

Ratemaking for Investor-Owned Utilities

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Revenue Requirements:

Investor-Owned Utilities (I.C. 8-1-2-4)

- Operation and Maintenance Expense
- Depreciation
- Taxes Other Than Income
- Income Taxes
- Net Operating Income (NOI)*

*NOI or Return on Investment = Rate Base times Weighted Cost of Capital



Rate Base



Typical Components of Rate Base Include:

- Utility Plant in Service
- Less: Accumulated Depreciation
- Add: Materials and Supplies
- Add: Working Capital

Rate Base (continued)



Other Rate Base Components May Include:

- Contributions In Aid of Construction
- Customer Advances for Construction
- Regulatory Assets
- Deferred Income Taxes

Capital Structure



Typical Components of Capital Structure Include:

- Long-Term Debt
- Common Equity
- Preferred Stock
- Deferred Income Taxes
- Customer Deposits

Balance Sheet:



XYZ Utility, Inc.
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2006

Utility Plant in Service
Less: Accumulated Depreciation
Total Assets

\$25,000	Debt	\$10,000
(5,000)	Equity	10,000
\$20,000	Total Debt & Equity	\$20,000

Weighted Cost of Capital



Capital Structure:

		% of		Weighted
	<u>Amount</u>	Capital	Cost Rate	Cost
Debt	\$10,000	50%	8%	4%
Equity	<u>10,000</u>	<u>50%</u>	12%	<u>6%</u>
Weighted Cost of	Capital \$20,000	100%		10%

Rate Base times Weighted Cost of Capital:



Rate Base Calculation:

Utility Plant in Service	\$ 25,000
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>5,000</u>
Rate Base	\$ 20,000
Times: Weighted Cost of Capital	<u>10%</u>
Net Operating Income	\$ 2,000

 Debt
 \$10,000
 Equity
 \$10,000

 Interest Rate
 8.0%
 Cost of Equity
 12.0%

 Interest Expense
 \$800
 SH Return
 \$1,200

Vectren South Electric Case:



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As of 10/31/06	(000's)
Utility Plant in Service	\$1,783,735
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>812,809</u>
Net Utility Plant in Service	970,926
Add: Materials and Supplies	42,987
DSM Regulatory Asset	29,156
Other Regulatory Assets	<u>650</u>
Total Rate Base	\$1,043,719

Vectren South Electric Case:

Agreed to Capital Structure



As of March 31, 2006:

	% of		Weighted
	Capital	Cost Rate	Cost
Common Equity	47.05%	10.40%	4.89%
Long Term Debt	38.65%	6.04%	2.34%
Customer Deposits	0.48%	5.39%	0.03%
Deferred Income Taxes	13.06%	0.00%	0.00%
Post 1970 JDITC	0.76%	8.43%	<u>0.06%</u>
Total	100.00%		7.32%_
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Operation and Maintenance Expenses



- Allowable expenses are those costs considered reasonable and necessary to provide the service.
- Expenses incurred by the utility that are not considered reasonable or necessary are excluded from the revenue requirement and absorbed by the utility.
- Disallowed expenses are sometimes referred to as "below-the-line" expenses.

Determination of Allowable Expenses



- ➤ A historical "test year" is established as a starting point.
- The test year data is adjusted for "fixed, known and measurable" changes to calculate expenses that are considered to be representative of the conditions during which the rates are to be in effect.
- These changes are typically referred to as "proforma adjustments."

Pro form Net Operating Income Statement



XYZ Utility, Inc.
Cause No. 43500
Pro forma Net Operating Income Statement

	Test Year		Pro forma		Pro forma
<u>Description</u>	<u>12/31/06</u>	Adjs.	<u>Present</u>	<u>Adjs</u> .	Proposed
Operating Revenues:					
Sales	\$ 4,840	\$160	\$5,000		
Penalties		<u></u>			
Total Operating Rev.	4,840	<u>160</u>	5,000		
Operating Expenses:					
Salaries	1,955	\$200	2,155		
Depreciation	625		625		
Taxes	993	(7)	<u>986</u>		
Total Operating Exp	3,573	193	3,766		
Net Operating Income	\$1,267	\$ (33)	\$1,234		
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Revenues



- Once the pro forma present rate revenues and expenses have been determined, the resulting net operating income is compared to the previously calculated net operating income.
- Revenues are then increased or decreased so that the required or previously calculated net operating income will result.

Pro form Net Operating Income Statement (Continued)

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Operating Expenses:					
Salaries	1,955	200	2,155		2,155
Depreciation	625		625		625
Taxes	993	(7)	986	<u>234</u>	1,220
Total Operating Exp.	3,573	193	3,766	<u>234</u>	<u>4,000</u>
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