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**ATCO Electric Yukon (AEY)
2025 Terms & Conditions of Service**

**Information Responses Round 1 to:
The Yukon Utilities Board (YUB)
Received: March 24, 2025**

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Reference: AEY Industrial Rider R Deferral Application, PDF page 2.

Issue: Industrial Rider R Deferral

Quote: On July 18, 2022, ATCO Electric Yukon (AEY) filed an “AEY Rate Relief in the Yukon” Application in which AEY requested approval for a deferral account for Industrial Rider R revenue. In Board Order 2022-13, the Yukon Utilities Board (the Board) stated it was satisfied that AEY had made a case for a deferral account for Industrial Rider R revenue. The Board directed AEY to set up the deferral account from the date of the decision on a go-forward basis and to make an application to dispense with the balance once it accumulated to \$0.25 million. AEY complied with this direction and began tracking the Industrial Rider R deferral beginning November 7, 2022.

In AEY’s 2023-2024 GRA, AEY requested approval to continue with the previously approved Industrial Rider R deferral. Throughout the GRA process, AEY elaborated on the deferral mechanism. For example, in response to YUB-AEY-006, which asked how the Industrial Rider R Deferral will operate, AEY replied that the deferral could be a refund to or a collection from customers and that AEY would apply to the Board to refund/collect the balance once it accumulated to plus or minus \$0.25 million. In paragraph 424 in Appendix A to Board Order 2024-01, the Board stated that it “... agrees with the submissions of AEY regarding the Industrial Rider R deferral account and approves the continued use of this account as filed.” (footnotes removed)

Request:

- (a) For paragraph 1 of the above quote, please confirm that the industrial sales deferral account referred to in the above quote was for rate relief purposes and was a result of industrial sales that were not included in AEY’s previous GRA. If not confirmed, please explain.

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- (b) For paragraph 2 of the above quote, please confirm that the industrial sales deferral account referred to in the above quote was for all variances from GRA forecast industrial sales. If not confirmed, please explain.
- (c) If the response to part (a) is no, please explain why no stakeholder consultations took place.
- (d) Please confirm that the Industrial Rider R deferral application currently before this Board is the first time such an Industrial Sales deferral application has been brought to this Board under the changed format approved in Board Order 2024-01. If not confirmed, please explain.

Response:

- (a) Confirmed.
- (b) Confirmed.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Confirmed.



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Reference: AEY Industrial Rider R Deferral Application, PDF pages 2-3.

Issue: Industrial Sales Variance

Quote: AEY has determined that, largely due to the unexpected shutdown of an Industrial account, the Industrial Rider R Deferral balance has now exceeded a shortfall of greater than \$0.25 million. As directed, AEY is now applying to dispense with the balance using Rider R1, Temporary Rate Adjustment Rider. While Board Order 2022-13 stated that disbursements of the Industrial Rider R deferral balance may apply solely to residential and commercial nongovernment customers, in consideration that the deferral balance is now a shortfall to be collected from customers, AEY is of the view that the balance should be collected from all ATCO Electric Yukon and Yukon Energy Company Retail and Industrial customers.

AEY has determined that the Industrial Rider R Deferral balance is a shortfall of \$311,000 as of January 31, 2025, due to YEC's Industrial customers' revenue actuals being less than forecast at the time of AEY's 2023-2024 GRA. As a higher forecast industrial revenue was used to determine AEY's Final Rider R rate, AEY estimates that the deferral balance will continue to increase to a \$749,000 shortfall as of December 31, 2025.

Request:

- (a) Please confirm that when the Board approves a new revenue requirement for AEY in a GRA, AEY, via a Rider, collects that change in revenue requirement across all rate classes and across all Yukon electrical service customers, including industrial, general service, and residential rate classes.
- (b) Please confirm that the site of that industrial customer that unexpectedly shutdown became a general service customer of YEC. If not confirmed, please explain.

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- (c) Please confirm that AEY's rates and riders apply to the same site where a general service customer receives service at the former industrial site that unexpectedly shutdown. If not confirmed, please explain.
- (d) Did AEY offset the reduction in industrial sales by the increase in general service sales, for the site that the industrial customer unexpectedly shut down, in its calculation of the industrial Rider R deferral? Please explain.

Response:

- (a) Confirmed.
- (b) Not confirmed. There are uncertainties regarding the future load of the customer as well as the duration of the remediation at the mine. Therefore, the Industrial customer has remained on the Industrial rate with reduced load.
- (c) Confirmed.
- (d) Please refer to (b). AEY did not offset the reduction in industrial sales with an increase in general service sales for the site where the industrial customer shut down because the industrial customer that shut down did not become a General Service customer of YEC.