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RE: **Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., A Division
of MDU Resources Group, Inc.
Advance Determination of Prudence
Application
Case No. PU-06-482**

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced case is the original and seven copies of the **Staff Response to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co's Application Requesting Trade Secret Protection.**

Thank you.

Sincerely,

William W. Binek
Chief Counsel

Enclosure

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