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Allocators

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## **Functional and Classification Allocators**

E - External Allocation Factors - based on direct knowledge from data in the utility's accounting and other records

I - Internal Allocation Factors - based on some combination of external allocation factors, previously directly assigned costs and other internal allocation factors.

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Allocator Name	Description	
Functional Allocators		
DIST	100% Functionalized to Distribution and is considered to be directly related to the Distribution System (E)	
ONSITE	100% Functionalized to Onsite, which refers to the costs associated with a customer on the system (onsite includes a portion of service lines, meters and regulators installed on-site at the customer's premises) (E)	
Classification Allocators		
CUST	based on costs that vary with specific customer requirements, the number of customers, or both (such as meters and service lines) - (100% classified to Customer) (E)	
DEMAND	based on costs associated with design day demand (100% classified to Demand) (E)	
MAINS	assumes 39% classification to Customer (to meet the minimum system requirements) and 61% classification to Demand (to meet peak demand needs) – applied to steel mains (E)	
MAINS-PL	assumes 64% classification to Customer (to meet the minimum system requirements) and 36% classification to Demand (to meet peak demand needs) – applied to plastic mains (E)	

## **Class Allocators**

Demand Allocators		
MainsDemand	based on the Calculated peak design day - No amount allocated to Small General (E)	
MainsDemand-PL	based on the Calculated peak design day - No amount allocated to Small General or ICG (E)	
Peak	calculated peak design day (the 24-hour period where there is the maximum amount of system demand). Based on forecasted consumption with adjustments for forecasted weather (degree days) (E)	
Delivery_Rev	percentages are established based on the breakdown of forecasted distribution revenue by rate class (E)	
Customer Allocators		
Billing	calculated using average number of customers with a weighting to account for differences in assumed billing costs between classes. Allocations based on interviews with billing, professional judgment and advice from Black & Veatch (E)	
Bills_All	calculated by multiplying the average number of customers in the class by 12 (assumed number of billsper customer per year) (E)	
Delivery_Rev	percentages are established based on the breakdown of forecasted distribution revenue by rate class (E)	
Incentives	based on incentive expenditures per rate class (E)	

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MainsCustomer	the average number of total customers in each rate class for 2020 (E)
MainsCustomer-PL	the average number of total customers in each rate class for 2020 – no allocation to ICG (E)
Meter_Invest	the average cost per meter, multiplied by the average number of customers in each rate class (E)
MetersRead	expenses are calculated using average number of customers and incorporating a weighting, using Black & Veatch assumptions based on prior client studies/experience, to account for differences in assumed costs between classes. The weightings account for staff time and capital (E)
Service_Invest	the average cost per service multiplied by the average number of customers in each rate class (E)
Write-offs	based on the percentage of bad debt expense calculated for each rate class (E)

## **Internal Allocators**

 $In termal\ allocators\ are\ used\ for\ all\ three\ stages\ of\ the\ cost\ of\ service\ study; for\ functionalization, classification,\ and\ class\ allocation.$ 

Internal Allocators		
DIST_PT	based on total Distribution Plant (I)	
DISTOnlyPT	based only Distribution Plant Accounts 473 – 478 – used to allocate Land & Land Rights and Other Distribution Expenses and Development.	
LABOR	total labour amount, based on a review of total O&M labour costs in each cost centre (I)	
O&MXGAS	total operating expenses (less any gas related O&M i.e. gas nomination services) (I)	
PLANT	total amount of Plant in Service (I)	
MAIN&SERVICE	based on the mains and services portion of Distribution Plant and contains a Demand and Customer component (I)	
RevReq	based on the revenue requirement (I)	
RateBase	total amount of Rate Base (I)	
RevReqxGas	total revenue requirement less any gas related expenses(I)	

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