



MONTANA-DAKOTA

UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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January 19, 2009

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service
Commission
State Capitol Building
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Fuel Clause Adjustment (FCA)
Case No. PU-09-__

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith respectfully files an original and seven (7) copies of its fuel clause adjustment (FCA) per its Fuel Clause Rate 58. The attached statement shows the following:

Cost per Kwh	\$0.02253
Base Cost/Kwh Included in Current Rates	0.01303
Total Billing Adjustment	\$0.00950

The net effect of this FCA is to increase the rate by 0.063 cents per Kwh for service rendered in the month of February 2009. All of North Dakota's electric customers will be affected by this proposal. There were 74,710 electric customers in North Dakota as of December 31, 2008.

The increase in the FCA for February is caused by the fact that the lower cost month of August, used in the January calculation, was replaced by the higher cost month of December.

In response to Paragraph No. 11 of NDAC Section 69-09-02-39, Montana-Dakota purchases natural gas used for electric generation from its own gas operations or transports natural gas purchased from others under the applicable gas tariff approved and on file with the Commission in the state where the purchase is made or the transportation occurs.

Montana-Dakota submitted a check for the amount of \$600.00 on December 17, 2008. This payment will cover the filing fee associated with the monthly FCA filings, in accordance with North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-05, for January through December, 2009.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of this letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,



Rita A. Mulkern
Regulatory Analysis Manager

Attachment
cc: D. Ball

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)
)
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH)

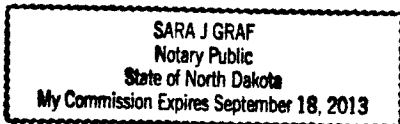
Rita A. Mulkern, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That she is the Regulatory Analysis Manager of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., that she has supervised the preparation of the foregoing statements, certifies that all of the statements are based upon the records of the respondent, and that the same is true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information and belief.

Dated this 19th day of January, 2009.

Rita A. Mulkern

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Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public for the state and county above named, this 19th day of January, 2009.



Sara J. Graf

Sara J. Graf, Notary Public
Burleigh County, North Dakota
My Commission Expires: 09/18/2013

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
FUEL COST ADJUSTMENT - NORTH DAKOTA
FEBRUARY 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT SUMMARY**

	<u>Amount</u>
Current cost per Kwh 1/	\$0.02136
Surcharge Adjustment	<u>0.00117</u>
Total Cost per Kwh	\$0.02253
Less: Base Cost 2/	<u>0.01303</u>
Total Fuel Cost Adjustment	<u><u>\$0.00950</u></u>

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2/ Base cost of fuel per Case No. PU-399-03-296,
order dated December 18, 2003.

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
FUEL COST ADJUSTMENT - NORTH DAKOTA
FEBRUARY 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT**

	2008				Total
	September	October	November	December	
Fuel & Purchased Power Costs					
Account 151 and Natural Gas Used for Generation	\$3,399,873	\$3,947,835	\$3,902,759	\$4,199,527	\$15,449,994
Account 555 (Excludes Demand) 1/	415,577	230,628	204,179	1,827,337	2,677,721
Total Energy Related Costs	\$3,815,450	\$4,178,463	\$4,106,938	\$6,026,864	\$18,127,715
Fuel Costs - Sales for Resale	353,455	630,750	293,517	55,849	1,333,571
Net System Costs	\$3,461,995	\$3,547,713	\$3,813,421	\$5,971,015	\$16,794,144
Kwh Retail Sales	199,008,071	193,592,363	163,277,743	230,221,759	786,099,936
Cost Per Kwh	\$0.01740	\$0.01833	\$0.02336	\$0.02594	\$0.02136

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
ACCOUNT 555
FEBRUARY 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT

