

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a)
Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.)

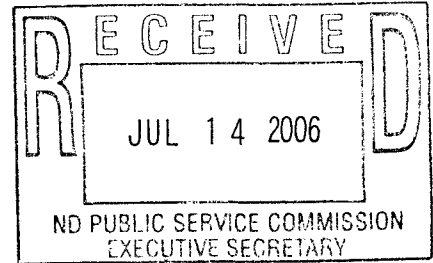
CIVIL NO. 06-C-1290

Petitioner,)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

vs.)

North Dakota Public Service Commission,)



Respondent.)

TO: NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., presented to this Court and filed in the above-entitled proceeding a verified petition for writ of prohibition asserting that the Public Service Commission intends to act, and is acting in excess of its authority in an action now pending before the Public Service Commission entitled Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc., Complainant v. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., Respondent, Case No. PU-06-255, and that Montana-Dakota, petitioner herein, has no plain, adequate or speedy remedy in the ordinary course of law as a party-interested.

YOU ARE COMMANDED to show cause before the Honorable Gail Hagerty at Burleigh County Court House, Bismarck, North Dakota, at 10:30 a.m., on July 25, 2006 or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard, as to why you should not be restrained and prohibited from any further proceedings in the action matter or proceeding until further order of the Court.

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Clk. of Crt. Burleigh Co.

Dated this 14 day of July, 2006.

BY THE COURT

By

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anna Anderson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the word "By".

Judge of the District Court