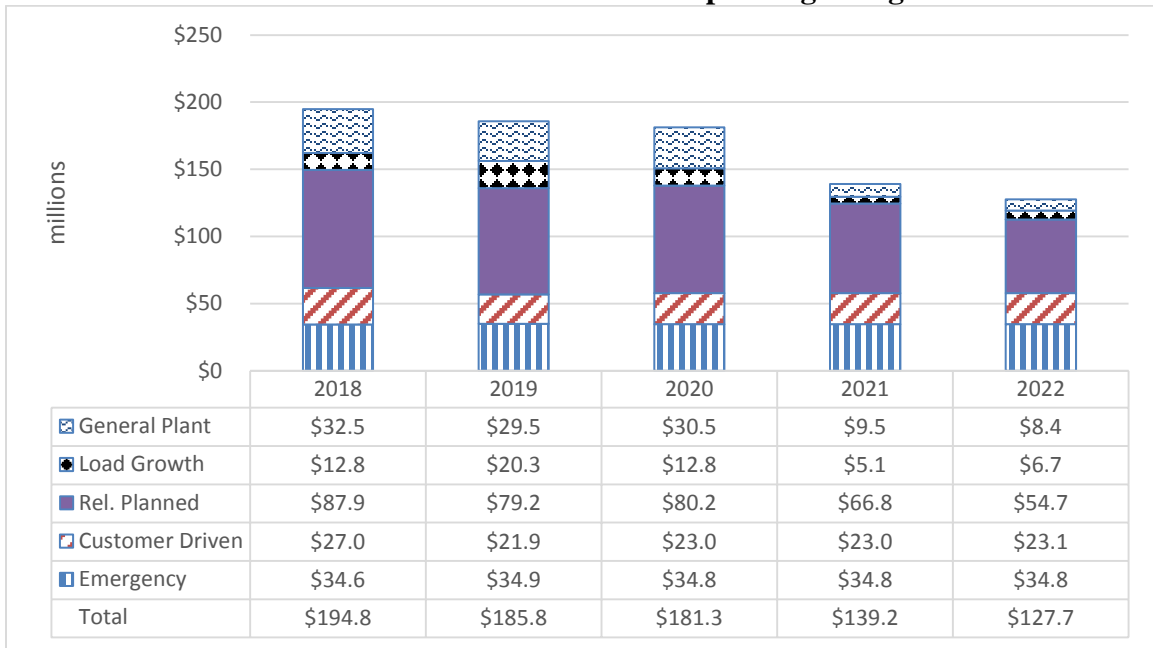
<sup>15</sup> Direct Testimony of Kevin McGowan. February 28, 2018. Page 9, lines 6-10.

<sup>16</sup> Ibid. Page 11, lines 21-23.

1 **Q. Does the Company’s Petition include an overall distribution capital budget**  
 2 **projection inclusive of ACE’s IIP costs and baseline spending?**

3 A. Yes, the Company provides an overall projected distribution spending summary  
 4 for 2018-2022. We have provided a summary of the Company’s projected budget  
 5 in the following figure that include both baseline and IIP spending.

6 **Schedule 3 ACE’s Forecasted Distribution Spending Categories<sup>17</sup>**



7  
 8 We present both the five-year (2018-2022) and four-year (2019-2022) budgets  
 9 since we are in September 2018, with almost three quarters of the year already  
 10 passed. ACE’s five-year (2018-2022) and four-year (2019-2022) total projected  
 11 distribution capital spending amounts are \$828 and \$634 million respectively. The  
 12 annual average for the five-year and four-year periods are \$165.8 and \$158.5  
 13 million per year. We also note that under the Exelon-Pepco Holdings merger

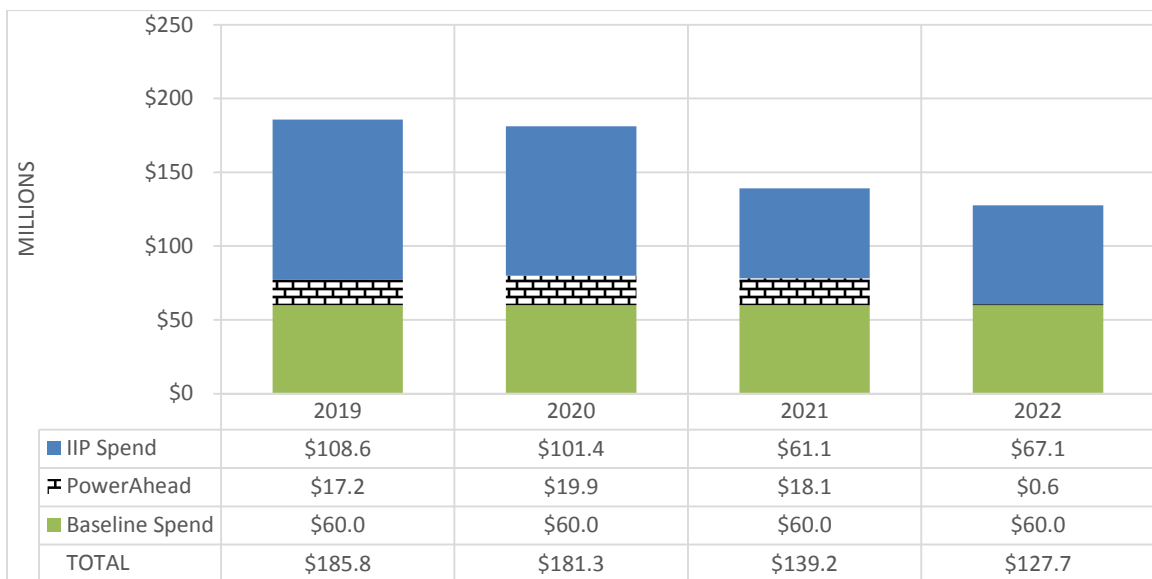
<sup>17</sup> Direct Testimony of Witness Clark, Table 4, Pg. 7

1 commitments, Exelon committed to spend \$52.9 million in 2018, and \$48.1  
 2 million in 2019 for the Company’s Reliability Improvement Plan.<sup>18</sup>

3 **Q. Does the Company provide projected distribution capital spending**  
 4 **categorized by baseline and IIP spending?**

5 A. Yes, the Company does provide a summary of its projected spending that we  
 6 presented in Schedule 3, but recategorized based on both baseline, IIP, and RIP  
 7 spending. We present the 2019-2022 projected spending based on the Company’s  
 8 recategorization in the following figure.

