

**NorthWestern Energy
Docket GE16-005
South Dakota 2017 DSM Filing**

**South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
First Data Request (1-1 – 1-12)**

Data Requests received December 7, 2016

1-12) Please provide the contract(s) with DNV GL for the work performed since July 2014, and the proposed contract for the 2017 DSM Plan period.

RESPONSE:

See Confidential Attachment 1-12 for the contract and modification to the contract with DNV GL for the work performed since July 2014. A proposed contract with DNV GL for the 2017 DSM Plan period has not been assessed as NorthWestern was awaiting Data Requests and approval to proceed with the 2017 DSM Plan filed on November 18, 2016. After discussing the proposed 2017 DSM Plan with staff, NorthWestern is reevaluating the plan's offerings and will be submitting a revised 2017 DSM Plan that will include this information related to the revised plan offerings. NorthWestern will also submit the proposed contract for 2017 once the 2017 DSM Plan has been approved and the contract terms have been agreed to by both parties.