



# 2006 EDR Update

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- First draft of rate Handbook and spreadsheets on the Board's website
- Plan for meeting:
  - Present each chapter of the Handbook
  - Answer questions
  - Get feedback: Have we forgotten anything?

# Upcoming events

- January 17: Hearing at Board's offices
- Approx. February 11: Argument, reply about two weeks later
- Approx. early to mid-April: Decision
- May and June: Demos of the Handbook and the model

# Hearing

- Topics:
  - Appropriate interest rate for WIP & deferral accounts
  - PILs pass-through v. true up
  - Disposition of tax savings on disallowed expenses
  - Comparators and cohorts
  - Unmetered scattered load
  - Rate mitigation and implementation
  - Conservation and demand management

# Hearing

- Evidence has been filed on the first six topics
- C&DM evidence due December 20
- Reply evidence in January
- Set hearing schedule early January

*Please contact me in first week of January if you are calling a witness (initial evidence or reply)*

# Argument

- 1. You can argue about anything in the Handbook
  - Not just hearing issues
  - Not just issues where the Handbook lists alternatives
  - Also consider 2006 EDR main model spreadsheets: too much detail? Too little?

# Argument

- 2. Don't wait, start now.
  - February 11 will come soon (Board will set actual date in January)
  - Can start on issues that are not going to hearing
  - For hearing issues, you can attend in person, or transcripts will be posted on the website
  - Last day of hearing, Board staff will try to give list of issues arising out of hearing

# Argument

- 3. Content
  - Put your arguments forward in your main argument, don't wait to do it in reply
    - Otherwise not fair
    - Have only two weeks to read and draft
  - Save reply for responding to arguments you didn't expect
  - If you think you will be filing reply, prepare a strategy for reading and drafting



# Argument

- 4. Form
  - Organize your argument by chapter and paragraph of the Handbook
    - Board needs to consider issue by issue
    - Reading and replying to arguments impossible otherwise
  - Possible order:
    - General remarks, summary
    - Make points by chapter and paragraph, including proposed language if you disagree with Handbook language
    - Comments on model

# Decision

- Decision will consist of three parts:
  - Board findings
  - Revised Handbook
  - Revised spreadsheets

# Road Show

- Board Staff plan to present the Handbook and do a demo of the model at various locations in the province
- Likely May and June
- Utility personnel who worked on the Handbook are also good sources of information and help
- So you can file your application!

# Draft Handbook

- 1. Contentious areas - Placeholders
  - Conservation and demand management
  - Comparators and cohorts
  - Mitigation
- 2. Revision?
  - If yes, will be very explicit
- 3. Model
  - Still under development