

June 11, 2002

Mr. Don Ball
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
400 N 4th Street
Bismarck, ND 58501

Re: Request for Court Reporter
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Natural Gas Rate Increase
Application
Case No. PU-399-02-183

Dear Mr. Ball:

The hearing in the above case has been scheduled for October 7, 2002, beginning at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission Hearing Room. The Commission will tape record the hearing. If MDU would like a court reporter present at the hearing please notify the Commission in writing within ten days of receipt of this letter and our office will make the necessary arrangements.

The Commission has a contract with the following court-reporting service:

Emineth & Associates
P. O. Box 2655
Bismarck, ND 58502-2655
Telephone: 701-255-3513
Fax: 701-255-6079

Montana-Dakota Utilities would pay costs associated with the court-reporting service (i.e. appearance fee, transcript of hearing), and Emineth & Associates will bill for its services as directed.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

William W. Binek
Hearing Administrator