

November 15, 2002

Jon Mielke, Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408
Bismarck ND 58505

RE: PU-399-02-183
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Natural Gas Rate Increase
Application

Dear Mr. Mielke:

Enclosed is the original and seven copies of staff's proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order, and Brief in the above noted proceeding.

Sincerely,

William W. Binek
Chief Counsel

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Enclosure

c: Don Ball, MDU
William Pearce
Doug Schulz, MDU