



DESAUTEL LAW

TO: EERMC
FROM: MARISA DESAUTEL, ESQ.
DATE: JANUARY 22, 2021
RE: 2020 BUDGET INCREASE REQUEST

This memo discusses the EERMC's contracted budget for services provided by Desautel Law for 2020. By email dated January 14, 2021, this office was notified that \$2,484.27 remains as a balance maintained by the EERMC for this office's service contract amount for 2020.

The budget overage is a direct result of the RIPUC proceedings for the 2021-2023 Energy Efficiency Program Plan (Three-Year Plan) & 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program Plan (Annual Plan). As a result of December RIPUC proceedings, this office attended additional days of virtual hearings and open meetings that were not anticipated. These additional days were set by the RIPUC and required Attorney Desautel's attendance and preparation.

In the course of docket 5076, the RIPUC made a data request of the EERMC, which this office assisted with. Also, this office worked on several follow-up items that resulted from the PIM considerations during the hearings. Lastly, the RIPUC open meeting to deliberate on docket 5076 lasted far longer than in years past. The additional amount associated with these tasks was an increase of \$4,198.23 from what this office previously requested as its budget for 2020.

Thank you for your anticipated consideration in this regard.