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- 1-1) Explain why the NESDHCF- Milbank Hospital Expansion has a NG allocation of 0% in the first NG Allocation column on attachment A but then has 100% allocation to NG in the second allocation column.

The NESDHCF – Milbank Hospital Expansion request was received by NorthWestern Energy in September 2013. Following a presentation to NorthWestern by a representative of the organization to explain the project and its economic impact to Milbank, NorthWestern agreed to a contribution to assist with construction. As NorthWestern discussed during its submission of the 2013 economic development budget, it is expected that occasionally we will receive a worthwhile request for assistance that was not anticipated when the annual budget was developed.

- 1-2) In the docket on attachment B, Yankton Development Corp is included on the proposed budget with an NG allocation of 31%. In NorthWestern Energy's January 2014 economic development fact sheet on page 3 from NorthWestern's website it states NWE does not serve natural gas to Yankton. Please explain why this economic development project is included if natural gas is not served to Yankton.

The inclusion of the Yankton Development Corp in Attachment B, as submitted, was a simple oversight. A revised Attachment B is attached with this entity removed.

- 1-3) Were any of the actual expenses in attachment A related to Lobbying and are any expenses in attachment B, the proposed 2014 budget, for lobbying?

No.