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CONSULTING ECONOMISTS

5565 Sterrett Place Suite 310 Columbia, Maryland 21044 (410) 992-7500 (410) 992-3445 FAX topcat@exeterassociates.com Thomas S. Catlin Steven L. Estomin Dwight D. Etheridge Jerome D. Mierzwa Kevin L. Porter Dale E. Swan

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September 18, 2009

Mr. Frank Whittaker Department of Administration Purchasing Division 2019 Washington Street, East P. O. Box 50130 Charleston, WV 25305-0130

Dear Mr. Whittaker,

Enclosed is Exeter Associates, Inc.'s bid to provide consulting services to the Consumer Advocate Division of the West Virginia Public Service Commission in the Monongahela Power Company/Potomac Edison Company rate proceeding. Exeter Associates is exceptionally qualified to provide the services outlined in the Request for Quotation. Also attached, are resumés of the staff that will be assigned to this proceeding.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. We look forward to working with the Consumer Advocate Division on behalf of the ratepayers of West Virginia.

Very truly yours,

Thomas S. Catlin

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Enclosures

THOMAS S. CATLIN

Mr. Catlin is a principal and Vice-President of Exeter Associates, Inc. He is a senior utility rate analyst with a combination management and analytical background. His areas of specialization are revenue requirements and cost of service. Mr. Catlin is currently a member of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) Rates and Charges Subcommittee and the AWWA Water Utility Council's Technical Advisory Group on Economics.

Mr. Catlin has extensive experience in the review and analysis of the operations of public utilities. The emphasis of this work has been on utility rate regulation and has involved telephone, natural gas, electric and water companies. He is familiar with all aspects of utility ratemaking, the use of economic and engineering analytical techniques, rate base and operating income determination, income taxes, and utility accounting. Mr. Catlin has provided expert testimony before the Arizona, California, Colorado, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Virginia and West Virginia public utility commissions as well as before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. This testimony has addressed all aspects of utility regulation including revenue requirements, cost of service, and rate design. Mr. Catlin has also been responsible for conducting cost of service, rate, and financial studies involving municipal and investor-owned water, wastewater, and storm drainage utilities.

Education:

B.S. (Physics with minor in Math) - State University of New York at Stony Brook, 1974.
M.S. (Water Resources Engineering & Management) - Arizona State University, 1976.
Graduate courses in Accounting - Suffolk University, 1978-79.

Previous Employment:

1978-1981 Utility Rates Specialist, Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc.

1977-1978 Engineer, Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc.

1976-1977 Engineer, Arthur Beard Engineers, Inc.

Professional Work:

Mr. Catlin has participated in rate cases and other regulatory proceedings for telephone, natural gas, electric and water utilities. This work has included the review, analysis and presentation of expert testimony regarding all aspects of revenue requirements including rate base, revenues, expenses, and income taxes. Mr. Catlin has also been extensively involved in analyzing alternatively regulatory mechanisms and regulatory restructuring issues, including the determination of stranded costs. Mr. Catlin's work has also included conducting and testifying on marginal and embedded cost studies and rate design. In the natural gas area, Mr. Catlin has been involved in conducting management audits and similar reviews of the gas supply and procurement policies and practices of natural gas distribution companies, as well as the review of PGA filings at both the state and federal level. In the telecommunications area, Mr. Catlin has conducted and testified with regard to cost of service and rate design studies and analyses for a variety of both monopoly and competitive services. In addition to providing testimony and assisting in the litigation of rate cases, Mr. Catlin has also been involved in negotiating settlements of a number of cases.

At Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc., Mr. Catlin was a project manager for utility rates, financial, and economic studies. He performed studies on approximately 15 municipal and private water, wastewater and storm drainage utilities. His assignments involved: determining the total costs of service; developing capital asset and depreciation bases; preparing cost allocation studies; evaluating alternative rate structures and designing rates; bill analyses; cost and revenue projections; preparing rate filings; and expert testimony.

Prior to transferring to the Camp Dresser & McKee's management service group, Mr. Catlin was an environmental engineer with CDM. He was involved in both project administration and design. Project administration and control responsibilities included budget preparation, labor and cost monitoring and forecasting, and contract preparation.

t Arthur Beard Engineers, Inc., Mr. Catlin served as project coordinator for a major avironmental impact statement. He also served as project engineer for a county-wide water apply study and two utility valuation studies.	
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LAFAYETTE K. MORGAN, JR.

Mr. Morgan is a Senior Regulatory Analyst with Exeter Associates, Inc. At Exeter, Mr. Morgan has been involved in the analysis of the operations of public utilities with particular emphasis on rate regulation. He has reviewed and analyzed utility rate filings, focusing primarily on revenue requirements determination. This work included natural gas, water, electric, and telephone utilities.

