

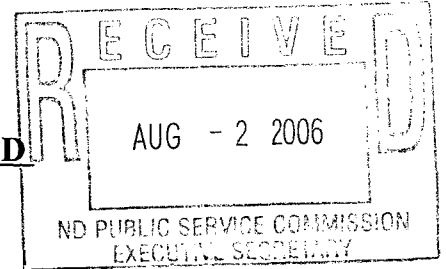
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Honorable Donald L. Jorgensen
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*Re: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. v. North Dakota Public Service Commission and Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Civil No. 06-C-1177*

Dear Judge Jorgensen:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. requests that the Court consider implementing a briefing schedule in the above appeal of the Public Service Commission Order dated June 22, 2006. MDU is prepared to file its brief on or before August 10, 2006. We would suggest that the appellees be given until August 30, 2006 to respond, and then until September 19, 2006 for a reply brief by MDU.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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