



Rochelle Municipal Utilities
Utilities Business Management
and Energy Production

Memo

To: Dave Plyman
From: Dan Westin
Date: April 18th 2015
Re: Transmission Control Center additional services

Recommended Action:

Consider approving amended agreement with Gridforce (GEM) providing additional services for Transmission system breaker release. See enclosed agreement exhibit.

Please place on Council agenda for April 25th 2016.

History and Facts:

Since August 2015 Gridforce has provided the required 24/7 Transmission System supervision as RMU's agent towards PJM. This being a requirement of RMU to operate as a fully integrated PJM Transmission Owner. And a requirement for the related Transmission Tariff Revenue Rate of \$ 1,244,000 per year.

Discussion:

This spring the operations of the generation control center at 9th street will move to day time only operation. This will reduce operational costs and focus resources on peak day generation and preventative maintenance activities. PJM has a requirement for Transmission Owners to shed load in the region at critical events (very low frequency though response time is short – 5 minutes). This function at off hours now needs to be handled by Gridforce. The monthly charge for these services and the base services will be \$ 25,000.

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