

September 14, 2016

Mr. Will Rosquist
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Re: Docket No. D2016.5.39
QF-1 Avoided Cost Rate Filing
Vote Solar Set 1 Data Requests (001-012)
Updated response to VS-002

Dear Mr. Rosquist:

Enclosed for filing is a copy of NorthWestern Energy's updated response to Data Request VS-002 in the Vote Solar Set 1 Data Requests in Docket No. D2016.5.39. It has been hand delivered to the Montana Public Service Commission and the Montana Consumer Counsel this date. It has also been e-filed on the PSC website, emailed to counsel of record, and sent via First Class Mail to the remainder of the service list.

Should you have questions please contact Joe Schwartzenberger at (406) 497-3362.

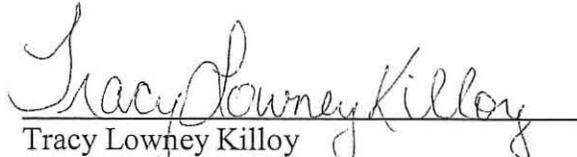
Sincerely,

Tracy Lowney Killoy
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of NorthWestern Energy's updated response to Data Request VS-002 in the Vote Solar Set 1 Data Requests in Docket No. D2016.5.39, the QF-1 Avoided Cost Rate Filing, has been hand-delivered to the Montana Public Service Commission and the Montana Consumer Counsel this date. It has also been e-filed on the Commission website, emailed to counsel of record, and sent via First Class Mail to the attached service list.

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Vote Solar/Montana Environmental Information Center
Set 1 (001-012)

Data Requests received July 14, 2016

VS-002 Subject: 2015 Electricity Supply Resource Procurement Plan Workpapers

Please provide all workpapers for NWE's *2015 Electricity Supply Resource Procurement Plan* (Plan), including in particular the forecasts for natural gas and electric power prices used in the Plan, as referenced by Mr. Hines' testimony at page JDH-8.

RESPONSE:

See the "VS-002" folder on the CD attached to Data Request VS-001.

UPDATED RESPONSE (September 14, 2016):

NorthWestern has determined that an update is in order to add several files and replace two others. For ease of use, the "Updated VS-002" folder on the attached CD replaces the "VS-002" folder on the original CD in its entirety.

Files that have been added are the resource definitions for the Internal Combustion Engine, Frame CT, and CCCT that were used in the 2015 Plan analysis.

Files that have been replaced are the Basin Creek and DGGGS resource definition files since these files are the ones that were used in the 2015 Plan analysis.

All other files remain the same as originally provided.