

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Applied Block Chain Office – Dickey County
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-22-366

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Applied Block Chain Data Processing Extension
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-22-370

NOTICE OF HEARING

November 17, 2022

A **Public Hearing** on the application in Case Nos. PU-22-366 and PU-22-370 is scheduled to begin **December 19, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time in the Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.**

On October 14, 2022, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., filed applications to extend service to Applied Blockchain at a location in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 4, T 129N, R 63W and a location in the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 9, T 129N, R 63W in Dickey County, North Dakota. On October 24, 2022, a Protest and Request for Hearing was received from Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. The issues to be considered in these matters are:

1. From whom does the customer prefer electric service?
2. What electric suppliers are operating in the general area?
3. What electric supply lines exist within at least a two-mile radius of the location to be served, and when were they constructed?
4. What customers are served by electric suppliers within at least a two-mile radius of the location to be served?
5. What are the differences, if any, between the electric suppliers available to serve the area with respect to reliability of service?
6. Which of the available electric suppliers will be able to serve the location in question more economically and still earn an adequate return on its investment?
7. Which supplier's extended electric service would best serve orderly and economic development of electric service in the general area?
8. Would approval of the applications result in wasteful duplication of investment or service?
9. Is it probable that the location in question will be included within the corporate limits of a municipality within the foreseeable future?
10. Will service by either of the electric supplier in the area unreasonably interfere with the service or system of the other?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

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Steve Kahl
Executive Secretary