South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Docket GE15-001 MidAmerican Energy Company First Data Requests

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Please provide all studies, if any were completed, that determined how the reduction in residential furnace rebates will impact the number of participants.

## **Response:**

MidAmerican did not conduct a study on how the reduction in the residential furnace rebate to \$400 would impact the number of participants. However, due to MidAmerican's efforts with trade allies to increase their awareness of the rebates offered through the programs and educating them on how to incorporate the benefits of energy efficient into their business models, MidAmerican doesn't believe that 2015 participation will drop below the original level included in the updated 2014 budget. Our expectation is that the 2015 participation level will be similar to that seen over the last two years.