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Response to WIEC Data Request 8.28 in concurrent
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Please see the response to WIEC1.83 and 1.84. The answers indicate that transmission capacity from Wyoming would still be needed even if Bridger 3 and 4 were retired and replaced with generation located elsewhere. Would the retirement of Bridger 3 and 4 delay the need for any of the Gateway transmission resources? Please provide a detailed explanation why or why not.

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The Company is analyzing the current operating history and reliability conditions, including power flow constraints on the existing transmission system in Wyoming. At this time that analysis has not been completed. It is anticipated that this analysis will be completed in Q4 of 2012.

Additionally, it is not practical to determine with any certainty the change in need, modifications or delays in various Energy Gateway segments due to Bridger Unit 3 and 4 retirements, until the timing, location, type and size of the resources that replace the units has been determined.