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Page II-30 of the Company Depreciation Study (Exh. RMP____(JJS-2)) shows the Craig units with life Spans of 54 and 55 years. For most other steam production plants on that page the average life span is in the 60s.

- a** Please explain the reasons that the life span of the Craig plant is expected to be 54-55 years (as opposed to an average life span in the 60s).
- b** Provide the documents that support the response to part (a)

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- a** The closure date of 2034 was selected for Craig units 1 and 2 and is consistent with the age used in the 2007 depreciation study. The 2034 data was the retirement date selected by the majority owners in the previous depreciation study. The Company has not proposed increases to the previously approved coal plant lives because of its concerns related to environmental regulations. The Company has recently become aware (subsequent to submittal of the 2012 Depreciation proceedings) that the majority joint owner extended their proposed lives.
- b** Please see Attachment DPU 6.13, which is the document submitted for the Estimated Previous Lives in the 2007 depreciation study.