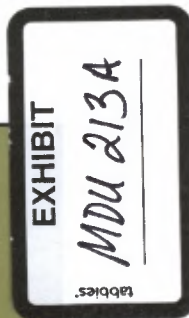




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Summary
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Overview

- MDU updated its resource planning analyses
- Conclusion: MDU would own up to 133 MW of a 500 MW Big Stone II plant in 2013

Responses to NDPSC Staff/Deason

- No adjustment to natural gas price forecast for impacts of future carbon regulation
- MDU witness James Heidell provides additional information to address Mr. Deason's questions
- MDU continues to agree with the five conditions for Commission approval recommended by Mr. Deason.

Responses to DRC/Schlissel

- Big Stone II is cost-effective for MDU, even with prospect of carbon regulation
- Big Stone II is MDU's stepping stone into the carbon-constrained future

Responses to DRC/Schlissel (continued)

- MDU's analysis uses reasonable assumptions
- Big Stone II is a prudent supply source for MDU's customers