Greetings,

I would like to offer feedback and updated information based on the review by some of our members of the information regarding utility responses related to disconnects, which the PUC posted on April 14, 2020 under document number 20-375 and document ID 20204-162006-02. A few cooperatives have blanks in some of the columns, which should be corrected to better reflect the intentions of their voluntary filings.

Meeker Cooperative Light and Power Cooperative (See document ID 20204-161825-01) has confirmed the intention of their filing included voluntarily suspending disconnects and reconnecting, so the summary spreadsheet would be more accurate if it included “Yes” instead of blanks in columns B and C for Meeker.

Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative (See document ID 20204-161833-01) has confirmed they would reconnect members, but because they hadn’t disconnected any don’t have members to reconnect. The summary spreadsheet would be more accurate if it included “Yes” instead of blanks in columns B and C for Todd-Wadena.

Traverse Electric Cooperative (See document ID 20204-161808-01) has confirmed they have not disconnected anybody since prior to the onset of the pandemic, have not disconnected any occupied properties since the onset of the cold weather rule, and are contacting any members with payment concerns to discuss them and arrange for continued service and a payment plan. The summary spreadsheet would be more accurate for Traverse if it included a “Yes” in columns B and C and in Column F included a note that indicates “Not disconnecting if customer sets up a reasonable payment plan.”
I hope this helps clarify the intention of these filing. We hope it is possible to update the summary spreadsheet, and you are welcome to post this e-mail as a clarification to 20-375 if desired or let us know if we can help further with this. Feel free to contact Joyce Peppin or me.

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