9 **Schedule 4 ACE’s 2019-2022 Total Distribution Spending Budgets**  
 10 **Categorized by Proposed Baseline, Proposed ACE IIP, and PowerAhead<sup>19</sup>**  
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Schedule 4 shows the total distribution spending split among the Company’s  
 proposed annual baseline spending, the ACE IIP spending proposal and the

<sup>18</sup> I/M/O Merger of Exelon Corporation and Pepco Holdings. BPU Docket EM14060581. Order March 6, 2015.

<sup>19</sup> Direct Testimony of McGowan, Table 2, Pg. 9

1 Company's PowerAhead program that was the subject of BPU Docket  
2 ER16030252.<sup>20</sup> The schedule shows that ACE's proposed IIP would comprise 44  
3 to 58 percent of the Company's projected annual distribution capital spending  
4 depending on the year. Over the entire 2019-2022 period, the Company's IIP  
5 program would represent 53 percent of the Company's total distribution capital  
6 spending. We do not believe that the Board intended the IIP program to comprise  
7 over one half of the Company's total distribution spending. The language of the  
8 IIP Regulation seeks to "enhance the reliability, resiliency and safety of the grid"  
9 and "encourages and supports necessary accelerated construction, installation, and  
10 rehabilitation of certain utility plants and equipment."<sup>21</sup> The IIP Regulation was  
11 not intended to replace the normal treatment of distribution spending required to  
12 provide safe and reliable service.<sup>22</sup> By including 53 percent of the projected  
13 distribution in its proposed IIP, ACE has transformed a program designed to  
14 enhance spending on "certain utility plant and equipment" into a cost recovery  
15 mechanism for most of the Company's distribution capital spending. This was not  
16 the intent of the IIP Regulation.

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<sup>20</sup> BPU No. ER16030252. Under the stipulation, the Company will spend \$79 million over a five-year period on projects to improve storm resiliency. We understand that the Company has excluded PowerAhead spending from its proposed IIP (RCR-E-8). In addition, we understand the Company has not filed an recovery adjustment filing for its PowerAhead program.

<sup>21</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.1(b)

<sup>22</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.1(a)

1 **Q. Are there other components to the Company's distribution budget that the**  
2 **Board should consider as part of baseline spending in its review of ACE's IIP**  
3 **petition?**

4 A. Yes, we believe that the Company's RIP should be considered as part of the  
5 Company's baseline spending since the RIP predates and is independent of the IIP  
6 petition.

7 **Q. Please describe the background of the Reliability Improvement Program.**

8 ACE's reliability performance was cited as a concern in the Company's 2009 base  
9 rate case.<sup>23</sup> In that proceeding, the parties (Board Staff, Rate Counsel, and the  
10 Company) agreed to enter a Phase II proceeding to address reliability concerns  
11 among other matters.<sup>24</sup> The resulting 2011 stipulation that forms the basis of the  
12 RIP requires the Company to improve two key performance metrics - SAIDI  
13 (System Average Interruption Duration Index), and SAIFI (System Average  
14 Interruption Frequency Index).<sup>25</sup>

15 The primary goals of the RIP were to achieve:

- 16 • A SAIDI of 160 minutes from a 2009 baseline of 211 minutes (a 25  
17 percent reduction), and

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<sup>23</sup> I/M/O ACE, BPU Docket No. ER09080664. Order May 22, 2010.

<sup>24</sup> I/M/) ACE, BPU Docket Nos. EO09010049 and EO09010054. Order May 16, 2011.

<sup>25</sup> SAIDI is the metric that represents the average duration of sustained interruptions for the system during the year (in minutes). SAIFI represents the average frequency of sustained interruptions per customer during the year. CAIDI represents the average duration of sustained interruptions experienced by customers. Lower values for SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI indicate improved reliability.

- 1           • A SAIFI of 1.3 events from a 2009 baseline of 1.61 events (20 percent  
2           reduction).<sup>26</sup>

3   **Q. Did the Company achieve the Reliability Goals stated in the RIP?**

4   A. The goals laid out in the 2011 RIP stipulation were achieved in 2016. The  
5   Company achieved a 2016 SAIFI of 1.18 events and a 2016 SAIDI of 125  
6   minutes. It is self-evident that a SAIDI of 125 minutes is lower than the RIP target  
7   of 160 minutes, and a SAIFI of 1.18 events is lower than the RIP target of 1.3  
8   events.<sup>27</sup> Moreover, these reported reliability metrics meet the Company's  
9   minimum reliability standards set forth under N.J.A.C. 14:5-8.2.<sup>28</sup> For the  
10   Company, the minimum reliability level for SAIFI is 1.71 and for CAIDI is 144  
11   minutes.<sup>29</sup>

12   **Q. Has the Company extended its RIP reliability commitments beyond the 2011**  
13   **Stipulation that would affect any consideration of an infrastructure**  
14   **investment program?**

15   A. Yes, as part of the Exelon/Pepco Holdings merger ("Merger") settlement of 2015,  
16   Exelon made reliability commitments for ACE to continue to spend on RIP  
17   projects upon completion of the merger and for ACE to meet specified reliability  
18   targets by 2020.<sup>30</sup> These commitments are 1.05 for SAIFI and 100 minutes for

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<sup>26</sup> Ibid. Page 7.

