1   **General**
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3   **Q.   Ref: PUB-87 NP and PUB-88 NP. How many employees actively use (defined for the**
4   **purposes of this reply as using the Application at least once a week) their version of**
5   **MS Access?**
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7   A.   Statistics on how many employees actively use their version of MS Access are not
8   tracked.
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10   There are currently 460 active Access databases installed on the Company's shared
11   computing infrastructure. Some of these databases are used by individual employees for
12   daily operations, while others are used by entire departments. Examples of these
13   databases include:
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15   •   a Change Management database is used by all employees in the Information
16   Services department to approve and schedule changes to the production
17   infrastructure;
18   •   a Contract Management database is used by the Materials Management group to
19   track contracts;
20   •   a Plant Records database is used by the Finance department to track fixed assets;
21   •   a Content Management database is used by the Corporate Communications
22   department to update the Company's Web Site; and,
23   •   an Operator Log database is used by the Information Services department
24   Computer Room Operators to record daily batch and backup activities.
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26   Due to the widespread use of MS Access within the Company, it is operationally more
27   effective to standardize Office Professional which includes MS Access licences.