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PSC Schedules Public Input Sessions for Proposed MDU Electric Rate Increase

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold two public input sessions on April 5, 2023, which will allow participants to provide comments regarding a request from Montana-Dakota Utilities (MDU) for an increase to their electric rates.

During the sessions, officials from MDU will provide a presentation regarding their proposal and then public comments will be taken. The proposed increase would result in an annual increase in its North Dakota electric service revenue of approximately \$25.4 million or a 12.3 percent increase over current rates.

Details for the public input sessions are as follows:

- Wednesday, April 5, 2023 Noon and 5:00 p.m. Central
- View the hearing online: https://psc.nd.gov/public/meetings/live.php
- Listen via telephone: 1-888-585-9008 Room Code 671-872-185.

Public Input: The Commission will receive comments through the following methods:

- <u>In-person</u> Sessions will be held at the State Capitol Building in Bismarck, 12th Floor
- Written Written comments may be submitted via e-mail by sending to ndpsc@nd.gov or by mail addressed to: Public Service Commission, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408, Bismarck, ND 58505.
- <u>Telephone</u> MDU customers wanting to comment on the phone during the public input sessions should call 701-328-4081 to be placed on a list. On April 5, the Commission will call you back during the designated public input session.

Public input sessions are not considered part of the formal technical hearing, but the PSC Commissioners will be attending and using the information gathered at the sessions to identify areas of concern that may require further investigation during the formal technical hearing.

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