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1. The “Economic Assistance Programs” and “Business Attraction Incentives” categories came in significantly under budget presumably resulting in a larger allocation under “Staffing”. Can you describe the circumstances that led to these variances?

Response:

As seen by review of 2011 actual expenses and 2012 budget, the increase in staffing expenditures was temporary and related to staff support during the 2011 floods that affected MidAmerican Energy Company’s South Dakota service territory. To stay in line with budgeted amounts, incentives and promoting economic development assistance were temporarily reduced to increase the staffing amounts. The 2012 budget returns to prior levels of support.