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Cost of Gas/Propane

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MDU is decreasing its propane Cost of Gas charge by **\$0.882 per dekatherm (dk)** compared to last month. The Cost of Gas charge will change from \$17.746 per dk to **\$16.864 per dk**. The revised Cost of Gas charge will be applied to propane gas bills issued during **May 2008** to Hettinger customers.

The commodity cost change is a result of the lowest price MDU obtained from its regional bulk wholesale propane suppliers. The change in the price of propane is generally driven by a combination of crude oil and natural gas prices, weather, demand, and inventory levels.

For residential customer usage of 5.0 dk (representative of May), the cost of propane gas in the bill will be approximately \$4.41 lower than last month and \$31.27 higher than May 2007. There were 335 propane customers in Hettinger as of March 31, 2008. The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the website: <http://www.eia.doe.gov>.