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IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

STATE OF IOWA

BEFORE THE IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY

Docket No. EEP-2012-0002

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DIRECT TESTIMONY
OF
DIANA L. VOTINO

1 Q. Please state your name, title and business address.

2 A. My name is Diana L. Votino. I am employed as Rates Analyst at MidAmerican
3 Energy Company (MidAmerican or Company), 106 East Second Street,
4 Davenport, Iowa.

5 Q. Please describe your education and business experience.

6 A. I received an Associates of Applied Science degree in Accounting from Scott
7 Community College in Bettendorf, Iowa in 1996 and a Bachelor of Applied
8 Management Technology degree from St. Ambrose University in Davenport,
9 Iowa in 1999. I have also done graduate work in Business Administration at the
10 University of Iowa. I have been employed by MidAmerican since September
11 1999. I have held my current position, Rates Analyst, since September 2011.
12 From July 2008 through September 2011 I held the position of Associate Rates
13 Analyst. From September 1999 through July 2008 I held various positions in

14 the customer service department including Mission Control Specialist,
15 Customer Service Associate II and Customer Service Associate I.

16 **Q. Have you testified before Iowa Utilities Board or other regulatory bodies**
17 **previously?**

18 A. No, I have not.

19 **Q. What is the purpose of your direct testimony?**

20 A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the rate and average bill impacts of
21 the Company's energy efficiency plan (Plan) filing as required by 199 Iowa
22 Administrative Code 35.8(2)"e," the rate impacts and average bill impacts, by
23 customer class, resulting from the Plan and each program. 199 IAC 35.8(2)"e."

24 **Q. Does your testimony meet these filing requirements?**

25 A. Yes, the rate and average bill impacts of the Plan were prepared in accordance
26 with and fulfill the requirements of the Board's rules.

27 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in the filing?**

28 A. Yes, I am sponsoring Exhibit__(DLV-1) which includes the following
29 schedules:

- 30 • Schedule 1: Iowa Electric Rate and Average Bill Impact
- 31 • Schedule 2: Iowa Gas Rate and Average Bill Impact
- 32 • Schedule 3: Common Program Allocations

33 **Q. Please describe how the electric and gas rate and average bill impact**
34 **calculations were made.**

35 A. The electric rate impact shown on Exhibit__(DLV-1), Schedule 1 is calculated
36 by dividing the estimated annual Plan spending for each of the residential,

37 nonresidential and lighting customer classes by the corresponding estimated
38 annual kWh for each customer class. Similarly, the gas rate impact shown on
39 Exhibit__(DLV-1), Schedule 2 is calculated using the annual Plan spending
40 and estimated annual therms by customer class. The bill impact is calculated by
41 dividing the estimated Plan spending for each customer class and utility by the
42 number of customers in each utility and customer class.

43 **Q. What are the results of these calculations?**

44 A. Exhibit__(DLV-1), Schedule 1 shows an average residential electric rate
45 impact of \$0.00547 and annual bill impact of \$55.92; average nonresidential
46 electric rate impact of \$0.00238 and annual bill impact of \$403.52 and average
47 lighting rate impact of \$0.00013 and annual bill impact of \$3.88.
48 Exhibit __(DLV-1), Schedule 2 shows an average residential gas rate impact of
49 \$0.03850 and annual bill impact of \$29.15 and average nonresidential gas rate
50 impact of \$0.04498 and annual bill impact of \$195.10.

51 **Q. Are these calculations different than previous plan filings?**

52 A. The only difference to the calculations described above compared to those
53 made in previous plan filings is the subtraction of \$3,111,975 from non-
54 residential electric program costs on Schedule 1. This amount is the dollar value
55 of curtailment costs embedded in base rates and therefore not recovered through
56 the energy efficiency cost recovery factor. This amount has routinely been
57 identified in the annual energy efficiency cost recovery factor reconciliation
58 filings, but was not separately identified in the prior plan filings. Subtracting
59 the embedded curtailment costs from the total program costs provides a better

60 estimate of the actual impact on non-residential customer bills. In all other
61 respects these calculations are the same as in prior filings and quantify the costs
62 to the average customer. However, these calculations recognize only the impact
63 of Plan spending on customer bills and do not recognize the benefits from
64 MidAmerican's proposed Plan. MidAmerican witness Charles Rea describes
65 the benefit/cost ratio achieved by the Plan. As judged by the societal cost test,
66 the investment proposed in MidAmerican's Plan will return a benefit of 2.48
67 times the cost of electric programs and 1.74 times the cost of gas programs.
68 Individual customer savings, however, will vary depending on each individual
69 customer's participation in energy efficiency programs.

70 **Q. Are any other changes being proposed for the energy efficiency cost**
71 **recovery factors?**

72 A. Yes, I propose to consolidate the electric commercial/small general service and
73 industrial/large general service class categories into a single category for the
74 cost recovery factor. Since 1999 the energy efficiency cost recovery factors
75 have been the same for the commercial/small general service and
76 industrial/large general service class categories. As described by MidAmerican
77 witness Tina Yoder, non-residential programs are available to both large and
78 small non-residential customer classes. The consolidation of these classes will
79 be reflected on the applicable electric tariff sheet upon approval of this energy
80 efficiency plan.

81 **Q. Does this conclude your prepared direct testimony?**

82 A. Yes, it does.

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AFFIDAVIT
OF
DIANE L. VOTINO

STATE OF IOWA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SCOTT)

I, Diane L. Votino, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and state that I am the same Diane L. Votino, identified in the Direct Testimony; that I have caused the Direct Testimony, to be prepared and am familiar with the contents thereof; and that the Direct Testimony, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief as of the date of this Affidavit.

/s/ Diane L Votino
Diane L. Votino

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 1st day of, February, 2013.

/s/ Debbie A. Sanders
Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa
My commission expires on January 3, 2015