

**BLACK HILLS POWER, INC.**  
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RESPONSE DATE : November 4, 2016

REQUESTING PARTY: SDPUC Staff

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**SDPUC Request No. 1-2:**

Is the BHP Whole House Efficiency Program only available to customers who also take service from Montana Dakota Utilities? If not, what is the incremental cost of the home audit when the cost is not shared between the Utilities? How many of the home audits in PY2015 were completed with the cost sharing program in place? If customers take service from both Utilities, how are the costs of the home audit program split between the Utilities?

**Response to SDPUC Request No. 1-2:**

A BHP Customer can be a total electric customer or utilize propane fuel and still receive an on-site audit. In this case, BHP's Service Technicians complete the home audit and BHP bears the entire cost. In PY2015, all of the audits were completed by BHP.

BHP recently received a bill from MDU for jointly sponsored audits and the cost was \$213.26/home. The approved plan included \$322.88/home and it is expected that the combined costs of the audits completed by BHP and the 3rd party will be as budgeted.