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Person Responsible: Suzan Stewart

2. Are any of the expenditures in the 2011 budget or proposed 2012 budget to pay for lobbying expenses? If so, do you know the amount?

## **Response:**

We contacted Yankton Area Progressive Growth, Vermillion Development Corporation, Lincoln County Economic Development Authority, Minnehaha County Community Development Authority and Sioux Falls Development. They have all advised that the amounts paid by MidAmerican Energy Company are not used directly to cover the costs of lobbying. That activity is performed and paid for through the affiliated Chamber rather than the economic development organization. Slater Barr is checking to make sure there is no money from the Forward Sioux Falls group. We will advise when we hear back from him.