<sup>27</sup> RCR-E-111 Attachment 1

<sup>28</sup> N.J.A.C. 14:5-8.2

<sup>29</sup> RCR-E-111 Attachment 1. The CAIDI of 144 minutes is equal to a SAIDI of 246 minutes since SAIDI is equal to SAIFI times CAIDI.

<sup>30</sup> *Order Approving Stipulation of Merger Settlement*. BPU Docket No. EM14060581. February 11, 2015. Page 12. The calculations for the 2020 reliability commitments is based on a three-year historical average.

1 CAIDI on a three-year moving average. The 2020 Merger reliability  
2 commitments are more stringent than the 2011 RIP commitments.<sup>31</sup> Because  
3 these commitments were made prior to ACE's IIP filing, we do not consider the  
4 spending needed to meet the Merger reliability commitments to be incremental to  
5 the Company's current baseline spending.

6 **Q. Has the Company met its Merger reliability commitments ahead of schedule?**

7 **A.** Yes. The Company's 2017 three-year average SAIFI was 1.02, and three-year  
8 average CAIDI was 88.<sup>32</sup> Both are below the Merger reliability commitments for  
9 2020. We consider the Company's improvements in reliability performance to  
10 lessen any urgent need to accelerate distribution spending.

11 **Q. What were the commitments on RIP spending made as part of the Merger?**

12 **A.** Exelon made a commitment that it would continue the RIP and would maintain  
13 the levels of spending on the RIP that are described generally in Mr. McGowan's  
14 direct testimony.<sup>33</sup> The spending commitments from the Merger Stipulation are  
15 provided below:

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<sup>31</sup> Direct Testimony of Bryan Clark, Page 4, lines 1-2.

<sup>32</sup> RCR-E-5

<sup>33</sup> Direct Testimony of Kevin McGowan. Page 17, lines 14-22.

1                    **Schedule 5 Merger RIP Commitments (millions)**

<b>Categories</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2017-2019</b>
Priority Feeders	\$7.8	\$5.0	\$10.0	\$10.0	\$10.0	\$5.0	\$25.0
Load Growth	\$20.1	\$7.4	\$23.2	\$19.4	\$23.5	\$30.8	\$73.7
Distribution Automation	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$10.6	\$8.6	\$8.6	\$6.1	\$23.3
Feeder Improvement Plan	\$6.7	\$4.7	\$7.5	\$8.0	\$8.5	\$5.5	\$22.0
Substation Improvement	\$3.6	\$1.5	\$3.8	\$4.6	\$2.3	\$0.7	\$7.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$41.5</b>	<b>\$21.9</b>	<b>\$55.1</b>	<b>\$50.6</b>	<b>\$52.9</b>	<b>\$48.1</b>	<b>\$151.6</b>
Vegetation Management	\$14.4	\$14.6	\$14.6	\$14.6	\$14.6	\$14.6	\$43.8
<b>Notes</b>							
Exelon Merger Stipulation. Docket EM14060581, February 11, 2015							

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 3                    We have accordingly incorporated the Company’s RIP spending in our estimates  
 4                    of baseline spending and recommend that future RIP spending be included as part  
 5                    of baseline spending, not part of ACE’s IIP.

6                    **Q.    What is your recommendation on how to determine baseline spending levels?**

7                    A.    We recommend that the Board require the Company to establish a baseline  
 8                    spending level that approximates the Company’s historical annual spending of  
 9                    approximately \$146 million for the last five years.

10                  **VI.    RATE COUNSEL ADJUSTMENTS TO IIP**

11                  **Q.    What are your recommended adjustments to the ACE IIP?**

12                  A.    As detailed below, we recommend that the Board approve a four-year \$20 million  
 13                  infrastructure investment program for the Company. Our adjustments to the  
 14                  Company’s proposed \$338 million program exclude many projects that should be  
 15                  considered regular and routine distribution spending.



1 **Q. Please describe the process you followed to determine what projects should**  
2 **be excluded in the ACE IIP.**

3 A. Our process for determining qualifying projects is detailed below. First,  
4 qualifying projects must be incremental to baseline spending amounts. We  
5 recommend that approved programs be incremental to the calculated historical  
6 capital budget and O&M budget spending before being included in the program.  
7 As noted, based on historical capital and O&M spending for the past five years,  
8 the baseline spending should be \$146 million. Second, we would consider the  
9 replacement of facilities or retirement of facilities that have reached their end of  
10 life to be normal reliability spending that should be done as part of baseline  
11 spending, not IIP spending through a clause. Third, there must be an engineering  
12 report for each proposed project. The engineering report must identify specific  
13 benefits and an applicable cost benefit analysis. Additionally, the engineering  
14 report should include project objectives, expected resiliency benefits, detailed cost  
15 estimates, and in-service dates. The Company's brief project summaries do not  
16 meet this requirement. Fourth, we interpret the regulation's language to only  
17 include those facilities that are not directly connected to customers to be non-  
18 revenue producing. This would exclude equipment such as meters, down-drops,  
19 line extensions, etc. Because these projects ultimately result in increased revenues  
20 for the Company through additional customers consuming electricity, we consider  
21 them revenue generating.

