

**CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
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Q. (Volume IX, Pp 177, 178 of 464) Please explain the impacts (tables 3-4, 3-5) on the Rumford area load forecast from the recently announced shut down of the Wausau paper mill machine number 10. What affect does this action have both on the need for transmission upgrades and non-transmission alternatives in this region.

A. As shown in the confidential attachment to CES-01-08, electricity sales to Wausau were projected to be in the 64-65 million kWh range. The shutdown of PM #10 will reduce sales to Wausau to about 37 million kWh, or by about 4 MW.

The shutdown of the PM#10 will reduce the maximum achievable cost-effective energy efficiency potential in this area by approximately 17% of Wausau's reduction in annual energy sales in 2017. The demand response potential in the area will be reduced by 8.5% of the reduction in coincident summer peak load in 2017.

Although we have not rerun the transmission or non-transmission analyses without this load, a 4 MW reduction in load will not alter the conclusions reached in those studies.

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