



DESAUTEL LAW

TO: EERMC
FROM: MARISA DESAUTEL, ESQ.
DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2021
RE: 2021 BUDGET INCREASE REQUEST

This memo discusses the EERMC's budget for services provided by Desautel Law for 2021. By email dated November 10, 2021, this office was notified that \$857.47 remains as a balance maintained by the EERMC for this office's service contract amount for 2021.

The budget overage is a direct result of the RIPUC proceedings for the Annual Energy Efficiency Plan. As a result of recent RIPUC proceedings, this office has expended previously unprecedented resources to address the issues raised by these proceedings. This includes preparing for and advising on a first of its kind contested case in the Efficiency Plan docket at the RIPUC. As a result of the foregoing, I anticipate this office expending an additional \$17,000 before the end of the year to represent the EERMC before the RIPUC in this docket.

Based on the above considerations, Desautel Law is formally requesting an increase in the 2021 budget of \$17,000, which would bring the contracted amount from \$29,400 to \$46,400. Should any of the requested additional funds not be used in fulfilling calendar 2021 activities, they would return to the EERMC.

Thank you for your anticipated consideration in this regard.