



Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: August 18, 2025
Re: Amending the FY 2025 Annual Budget by appropriating funds to pay the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) for an overpayment to the Electric Utility.

Executive Summary

Staff is recommending an ordinance authorizing an amendment to the FY 2025 budget for the Electric Utility to refund an overpayment from the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) to the City in the amount of \$4,951,828.54.

Discussion

The Electric Utility was overpaid by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), it is necessary to refund this overpayment. MISO is the City's Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) that manages the electric grid and wholesale energy markets for the Columbia Water and Light Department (CWLD). CWLD is the City's node or specific point on the electric grid where the Electric Utility receives energy or power. As part of the normal energy market operations, CWLD previously received these funds from MISO, they were in excess of what the CWLD should have received. This ordinance will appropriate \$4,951,828.54 from retained earnings (cash reserves) to the Electric Purchase Power account to pay MISO.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: One time \$4,951,828.54 expense.
Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)
Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable
[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)
Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action

Approval of the ordinance.