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- 1-1) On Exhibit B, provide the Market Purchases (%) and the Generation (%) to three decimal places.

The revised file with the decimal changes is attached.

- 1-2) Explain the variances in the historical data for Avoided Generation costs reported in EL12-024 and EL14-027 for the years 2008-2012.

The calculation in the EL12-024 file used the Gross MWH Production to calculate the Fuel Cost per Gross MWH of Production for the Neal #4 plant. The calculation in the EL14-027 file uses Net MWH Production to determine the Fuel Cost per MWH of Production for the Neal #4 plant. It was determined that using the Net number more closely resembles the actual cost per MWH of power delivered into the NWE system.

The impact of this change on the proposed rates in this filing is an ATC rate of \$29.79 per MWH instead of \$29.76, an On-Peak rate of \$33.41 instead of \$33.39 and an Off-peak rate of \$22.53 instead of \$22.48. Based on the rounding to 4 decimal points in the tariff for the kwh cost, there would be zero impact to customers based on this change for this year's filing.