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- Q. Please provide a detailed breakdown of the cost increases in each line item that results in the average increase in current customer rates of approximately 5.3% as applied for in the Application together with the percentage attributable to each item.

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A. Table 1 shows a breakdown of the proposed rate change in the Amended Application by line item.

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Table 1 Components of 2008 Proposed Rate Change (\$000s)

	Existing					
	Excluding Elasticity	Elasticity Effects ¹	Including Elasticity	Changes	Proposed	Rate Change (%)
Return on Rate Base ²	54,215	122	54,337	13,629	67,966	2.7
Other Costs Power Supply Costs ³						
Purchased Power	336,819	(1,646)	335,173	-	335,173	-
Amortize Reserves/Repl. Energy	-	-	-	1,986	1,986	0.4
Operating Costs ⁴	48,533	-	48,533	(833)	47,700	(0.2)
Pension & Early Retirement Costs ⁴	3,348	-	3,348	-	3,348	-
Amortize Depreciation Deferral ⁵	-	-	-	3,862	3,862	0.8
Depreciation ⁵	41,002	-	41,002	(794)	40,208	(0.2)
Income Taxes ⁶	13,841	64	13,905	5,663	19,568	1.1
	443,543	(1,582)	441,961	9,884	451,845	
Total Costs and Return	497,758	(1,460)	496,298	23,513	519,811	
Adjustments Other Revenue ⁷ Non-regulated Expenses ⁷ Other Adjustments ⁸	(11,083) (983)	- - -	(11,083) (983)	(1,039) - 92	(12,122) (983) 92	(0.2)
2008 Revenue Amortize Revenue Deferrals ⁹	485,692	(1,460)	484,232	22,566 (8,572)	506,798 (8,572)	(1.7)
2008 Revenue from Rates ¹	485,692	(1,460)	484,232	13,994	498,226	
RSA ¹	8,151	(27)	8,124	-	8,124	-
MTA^1	12,214	(36)	12,178	346	12,524	0.1
Billed to Customers ¹	506,057	(1,523)	504,534	14,340	518,874	2.8

Requests for Information

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See <> Exhibit 11 (1st Revision) of the Amended Application.
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           See <> Exhibit 10 (1<sup>st</sup> Revision) of the Amended Application.
           See <> page 23, Table 16 of the Amended Application.
           See <> page 23, Table 17 of the Amended Application.
           See <> page 24, Table 18 of the Amended Application.
           See <> page 24, Table 19 of the Amended Application.
           See <> page 26, Table 21 of the Amended Application.
           Represents interest expense on customer security deposits and amortization of capital stock issue expenses.
           Currently, these amounts are included in revenue requirement through their inclusion in the Z factor component
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           of the rate of return on rate base and the resulting return on rate base. (See Volume 1, Tab 3, Section 3.3.3,
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           pages 60 and 61 of the Application). Under the asset rate base method, these amounts are excluded from the
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           return on rate base and included directly in revenue requirement.
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           See <> page 26, Table 22 of the Amended Application.
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