

April 22, 2002

Jon Mielke, Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Case No. PU-399-01-186

Jon:

I am writing to inform you that the advocacy staff could not reach a settlement agreement with MDU in the above referenced case.

Sincerely,

William W. Binek
Counsel for Advocacy Staff

cc: William Pearce
Don Ball