

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
DOCKET NO. NG12-007
Responses to Staff Data Requests
Dated December 27, 2012**

1-2) Looking at page 5 of the filing made October 4, 2011 in docket NG11-006, it appears a "Project Life" of 15 was used for High Efficiency Water Heaters. Why was a Project Life of 10 used in this filing?

Response:

The reference on page 5 of the October 5, 2011 filing in Docket No. NG11-006 was in error. The project life for high efficiency water heaters should be 10 years as shown on Attachment B, Page 72 in Docket No. NG11-006 dated October 4, 2011.