Account No.	Account Description	2008			
		September	October	November	December
555.1	Purchased Power	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
555.111	Day-Ahead Asset Energy	(\$614,378)	(\$1,607,740)	(\$803,050)	1,231,005
555.112	Day-Ahead Non-Asset Energy	0	0	0	0
555.113	Day-Ahead Virtual Energy	0	0	0	0
555.114	Real-Time Asset Energy	653,690	1,153,247	430,810	8,501
555.115	Real-Time Non-Asset Energy	(2,137)	(1,072)	(1,316)	(4,268)
555.116	Real-Time Virtual Energy	0	0	0	0
555.1211	Day-Ahead Asset Congestion	184,243	239,936	23,322	185,462
555.1212	Day-Ahead Financial Bilateral Congestion Loss	0	0	0	0
555.1213	Day-Ahead Non-Asset Congestion	0	0	0	0
555.1214	Day-Ahead Virtual Congestion	0	0	0	0
555.1215	Real-Time Asset Congestion	(251,661)	(123,029)	(50,515)	(18,823)
555.1216	Real-Time Financial Bilateral Transaction Congestion	0	0	0	0
555.1217	Real-Time Non-Asset Congestion	0	0	0	0
555.1218	Real-Time Virtual Congestion	0	0	0	0
555.1221	Financial Transmission Rights Hourly Allocation	(54,745)	(29,033)	14,828	(2,157)
555.1222	Financial Transmission Rights Market Administration	0	0	0	0
555.1223	Financial Transmission Rights Monthly Allocation	3	(658)	(554)	(1,976)
555.1224	Financial Transmission Rights Transaction	0	0	0	0
555.1225	Financial Transmission Rights Yearly Allocation	0	0	0	0
555.1226	Financial Transmission Rights Funding Guarantee Amt	(1,183)	(1,556)	(980)	(2,063)
555.1227	Financial Transmission Rights Guarantee Uplift Amt	1,187	3,264	3,804	2,868
555.1228	Financial Transmission Rights Monthly Transaction	0	0	21,617	0
555.1230	Revenue Rights Transaction	(35,909)	(34,100)	(35,909)	(15,785)
555.1231	Annual Transaction	35,422	35,422	35,422	19,230
555.1233	Revenue Rights Stage 2 Distribution	32,588	(6,845)	(45,086)	(53,976)
555.131	Day-Ahead Asset Loss	311,392	412,150	308,922	317,291
555.132	Day-Ahead Financial Bilateral Transaction Loss	0	0	0	0
555.133	Day-Ahead Non-Asset Loss	0	0	0	0
555.134	Day-Ahead Virtual Loss	0	0	0	0
555.135	Real-Time Asset Loss	167,550	218,283	335,040	293,576
555.136	Real-Time Distribution of Loss	(70,787)	(68,683)	(61,085)	(125,268)
555.137	Real-Time Financial Bilateral Transaction Loss	0	0	0	0
555.138	Real-Time Non-Asset Loss	0	0	0	0
555.139	Real-Time Virtual Loss	0	0	0	0
555.141	Day-Ahead Market Administration	0	0	0	0
555.142	Real-Time Market Administration	0	0	0	0
555.151	Day-Ahead Rev Suff Guarantee Distribution	3,072	2,132	3,059	4,559
555.152	Day-Ahead Rev Suff Guarantee Make Whole Pmt	0	0	0	0
555.153	Real-Time Miscellaneous	(2,584)	(1,106)	(2,374)	(1,842)
555.154	Real-Time Net Inadvertent Distribution	2,092	(191)	1,536	2,365
555.155	Real-Time Revenue Neutrality Uplift	36,942	45,383	21,612	33,057
555.156	R-T Rev Suff Guarantee First Pass Distribution	18,184	8,196	16,215	23,360
555.157	R-T Rev Suff Guarantee Make Whole Payment	0	0	(23,006)	(61,189)
555.158	Real-Time Uninstructed Deviation	10,067	(10,140)	10,780	(6,950)
555.159	Day Ahead Schedule 24	4,136	4,848	4,612	6,026
555.160	Real Time Schedule 24	382	403	429	472
555.162	Real Time Price Volume Make Whole Payment	(11,989)	(8,483)	(3,954)	(6,138)
	Total MISO Market Charges	\$415,577	\$230,628	\$204,179	\$1,827,337
Total Account 555 Charges		\$415,577	\$230,628	\$204,179	\$1,827,337

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
INFORMATIONAL SUPPLEMENT
TO RATE 58
NORTH DAKOTA**

	<u>Current Adjustment in Cents per Kwh</u>	<u>Amount of Change in Cents per Kwh</u>	<u>Current Adjustment in Dollars per Kwh</u>
January 2008	0.899	(0.139)	0.00899
February	1.121	0.222	0.01121
March	1.165	0.044	0.01165
April	1.227	0.062	0.01227
May	1.142	(0.085)	0.01142
June	0.653	(0.489)	0.00653
July	0.710	0.057	0.00710
August	1.039	0.329	0.01039
September	1.263	0.224	0.01263
October	1.590	0.327	0.01590
November	1.352	(0.238)	0.01352
December	0.990	(0.362)	0.00990
January 2009	0.887	(0.103)	0.00887
February	0.950	0.063	0.00950

Base rates effective on or after January 23, 2004. Base cost of fuel @ \$0.01303 per Kwh per Case No. PU-399-03-296