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**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division
of MDU Resources Group, Inc.
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Cost of Gas - Propane**

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MDU is increasing its propane Cost of Gas charge by **\$2.195 per dekatherm (dk)** compared to last month. The Cost of Gas charge will change from \$11.376 per dk to **\$13.571 per dk**. The revised Cost of Gas charge will be applied to propane gas bills issued during **February 2009** 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 13.0 dk (representative of February), the cost of propane gas in the bill will be approximately \$28.54 higher than last month and \$61.41 lower than February 2008. There were 335 propane customers in Hettinger as of December 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>.