

BLACK HILLS POWER, INC.
SD PUC DOCKET: EL 15-044
ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM, TARIFFS, COST RECOVERY MECHANISM

REQUEST DATE : November 25, 2015

RESPONSE DATE : December 3, 2015

REQUESTING PARTY: SDPUC Staff

SDPUC Request No. 1-18:

Please explain why “Early Retirement Heat Pump SEER 15,” “CAC SEER 15” and “Ductless Mini-Split AC SEER \geq 19” were added to the Residential Program for 2015-16 when those measures are forecasted to have TRC test results less than 1.0.

Response to SDPUC Request No. 1-18:

Black Hills Power aimed to have the entire portfolio have a TRC of 1.0 or greater, which the planned portfolio achieves. The majority of the planned individual programs also have a projected TRC of greater than 1.0. Specific measures with TRCs with less than 1.0 were included in specific programs for a variety of reasons including program continuity, to avoid customer confusion (by adding and removing measure annually based on measure-level TRC), trade ally consistency (trade allies can become disenfranchised by the adding and removal of measures annually based on measure-level TRC), and simplification of implementation.

Attachments: None