Determining Direct Benefits

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Parameters of Presentation

Set by Board letter dated Feb 5, 2010

Precludes legal/jurisdictional issues

System Investments & Evidence

- Framework must address 2 situations:
 - Proactive system investments
 - Reactive system investments

- Situation impacts evidence and recovery
 - Proactive <u>promotes</u> using forecasts and "forecast year" funds
 - Reactive <u>remediates</u> using records and "after the fact" funds

Disposition Questions

- Recovery Question (Traditional)
 - Benefit to Cons & Gens outweighs Cost
 - No "readily quantified in monetary terms" rule

- Cost Allocation Question (New)
 - Questionable to "quantify" the qualitative
 - Judgment of Panel an invaluable tool
 - No "monetary terms" rule needed

Transmission and Market Charges

- NOT re: lower Tx and WMS costs
- "Benefit" in variance account balances?
 - No causality: E.I. and take-up
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- EDDVAR Report for balance disposition
- Reject: "Provincial ratepayers should share in that benefit": A = B -C + D (D=Direct Benefits)

DB: Accrue to LDC's Consumers

- Benefits
 - "FIT-ing" Forum
 - Quest for Evidence
 - Battle of the Ratepayers
- "Benefit" of preserving status quo service?
- "Benefit" of unwanted benefits?
- "Benefit" is never benefit to Gx or to Consumers outside LDC territory

DB: Eligible Investment

- Promoting E.I. follows golden rule of voting
 - Early and often: Approval
 - Early and often: Recovery

- Who are "prescribed consumers" and when do they become "prescribed"?
 - Early and ongoing: Ideal
 - Early and often: Acceptable

Suggested Next Steps

Reconsider legal/jurisdictional issues

- Build into and align with GEA DSP / GEP
 - Include option to present/revise in IRM
 - Keep it simple, straightforward

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