



DESAUTEL LAW

TO: EERMC
FROM: MARISA DESAUTEL, ESQ.
DATE: JANUARY 18, 2022
RE: 2021 BUDGET INCREASE REQUEST

This memo discusses the EERMC's budget for services provided by Desautel Law for 2021. By email dated January 14, 2022, this office was notified that with its December, 2021 invoice, this office is \$14,271.80 over budget for its service contract amount for 2021.

The budget overage continues to be as a direct result of the RIPUC proceedings for the Annual Energy Efficiency Plan. As a result of recent RIPUC Data Requests, and additional proceedings, this office has expended extraordinary 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, this overage of \$14,271.80, coupled with our firm's current \$46,400.00 limit, would bring the 2021 contract limit to \$60,671.80.

Based on the above considerations, Desautel Law is formally requesting an increase in the 2021 budget of \$14,271.80, which would bring the contracted amount from \$46,400.00 to \$60,671.80 and covers all services and expenses associated with 2021 activity.

Thank you for your anticipated consideration in this regard.