

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Chad Olson – DOCO Subdivision – Kidder
County, North Dakota
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-08-693

NOTICE OF HEARING

September 10, 2008

On August 25, 2008, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., (MDU) filed an application to extend electric service to Lots 3-5 and 7-11 in the DOCO Subdivision located in the SW 1/4 of NW1/4, Section 17, Township 139N, Range 17W, Kidder County, North Dakota. Submitted with the application was a request from MDU that the Commission consider this application at the time of the consolidated hearing already noticed for September 16, 2008 where the Commission is scheduled to hear similar applications filed by MDU to extend electric service to Lots 2, 6 and 1 within the DOCO Subdivision in Case Nos. PU-08-345; PU-08-346; and PU-08-347, respectively. On September 3, 2008, MDU notified the Commission that it has no objection to hearing this matter in conjunction with the September 16, 2008 hearing.

On August 27, 2008, KEM Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Linton, North Dakota filed its objection to MDU's application and requested the matter be set for hearing. On September 4, 2008, KEM Electric notified the Commission that it has no objection to hearing this matter in conjunction with the September 16, 2008 hearing.

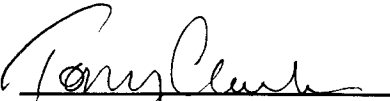
Please take notice that a consolidated public hearing on the applications filed in Case Nos. PU-08-345, PU-08-346, PU-08-347 and PU-08-693 will be held **Tuesday, September 16, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. CDT, in the Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota.** The issues to be considered are:

1. From whom do the customers prefer electric service?
2. What electric suppliers are operating in the general area?
3. What electric supply lines exist within at least a two-mile radius of the location to be served, and when were they constructed?
4. What customers are served by electric suppliers within at least a two-mile radius of the location to be served?
5. What are the differences, if any, between the electric suppliers available to serve the area with respect to reliability of service?

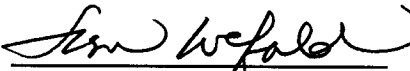
6. Which of the available electric suppliers will be able to serve the location in question more economically and still earn an adequate return on its investment?
7. Which supplier's extended electric service would best serve orderly and economic development of electric service in the general area?
8. Would approval of the applications result in wasteful duplication of investment or service?
9. Is it probable that the location in question will be included within the corporate limits of a municipality within the foreseeable future?
10. Will service by either of the electric supplier in the area unreasonably interfere with the service or system of the other?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify Darrell Nitschke, Executive Director, at least 24 hours in advance.

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