1 **Q. Based on these recommendations, do you have an adjusted infrastructure**  
2 **investment program?**

3 A. Yes, we recommend a number of adjustments to the Company's proposed  
4 infrastructure investment program that fall into five specific categories of  
5 projects. These categories are: RIP, blankets, retirements, upgrades, and facilities  
6 and are described in detail below. As we have noted previously, the IIP  
7 Regulation was not intended to replace normal distribution capital spending; it  
8 was meant to enhance and accelerate certain projects. Nor was the IIP Regulation  
9 designed to provide accelerated cost recovery for prior reliability spending  
10 commitments.

11 **Q. Please describe your adjustments for RIP projects.**

12 A. We have identified \$73 million in RIP spending that should not be considered part  
13 of the Company's proposed IIP. As we have noted earlier, the Company has made  
14 a commitment in stipulations to continue its RIP program separate from and prior  
15 to the IIP petition. This \$73 million represents RIP-related projects included in the  
16 Company's IIP Petition in the following three categories: Load Growth,  
17 Distribution Automation, and Feeder Improvements. The Load Growth category  
18 includes \$6.1 million of projects between 2019-2022 that were identified under  
19 both the RIP and IIP Petition.<sup>34</sup> The Feeder Improvement category includes \$16.1

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<sup>34</sup> RCR-E-11 Attachment 2

1 million of RIP projects between 2019-2022.<sup>35</sup> The Distribution Automation  
2 category includes \$51.1 million of RIP projects between 2019-2022.<sup>36</sup>

3 **Q. Please describe your adjustments for Blanket projects.**

4 **A.** We have identified approximately \$126 million of capital spending that we  
5 categorize as blanket spending, which should be undertaken in the normal course  
6 of utility operations. We define “Blankets” as general spending categories that  
7 involve multiple small projects. Excluded Blanket projects include the following  
8 example projects:

- 9 • ACE Emergency Overhead Restoration Blanket: \$45 million
- 10 • ACE Comprehensive Feeder Improvement Blanket: \$21.8 million
- 11 • ACE Dispatch radio improvement Blanket: \$311,909.

12 Moreover, the Company did not provide the supporting information under  
13 N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b) for these projects.

14 **Q. Please describe your adjustments for Replace/Retire projects.**

15 **A.** We have identified approximately \$86 million of capital spending for what we  
16 would categorize as “Replace/Retire” spending, which should be undertaken as  
17 the normal course of utility operations. We would define Replace/Retire as those  
18 projects that are retiring facilities that are at the end of their service life. For  
19 example, these include the following projects:

- 20 • Gibbstown Substation: retire 34/4KV substation: \$640,000

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<sup>35</sup> RCR-E-9 Attachment 2

<sup>36</sup> RCR-E-10 Attachment 2

- 1       • Distribution Pole Replacements: \$18 million
- 2       • Install and replace automatic circuit reclosers (SCR) controls: \$36 million
- 3       • Retire River Substation: \$100,000.

4       Moreover, the Company did not provide the supporting information under  
5       N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b) for these projects.

6       **Q. Please describe your adjustments for Upgrade projects.**

7       **A.** We have identified approximately \$63 million of capital spending for what we  
8       would categorize as “Upgrade” spending, which should be undertaken in the  
9       normal course of utility operations. We would define Upgrades as those projects  
10      that either are system upgrades or the result of meeting new business. For  
11      example, these include the following projects:

- 12      • Motts Farm- distribution line upgrades: \$350,000
- 13      • Terrace Substation install switchgear and upgrade transformers: \$13.8 million
- 14      • Newport Substation establish new 69/12 kV substation: \$6.2 million.

15      Moreover, the Company did not provide the supporting information under  
16      N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b) for these projects.

17      **Q. Please describe your adjustments for Facilities projects.**

18      **A.** We have identified approximately \$29 million of capital spending for what we  
19      would categorize as “Facilities” spending, which should be undertaken as the  
20      normal course of utility operations. We would define Facilities as those projects  
21      that result in the replacement or construction of new distribution facilities. These  
22      include the following three projects:

- 1 • Pleasantville Fuel Island upgrade: \$1.4 million
- 2 • Bridgeton Fuel Island Replacement: \$1.4 million
- 3 • New operations building: \$26.5 million

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6 Company's new operations building is a project that had been proposed, but was  
7 not approved, as part of the original PowerAhead petition. We believe that the  
8 Company can elect to proceed with the project under normal base rates, not under  
9 this clause mechanism. Moreover, the Company did not provide the supporting  
10 information under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b) for these projects.

11 **Q. Are there possible infrastructure investment program projects that you**  
12 **would recommend the Board to approve?**

13 A. Yes. Notwithstanding the identified deficiencies of the ACE IIP in meeting the  
14 requirements set forth under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b), we have identified \$21  
15 million of proposed projects over the four-year period that may meet our criteria  
16 for the infrastructure investment program, if supported by documentation. This  
17 translates to an annual ACE IIP spend of \$5 million. These projects are  
18 predominantly distribution automation projects that incorporate elements of  
19 advanced communications to enable remote control and operation. Example  
20 projects include:

- 21 • Replace SSN Access Points and repeater batteries- Cape May: \$18,566

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<sup>37</sup> RCR-E-24, and RCR-E-26.

- 1       • Install Radio Controls for ACE capacitors: \$13.3 million
- 2       • Add Recloser control capability: \$713,218

3       The Company will also need to demonstrate the reasonableness and prudence of  
4       these selected projects in a future rate case. Moreover, these ACE IIP projects  
5       require the Company to invest a baseline spending amount of \$146 million per  
6       year before recovering the incremental \$5 million per year under the IIP  
7       Regulation cost recovery mechanism.

