

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's) REGULATORY DIVISION
Application for Approval of Unreflected Gas)
Cost Account Balance and Projected Gas Cost,) DOCKET NO. D2013.5.34
and Gas Transportation Adjustment Clause)
Balance)

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**DATA REQUESTS OF MONTANA CONSUMER COUNSEL
TO NORTHWESTERN ENERGY**

MCC-022 Regarding: NorthWestern Energy (NWE) Exhibits
Witness: All

Please provide on compact disk electronic working copies, with all links intact, of all exhibits (including related workpapers, where applicable), that are being sponsored by each NWE witness in this case.

MCC-023 Regarding: Appendix A and Appendix B
Witness: Not Applicable

Please provide on compact disk electronic working copies, with all links intact, of Appendix A and Appendix B to NWE's May 29, 2014, Application in this case.

MCC-024 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

Please provide the detailed calculations and supporting workpapers used to produce the Dkt quantities and \$000 amounts shown in Exhibit JMS-1, at lines 26 and 46.

MCC-025 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, line 48, please provide the total cost of service, in dollars, and the total Dkt quantity of Battle Creek gas production, used to produce the \$/Dkt figure for the Battle Creek revenue requirement.

MCC-026 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, line 51, please provide the total cost of service, in dollars, and the total Dkt quantity of Bear Paw gas production, used to produce the \$/Dkt figure for the Bear Paw revenue requirement.

MCC-027 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, line 54, please provide the total cost of service, in dollars, and the total Dkt quantity of Devon gas production, used to produce the \$/Dkt figure for the Devon revenue requirement.

MCC-028 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, please provide the Dkt quantity of Battle Creek gas production, the Battle Creek production-related taxes, in dollars, and the Battle Creek royalties, in dollars, used to produce the NW Owned Production Dkt quantity and dollar amounts shown at line 24.

MCC-029 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, please provide the Dkt quantity of Bear Paw gas production, the Bear Paw production-related taxes, in dollars, and the Bear Paw royalties, in dollars, used to produce the NW Owned Production Dkt quantity and dollar amounts shown at line 24.

MCC-030 Regarding: NWE Owned Production
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, please provide the Dkt quantity of Devon gas production, the Devon production-related taxes, in dollars, and the Devon royalties, in dollars, used to produce the NW Owned Production Dkt quantity and dollar amounts shown at line 24.

MCC-031 Regarding: Intra Montana Purchases
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, line 26, please provide the total Dkt, \$/Dkt, and total dollars associated with NWE's gas purchases from Battle Creek 3rd-party producers.

MCC-032 Regarding: Intra Montana Purchases
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, line 26, please provide the total Dkt, \$/Dkt, and total dollars associated with NWE's gas purchases from Bear Paw 3rd-party producers.

MCC-033 Regarding: Intra Montana Purchases
Witness: John Smith

With respect to Exhibit JMS-2, line 26, please provide the total Dkt, \$/Dkt, and total dollars associated with NWE's gas purchases from Devon 3rd-party producers.

MCC-034 Regarding: Gas Supply Market Prices
Witness: John Smith

Please provide the gas supply market price forecast that was used to develop the gas supply costs presented in Exhibit JMS-2.

MCC-035 Regarding: DSM Expenses
Witness: William Thomas

In the testimony at WMT-5, lines 1-20, Mr. Thomas states that the expenses associated with the “E+ Free Weatherization Program, the E+ Energy Audit for The Home, and the Building Operator Certification Program,” that are funded through USB are not included in the Natural Gas Supply Tracker. Please provide separately for each such category of expense the amounts of such expenses for each “Program Period” listed in the table at WMT-4.

MCC-036 Regarding: DSM Expenses
Witness: William Thomas

At WMT-7, lines 1-8, Mr. Thomas discusses the total DSM cost for the 2013-2014 tracker period of \$1,392,484, and states that “This amount does not include NorthWestern labor.” Please provide the actual or estimated additional cost of NWE labor that is applicable to NWE’s 2013-2014 Natural Gas DSM Program.

MCC-037 Regarding: Lost DSM Non-Gas Revenues
Witness: William Thomas

With respect to Table 1 at page WMT-5, for each “Program Period” shown there, please provide a listing of the following:

- a. NWE’s original estimate of lost annual non-gas revenues associated with the “Target (Dkt)” shown there.
- b. The actual lost annual non-gas revenues associated with the “Reported Savings (Dkt)” shown there.

MCC-038 Regarding: DSM Gas Cost Savings
Witness: William Thomas

With respect to Table 1 at page WMT-4, for each “Program Period” shown there, please provide a listing of the following:

- a. NWE’s original estimate of the annual gas cost savings to be realized from the “Target (Dkt)” DSM savings shown there.
- b. NWE’s estimate of the actual annual gas cost savings to be realized from the “Reported (DSM) Savings (Dkt)” shown there.

MCC-039 Regarding: DSM Gas Cost Savings
Witness: William Thomas

Please provide NWE’s actual average commodity cost of purchased gas, in \$/Dkt, that the Company saved per Dkt of reported DSM savings, for each “Program Period” shown in the table at WMT-4.

MCC-040 Regarding: Lost DSM Revenues
Witness: William Thomas

Please provide NWE’s actual DSM lost revenues collected from residential ratepayers in each “Program Period” shown in the table at WMT-4.

MCC-041 Regarding: Lost DSM Revenues
Witness: William Thomas

Please provide NWE’s actual DSM lost revenues collected from commercial ratepayers in each “Program Period” shown in the table at WMT-4.

MCC-042 Regarding: Request for accounting treatment
Witness: Most appropriate witness

Please describe all instances where MPC/NWE has used the accounting provision from Order 5667a related to certain expansions including:

- a) Description of the assets and associated capital costs.

- b) The type(s) (interruptible/firm) and annual amount(s) of each type of revenue generated by the assets prior to being placed into rate base.
- c) The docket(s) through which the assets were placed into rate base and recovery through the GTAC mechanism ceased.

MCC-043 Regarding: Request for accounting treatment
 Witness: Most appropriate witness

Please indicate the specific dates of any and all prior filings by MPC and/or NWE requesting extension of the accounting provision related to certain expansions from Order 5667a and whether each of those requests was granted or denied.