

1    Q.    Please provide the justification and / or rationale for phasing out the blocked  
2           energy rate referred to in PUB 136 NLH over three years rather than  
3           immediately (or some other length of time).

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6    A.    The justification for phasing out the blocked rate over three years is to  
7           mitigate adverse customer impacts. By doing it over a three-year period  
8           most of the customer impacts due to the structure change area are below  
9           20% annually.