8       **Q. Please describe why you included Distribution Automation projects in your**  
9       **adjusted ACE IIP recommendations.**

10      A. We include distribution automation projects that are incremental to baseline  
11      spending since Distribution Automation projects are specifically referenced in the  
12      IIP Regulation. However, distribution automation projects must also be integral to  
13      the distribution automation system itself and not a normal protection system or  
14      routine customer reliability expenditure. For example, a project to install an  
15      intelligent recloser that can operate in coordination with other distribution  
16      automation equipment and under the control of a distribution automation system  
17      would be included. On the other hand, a simple recloser or relay that operates  
18      independently from other devices should be excluded from the ACE IIP.

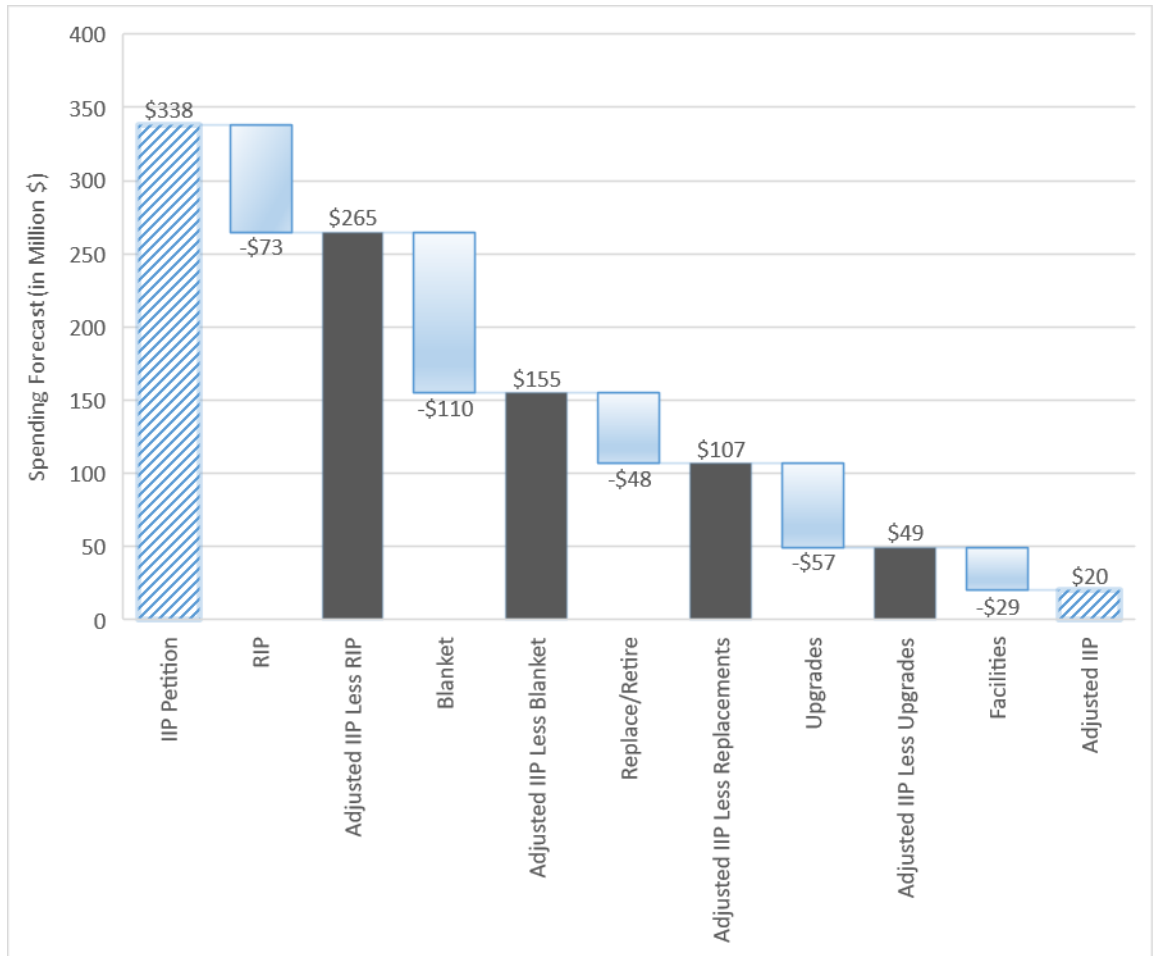
19      **Q. Please summarize your adjustments to the Company's petition.**

20      A. Our adjustments to the Company's petition are shown below.

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**Schedule 6 Rate Counsel Adjustments to IIP.<sup>38</sup>**



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Our adjustments reduce the Company's four-year \$338 million petition to \$20 million and focuses the IIP to concentrate on incremental Distribution Automation spending.

<sup>38</sup> Direct Testimony on Witness Clark. Appendix page 3-12

1   **Q.    How do your adjustments conform to the five budget categories identified in**  
2   **the Company’s petition and described earlier in your testimony?**

3   A.    Our adjustments would be applied to each of the Company’s five spending  
4   categories identified in the petition and described earlier in our testimony. For  
5   example, within the Company’s proposed \$103 million spending for the  
6   Infrastructure Renewal category, we have categorized the following as ineligible  
7   for IIP cost recovery: 1) blanket spending (e.g. UDLACHOCX Facilities  
8   Highway relocations and UDSARD8B Atlantic Distribution substation relay  
9   blanket); 2) retirements (e.g. UDSARD8R7 Gibbstown Substation: Retire 34/4  
10   kV substation and UDSARD8R Valley- Retire 34/12 kV substation); and 3)  
11   upgrades (e.g. UDLALMS2 Moss Mill/ CN Distribution Upgrades and  
12   UDLARWN3 Mantua substation line work).

13   **Q.    Do you find the proposed IIP projects to be imprudent?**

14   A.    The determination whether the excluded projects are prudent should be addressed  
15   in the Company’s next base rate case proceeding. In this proceeding, we do not  
16   assess the reasonableness or prudence of these projects. We are strictly  
17   determining whether these projects should be included in the ACE IIP, and  
18   therefore subject to the special cost recovery provisions allowed under the  
19   Board’s IIP Regulation.



