

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.  
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
DATA REQUEST  
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- 1-3. If not already provided in the response to 1-2 above, assuming MDU still uses the same capacity expansion modeling for integrated resource planning as described in responses to Staff's data requests in previous avoided cost filings, explain what the Company reflected from the capacity expansion modeling in the PLEXOS model for the July 2016 through June 2017 test year.**

**Response:**

MDU still uses EGEAS as a capacity expansion modeling software. Future capacity resources must be added to the PLEXOS model. MDU adds future capacity resources to the PLEXOS model when the Company has committed to build or acquire them. Future energy needs are met through the Company's existing generation fleet and the MISO energy market.

No future capacity resources were added to the PLEXOS model in calculations for the July 2016 through June 2017 test year.