

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Montana –Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of
MDU Resources Group, Inc.
Continental Rscs. Marlene & McGregor –
Williams Cty.
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-09-126

ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY

June 3, 2009

On March 23, 2009, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., an electric public utility, filed an application under Chapter 49-03, N.D.C.C. to extend electrical service to Continental Resources' oil well sites Marlene 1-10H and McGregor 1-15H, at locations in Williams County, North Dakota.

On April 13, 2009, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in this proceeding. The Notice provided if no objections were received by May 15, 2009, the application would be granted as requested. No objections have been received.

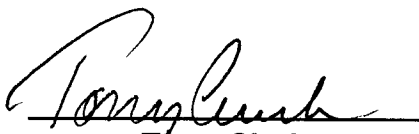
Order

The Commission orders:

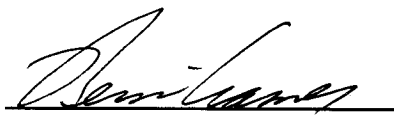
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. is issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5397 authorizing the provision of electric distribution service to Continental Resources at points located in

Sections 10 and 15, Township 159N, Range 95W,
Williams County, North Dakota

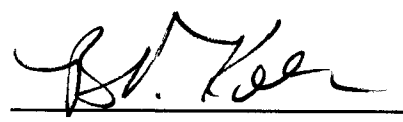
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Commissioner



Kevin Cramer
President



Brian P. Kalk
Commissioner

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 5397

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted, for Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., to serve Continental Resources' oil well sites Marlene 1-10H and McGregor 1-15H, in Sections 10 and 15, Township 159N, Range 95W, Williams County, North Dakota.

This certificate is issued in accordance with the Order of this Commission dated June 3, 2009 in Case No. PU-09-126, and is subject to the conditions and limitations noted in the Order.

This certificate is conditioned upon Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other public authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 3, 2009.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Executive Secretary


Commissioner