Education and Qualifications:

B.B.A. (Accounting) - North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina, 1983

M.B.A. (Finance) - The George Washington University, Washington, District of Columbia, 1993

C.P.A. - Licensed in the State of North Carolina

Previous Employment:

1990 to 1993 - Senior Financial Analyst, Potomac Electric Power Company, Washington, D.C.

1984 to 1990 - Staff Accountant, North Carolina Utilities Commission Public Staff, Raleigh, N.C.

Previous Professional Experience:

As a Staff Accountant with the North Carolina Utilities Commission - Public Staff, Mr. Morgan was responsible for analyzing testimony, exhibits, and other data presented by parties before the Commission. In addition, he performed examinations of the books and records of utilities involved in rate proceedings and summarized the results into testimony and exhibits for presentation before the Commission. Mr. Morgan also participated in several policy proceedings involving regulated utilities.

As a Senior Financial Analyst with Potomac Electric Power Company, Mr. Morgan prepared cost of service, rate base, and ratemaking adjustments supporting the Company's request for revenue increases in its retail jurisdictions

REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS

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Consumer Advocate Division
Public Service Commission
PSC Case No. 09-1352-E-42T
Monongahela Power Company/Potomac Edison Company

The Consumer Advocate Division of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia ("CAD") is soliciting bids for the provision of consulting services in connection with the joint general rate case filing of Monongahela Power Company and Potomac Edison Company ("Mon Power/PE") at the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, PSC Case No. 09-1352-E-42T.

The Consumer Advocate Division has formally intervened on behalf of residential customers of the electric utility. Case filings can be reviewed at the Commission's web site at: http://www.psc.state.wv.us/. (Direct links to the filings are not available. Search by case number using the "case information" function of the site.)

Mon Power/PE together comprise is the second largest electric utility in West Virginia. The Company's filing indicates that it is seeking an increase in rates of approximately \$122.1 million or at least 14.1 percent for residential customers. Although Mon Power and PE are separate entities, their rates are unified.

We are seeking bids for the general rate case. The consultant will be expected to provide expert testimony on all revenue requirement issues, including rate base, revenues, expenses, service company billings, taxes, operating income, and all of the sub-areas which fall into these categories. The CAD anticipates that some accounting issues will be handled by the Consumer Advocate Division staff.

Attached to this RFQ is a bid form to be used in submitting your quotations. Each bidder needs to submit a list of employees and/or job titles for persons working on this case, their estimated hours and their hourly rates. The hourly rates need to be all-inclusive (i.e. there will be no separate reimbursement for expenses such as travel). The bid will be awarded based upon the estimated not to exceed total price. The consultant will only reimbursed up to the total number of hours estimated for each employee and/or job title.

The general rate case consultant must have at least 10 years experience testifying on revenue requirement issues involving regulated utilities. Consultants must be Certified Public Accountants or have advanced degrees in business, economics, finance or accounting. The consultants must be able to coordinate and incorporate recommendations from multiple witnesses testifying on behalf of the Consumer Advocate Division.

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Thomas Catlin, V	′.P.	30.0	\$ 190.00	\$ 5,700.00			
Lafayette Morga	n, Sr. Analyst	185.0	\$ 140.00	\$ 25,900.00			
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Bidder / Vendor	Information:						
Name:	Exeter Associates, Inc.						
Address:	5565 Sterrett Place, Suite 310			-			
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The Consultant will not be reimbursed for hours that exceed the total hours for each Employee/Title

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA **Purchasing Division**

PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT

VENDOR OWING A DEBT TO THE STATE:

West Virginia Code §5A-3-10a provides that: No contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS & DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT:

If this is a solicitation for a public improvement construction contract, the vendor, by its signature below, affirms that it has a written plan for a drug-free workplace policy in compliance with Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code. The vendor must make said affirmation with its bid submission. Further, public improvement construction contract may not be awarded to a vendor who does not have a written plan for a drug-free workplace policy in compliance with Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code and who has not submitted that plan to the appropriate contracting authority in timely fashion. For a vendor who is a subcontractor, compliance with Section 5, Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code may take place before their work on the public improvement is begun.

In submitting a bid to any agency for the state of West Virginia, the bidder offers and agrees that if the bid is accepted the bidder will convey, sell, assign or transfer to the state of West Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the state of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the state of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to the bidder.

I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership or person or entity submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies, equipment or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I further certify that I am authorized to sign the certification on behalf of the bidder or this bid.

Vendors must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, West Virginia Insurance Commission, or any other state agencies or political subdivision. Furthermore, the vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Director or spending unit to verify that the vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

The vendor agrees that he or she will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the agency's policies, procedures and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy/ noticeConfidentiality.pdf.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (West Virginia Code §61-5-3), it is hereby certified that the vendor affirms and acknowledges the information in this affidavit and is in compliance with the requirements as stated.

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Vendor's Name: Exeter Associates, I Authorized Signature: Purchasing Affidavit (Revised 01/01/09)	oc. Orthorpoological Date:	9/17/09
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