1 **Q. How do your adjustments compare with the Company's overall historical**  
2 **distribution budgets.**

3 A. Our adjustments to the ACE IIP results in a total \$20 million program, or about \$5  
4 million per year over the 2019-2022 period. If we take the five-year historical  
5 average of \$146 million and add our recommended \$5 million per year, this  
6 would result in an overall budget of \$151 million per year. As we have noted  
7 earlier in our direct testimony, the Company's projected annual average spending  
8 for 2019-2022 shown in Schedules 3 and 4 is \$158 million.

9 **VII. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

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11 **Q. What are your recommendations?**

12 A. Our findings and recommendations are summarized as follows:

- 13 • The lack of in-service dates as required under N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5(b)3  
14 renders ACE's petition insufficient.
- 15 • The lack of applicable benefit cost analyses as required under N.J.A.C.  
16 14:3-2A.5(b)3 renders ACE's petition insufficient.
- 17 • The lack of detailed engineering reports as required under N.J.A.C. 14:3-  
18 2A.5(b)3 renders ACE's petition insufficient.
- 19 • The Company's proposed baseline spending of \$60 million per year based  
20 on depreciation expenses understates its baseline expenditures. The  
21 Company's five-year historical spending of \$146 million is a more  
22 accurate baseline spending level that should be used in this proceeding.

1           Notwithstanding the deficiencies of the ACE IIP petition, if the Board were to  
2           proceed with approval of the ACE IIP, we recommend that only \$20 million of  
3           the ACE IIP be approved. The \$20 million IIP budget reflects our adjustments to  
4           the Company's proposal removing: (1) the Company's existing Reliability  
5           Improvement Program ("RIP"), (2) blanket spending that should not receive  
6           accelerated recovery, (3) retirement and replacement spending that should not  
7           receive accelerated recovery, (4) upgrade spending that should not receive  
8           accelerated recovery, and 5) facilities spending that should not receive accelerated  
9           recovery. The \$20 million for distribution automation projects would still need to  
10          meet the IIP Regulation filing requirements to provide adequate supporting  
11          documentation consistent with N.J.A.C. 14:3-2A.5.

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13       **Q.     Does this conclude your testimony?**

14       **A.**     Yes. However, we reserve our right to modify our testimony based on additional  
15       information provided by the Company.

# **ATTACHMENTS**



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Experience:

**2005- Pres. Cape Power Systems Consulting**

Established a power system design, analysis, planning and assessment consulting company to work directly with diverse power system stakeholders.

- Worked with a number of clients for the development of analysis, reports and presentations in support of regulatory and technical review/approval process for transmission and distribution projects
- Provided technical assistance for transmission planning activities for an Independent System Operator including support for major transmission system expansion programs and development of a 10 year transmission plan
- Worked with a large Massachusetts Utility as an expert witness in support of State regulatory reviews for the siting of a major transmission system upgrade plan



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- Worked with state regulatory agencies in support of electric utility rate case proceedings including expert witness testimony and assessment of electric utility performance
- Worked with multiple state regulatory agencies in support of review of electric utility smart grid initiatives including review of the technical performance, system benefits and viability of proposed electric utility programs
- Developed and conducted a comprehensive training program for implementation of an Energy Management System (EMS) based transmission system security assessment application for a large Massachusetts utility
- Worked with clients to conduct load flow assessment of transmission system performance for feasibility and reliability performance studies across New England and New York

### **1979-2005 NSTAR (Previously Boston Edison and Commonwealth Electric)**

#### **2000-2005 *Director System Planning***

NSTAR (Previously Boston Edison and Commonwealth Electric) Boston, MA

- Responsible for long term planning of Company transmission, substation and distribution systems
- Successfully managed the studies, design, internal and external review and regulatory approval for a \$250M 345 kV underground transmission expansion project serving the greater Boston area
- Managed numerous generator interconnection studies, design and approvals
- Successfully managed studies, design and approval for congestion mitigation plans and expansion project
- Oversaw transmission and distribution planning efforts to establish a comprehensive 10 year \$300 million system expansion plan
- Served as Company representative on NEPOOL Reliability Committee and the New England Transmission Expansion Advisory Committee
- Served as Company expert witness for system planning related regulatory proceedings at both the state and federal levels.
- Supervised a staff of 10 senior engineers

#### **1989-1999 *Manager, System Planning and Meter Services***

Commonwealth Electric Company, Wareham, MA

- Develop risk based prioritized \$10 million construction budget procedures
- Supervise a staff of 6 professional engineers and 4 analysts
- Served as chair of the NEPOOL Regional Transmission Planning Committee (currently the NEPOOL Reliability Committee)
- Process billing determinant and interval data for all major system customers
- Lead implementation of first MV90 meter data processing system
- Develop annual performance analysis reports for all transmission and major distribution systems



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- Manage multiple FERC tariff based transmission customer and generation developer system impact studies
- Served as expert Company witness in State and FERC regulatory proceedings
- Implemented a risk index for prioritization of all transmission and major distribution construction projects
- Implemented automated electronic processing of major customer billing data, which significantly reduced time needed to generate bills
- Served as lead member on information technology company merger team
- Implemented process and equipment to perform all tie line, generator and wholesale customer meter testing
- Served as chair of the NEPOOL Planning Process Subcommittee, which established numerous NEPOOL policies for transmission/generator owners
- Served as Vice-Chair of the NEPOOL Reliability Committee

