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## Respond Data Request

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Issue

Requested From

Other - Other Dana Eaves

Requested By

Stephanie Gates

**Brief Description** 

Description

On page 15, lines 9-10, of the Rebuttal Testimony of Dana Eaves On page 15, lines 9-10, of the Rebuttal Testimony of Dana

Date 6-06 to Reporter

Eaves, Mr. Eaves indicates that a correlation co-efficient of 0.8941 has a "strong positive association." a. Please provide any support for this conclusion. b. Provide any references to statistical textbooks, treatises or articles in Staff's possession that indicate that a co-efficient of 0.8941 is a "strong positive association." Please provide a copy of any pages from these references that support this conclusion. c. State the minimum level that a correlation co-efficient would have to be for Mr. Eaves to conclude that the correlation co-efficient has a "strong positive association.

Response

A. http://irthoughts.wordpress.com/2010/11/29/understanding-

correlation/

http://mste.illinois.edu/courses/ci330ms/youtsey/scatterinfo.html http://mathbits.com/mathbits/tisection/statistics2/correlation.htm B. See response to "a", above. C. Mr. Eaves provides the following reference; "As a rule of thumb a strong correlation or relationship has an r-value range of between 0.85 to 1, or -0.85 to -1. In a moderate correlation, the r-value ranges from 0.75 to 0.85 or, -0.75 to -0.85. In a weak correlation, one that is not a very helpful predictor, r ranges from 0.60 to 0.74 or -0.60 to 0.74. Though an entirely random relationship equals, 0.00, any relationship that has a correlation r-value that is 0.59 and below

is not considered to be a reliable predictor." See:

http://irthoughts.wordpress.com/2010/11/29/understanding-

correlation/

Objections

NA

The attached information provided to Missouri Public Service Commission Staff in response to the above data information request is accurate and complete, and contains no material misrepresentations or omissions, based upon present facts of which the undersigned has knowledge, information or belief. The undersigned agrees to immediately inform the Missouri Public Service Commission if, during the pendency of Case No. EO-2011-0390 before the Commission, any matters are discovered which would materially affect the accuracy or completeness of the attached information. If these data are voluminous, please (1) identify the relevant documents and their location (2) make arrangements with requestor to have documents available for inspection in the MO PSC Staff-(All) office, or other location mutually agreeable. Where identification of a document is requested, briefly describe the document (e.g. book, letter, memorandum, report) and state the following information as applicable for the particular document: name, title number, author, date of