### 1984-1989 ***Meter Engineer***

Commonwealth Electric Company, Plymouth, MA

- Designed and supervised installation of 15 generator meter data recorders
- Developed customer load plotting and analysis software
- Developed meter equipment order data processing system for four remote offices
- Implemented PC control of meter test boards, which significantly reduced processing and record keeping time
- Managed programming of all electronic meter registers to insure accurate data registration

### 1979-1984 ***Computer Application Engineer***

Commonwealth Electric Company, Wareham, MA

- Implemented numerous technical and analytical software applications for engineering analysis
- Served as member of decision team for implementation of a new SCADA system

### 1978-1979 ***San Diego Gas & Electric, Planning Engineer***

San Diego Gas & Electric Company, San Diego, CA

- Performed extensive stability analysis for a new 230 kV transmission interconnection with Mexico
- Performed transmission design and performance analysis for a new 250 mile 500 kV line from San Diego to Arizona

### 1973-1978 ***New England Gas & Electric Association, Planning Engineer***

New England Gas & Electric Association, Cambridge, MA

- Performed extensive stability analysis for a new 560 MW generating plant on Cape Cod
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**Environmental Health and Engineering**, Newton, MA. *Senior Scientist*, 2001 – 2008.

Managed complex EPA-mandated abatement projects involving polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in building-related materials. Provided green building assessment services for new and existing construction projects. Communicated and interpreted environmental data for clients and building occupants. Initiated and implemented web-based health and safety awareness training system used by laboratories and property management companies.

**The Penobscot Group, Inc.**, Boston, MA. *Analyst*, 1994 – 2000.

Authored investment reports on Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) for buy-side research boutique. Advised institutional clients on REIT investment strategies and real estate asset exchanges for public equity transactions. Wrote and edited monthly publications of statistical and graphical comparison of coverage universe.

**Harvard University Extension School**, Cambridge, MA. *Teaching Assistant*, 1995 – 2002.

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**Brigham and Women's Hospital**, Boston, MA. *Cancer Laboratory Technician*, 1992 – 1994.

Studied the biological mechanism of tumor eradication in mouse and human models. Organized and performed immunotherapy experiments for experimental cancer therapy. Analyzed and authored results in peer-reviewed scientific journals.

### EDUCATION

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA  
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## Attachment RC-ENG-3

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# **DISCOVERY RESPONSES**

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Question No: RCR-E-5

With reference to Table 2 of Mr. Clark's testimony on line 4, please restate Table 2 by providing the three-year average of the Company's reliability performance.

**RESPONSE:**

The following table restates Table 2 by providing the three-year average of the Company's reliability performance.

<b>Reliability Performance</b>	<b>2009 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2010 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2011 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2012 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2013 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2014 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2015 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2016 3-Yr Avg.</b>	<b>2017 3-Yr Avg.</b>
SAIDI	196	203	196	178	161	133	110	107	92
SAIFI	1.58	1.60	1.64	1.59	1.55	1.34	1.20	1.11	1.02
CAIDI	124	126	119	112	103	99	91	96	88

Witness: Bryan L. Clark

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Question No: RCR-E-8

With reference to page 9, lines 5 through 7 of Mr. Clark's Direct Testimony:

- d. Please indicate if the Company's PowerAhead program are included in the forecasted spending provided in Table 4;
- e. Please provide a table of forecasted annual spending for the Company's PowerAhead program that matches the categories provided in Table 4; and
- f. Please provide the response to part b in electronic format as an Excel file with all formulae intact.

RESPONSE:

- (d) There are two projects that were included in the forecasted spending Table 4 and these will be removed from the list of projects.
- (e-f) *See* RCR-ROR-3, Attachment 1 for the Company's forecasted annual spending in the PowerAhead program that matches the categories provided in Table 4. The projects are highlighted in peach color on each tab.

Witness: Bryan L. Clark



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Question No: RCR-E-9

With reference to Table 6 of Mr. Clark's Direct Testimony on page 9:

- g. Please describe the distinction between the Company's proposed Target Reliability Improvement subprogram and the Company's current program to address the worst performing feeders including the Company's Priority Feeder program under the Reliability Improvement Plan. Please provide all supporting documentation and analyses.
- h. Please provide the annual spending associated with addressing the Company's worst performing feeders and for the Company's Priority Feeder Program under the Reliability Improvement Plan for the years 2007 through 2017; and
- i. Please provide the annual forecasted spending associated with addressing the Company's worst performing feeders and for the Company's Priority Feeder Program under the Reliability Improvement Plan for the years 2018 through 2022.

RESPONSE:

- (g) ACE's proposed Targeted Reliability Improvement subprogram and the Priority Feeder Program under the Reliability Improvement Plan ("RIP") have related work. Targeted Reliability Improvement feature projects that once installed will provide reliability improvements to ACE's distribution system. The subprogram is inclusive of the Priority Feeder Program work, but also includes comprehensive feeder reliability work, comprehensive reliability improvements, and other infrastructure upgrades.
- (h) *See* RCR-E-9, Attachment 1 for annual Priority Feeder Program spending associated with the RIP from 2011 through 2017.
- (i) *See* RCR-E-9, Attachment 2 for the annual forecasted spending associated with the Company's Priority Feeder Program under the RIP for the years 2018 through 2022.

Witness: Bryan L. Clark

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Question No: RCR-E-10

With reference to Table 6 of Mr. Clark's Direct Testimony on page 9:

- j. Please describe the distinction between the Company's proposed Distribution Automation/ Telecommunications subprogram and the Company's current Distribution Automation program under the current Reliability Improvement Plan. Please provide all supporting documentation and analyses.
- k. Please provide the annual Distribution Automation spending associated with the Company's Reliability Improvement Plan for the years 2011 through 2017; and
- l. Please provide the annual forecasted spending associated with Distribution Automation under the Company's Reliability Improvement Plan for the years 2018 through 2022.

RESPONSE:

- (j) ACE's proposed Distribution Automation/ Telecommunications ("DA/Telecomm") subprogram and the Company's current Distribution Automation ("DA") program under the current Reliability Improvement Plan ("RIP") contain related work. The proposed DA/Telecomm subprogram is part of ACE's overall effort to deploy smart grid technology and infrastructure in order to modernize the distribution system. The telecommunications portion of this subprogram supports DA equipment operations, which communicates via ACE's DA communications network. Further modernizing the grid with distribution automation improvements also serves to improve public safety throughout the grid. For example, areas with a high number of traffic signals that would otherwise endure outages from an upstream fault could receive power from another feeder where power is uninterrupted. This filing will allow for timely recovery of these investments. The DA program under the RIP is also designed to deploy the DA infrastructure with the objective of improving reliability performance indices by modernizing the distribution system with this infrastructure.
- (k) See RCR-E-10, Attachment 1 for annual DA spending associated with the RIP from 2011 through 2017.
- (l) See RCR-E-10, Attachment 2 for the annual forecasted spending associated with DA under the RIP for the years 2018 through 2022.

Witness: Bryan L. Clark

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Question No: RCR-E-11

With reference to Table 6 of Mr. Clark's Direct Testimony on page 9:

m. Please describe the distinction between the Company's proposed Infrastructure Renewal subprogram and the Company's current Load Growth program under the current Reliability Improvement Plan. Please provide all supporting documentation and analyses.

n. Please provide the annual Load Growth program spending associated with the Company's Reliability Improvement Plan for the years 2011 through 2017; and

o. Please provide the annual forecasted spending associated with the Load Growth program under the Company's Reliability Improvement Plan for the years 2018 through 2022.

RESPONSE:

- (m) ACE's proposed Infrastructure Renewal subprogram and the Capacity Expansion program under the Reliability Improvement Plan (RIP) do not contain related work. Infrastructure Renewal includes an array of projects to upgrade, replace or repair system infrastructure based on an assessment of its material condition. Spending will focus on the replacement or repair of infrastructure at or near substations—such as switchgear and transformers—or in some cases, retiring the substation itself. This filing will allow for timely recovery of these investments. The Capacity Expansion program under the RIP replaces infrastructure at or near substation with the objective of meeting the capacity demands of feeders or substations.
- (n) *See* RCR-E-11, Attachment 1 for annual Capacity Expansion spending associated with the RIP from 2011 through 2017.
- (o) *See* RCR-E-11, Attachment 2 for the annual forecasted spending associated with Capacity Expansion under the RIP for the years 2018 through 2022.

Witness: Bryan L. Clark

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07/11/18

Question No: RCR-E-24 (Confidential)

Reference the Appendix to the Direct Testimony of Bryan L. Clark, page 12, and the response to RCR-E-19, Attachment 1 Confidential, project CMP 138 Pleasantville- Upgrade Fuel Island:  
[begin confidential]

[end confidential]

RESPONSE:

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07/11/18

Question No: RCR-E-26 (Confidential)

Reference the Appendix to the Direct Testimony of Bryan L. Clark, page 12, and the response to RCR-E-19, Attachment 1 Confidential, project CMP 191 Bridgeton Fuel Island Replacement:  
[begin confidential]

[end confidential]

RESPONSE:

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Response to DRC Data Requests – Set 2

7/10/18

Question No: RCR-E-111

Please update RCR-E-3 to include the Company's 2017 Annual System Performance report.

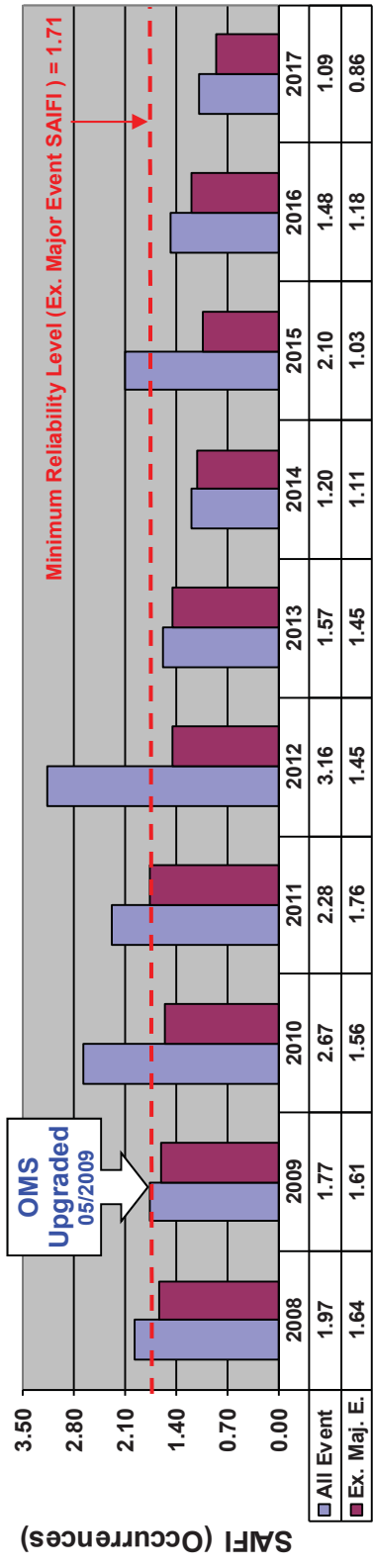
**RESPONSE:**

*See* RCR-E-111, Attachment 1, provided in electronic format only, for a copy of the Company's 2017 Annual System Performance Report.

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## Major Reliability Indices (All Event and Major Event Exclusive)

System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) 2008 - 2017



Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) 2008 - 2017

