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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	\$0.02023
Base Cost/Kwh Included in Current Rates	<u>0.01303</u>
Total Billing Adjustment	\$0.00720

The net effect of this FCA is to decrease the rate by 0.283 cents per Kwh for service rendered in the month of April 2009. All of North Dakota's electric customers will be affected by this proposal. There were 74,800 electric customers in North Dakota as of February 28, 2009.

The decrease in the FCA for April is caused by the decrease in the surcharge adjustment.

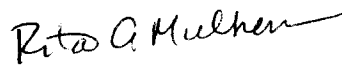
Exhibit B shows the calculation of the surcharge adjustment that will be applicable to Montana-Dakota's customers from April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010. The total surcharge is a negative \$0.00164 per Kwh, a decrease of .281 cents per Kwh from the adjustment effective April 1, 2008.

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

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

	<u>Amount</u>
Current cost per Kwh 1/	\$0.02187
Surcharge Adjustment	<u>(0.00164)</u>
Total Cost per Kwh	\$0.02023
Less: Base Cost 2/	<u>0.01303</u>
Total Fuel Cost Adjustment	<u>\$0.00720</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
APRIL 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT**

	2008		2009		Total
	November	December	January	February	
Fuel & Purchased Power Costs					
Account 151 and Natural Gas Used for Generation	\$3,902,759	\$4,199,527	\$3,667,024	\$3,707,143	\$15,476,453
Account 555 (Excludes Demand) 1/	204,179	1,827,337	1,567,962	305,626	3,905,104
Total Energy Related Costs	\$4,106,938	\$6,026,864	\$5,234,986	\$4,012,769	\$19,381,557
Fuel Costs - Sales for Resale	293,517	55,849	64,015	84,645	498,026
Net System Costs	\$3,813,421	\$5,971,015	\$5,170,971	\$3,928,124	\$18,883,531
Kwh Retail Sales	163,277,743	230,221,759	258,094,922	211,981,953	863,576,377
Cost Per Kwh	\$0.02336	\$0.02594	\$0.02004	\$0.01853	\$0.02187

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

Account No.	Account Description	2008		2009	
		November	December	January	February
555.1	Purchased Power	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
555.111	Day-Ahead Asset Energy	(\$803,050)	\$1,231,005	1,335,329	178,595
555.114	Real-Time Asset Energy	430,810	8,501	(238,926)	(342,192)
555.115	Real-Time Non-Asset Energy	(1,316)	(4,268)	(40)	0
555.117	Real-Time Excessive Energy	0	0	0	(27)
555.118	Real-Time Non-Excessive Energy	0	0	(1,372)	206,756
555.1211	Day-Ahead Asset Congestion	23,322	185,462	42,222	(9,002)
555.1215	Real-Time Asset Congestion	(50,515)	(18,823)	2,943	25,097
555.1219	Real-Time Non-Excessive Congestion	0	0	(22,415)	(55,983)
555.1221	Financial Transmission Rights Hourly Allocation	14,828	(2,157)	(403)	(578)
555.1223	Financial Transmission Rights Monthly Allocation	(554)	(1,976)	0	(992)
555.1226	Financial Transmission Rights Funding Guarantee Amt	(980)	(2,063)	(1,954)	525
555.1227	Financial Transmission Rights Guarantee Uplift Amt	3,804	2,868	1,888	(1,122)
555.1228	Financial Transmission Rights Monthly Transaction	21,617	0	0	0
555.1230	Revenue Rights Transaction	(35,909)	(15,785)	(13,359)	(12,817)
555.1231	Annual Transaction	35,422	19,230	19,230	19,230
555.1233	Revenue Rights Stage 2 Distribution	(45,086)	(53,976)	(53,985)	(53,981)
555.130	Real-Time Non-Excessive Loss	0	0	(13,369)	(28,455)
555.131	Day-Ahead Asset Loss	308,922	317,291	287,273	228,463
555.135	Real-Time Asset Loss	335,040	293,576	229,363	193,733
555.136	Real-Time Distribution of Loss	(61,085)	(125,268)	(86,524)	(60,127)
555.151	Day-Ahead Rev Suff Guarantee Distribution	3,059	4,559	12,328	2,898
555.153	Real-Time Miscellaneous	(2,374)	(1,842)	1,450	(143)
555.154	Real-Time Net Inadvertent Distribution	1,536	2,365	(440)	(1,054)
555.155	Real-Time Revenue Neutrality Uplift	21,612	33,057	(31,572)	(21,588)
555.156	R-T Rev Suff Guarantee First Pass Distribution	16,215	23,360	76,410	58,141
555.157	R-T Rev Suff Guarantee Make Whole Payment	(23,006)	(61,189)	(12,529)	(55,811)
555.158	Real-Time Uninstructed Deviation	10,780	(6,950)	(3,654)	0
555.159	Day Ahead Schedule 24	4,612	6,026	5,315	5,271
555.160	Real Time Schedule 24	429	472	385	389
555.162	Real Time Price Volume Make Whole Payment	(3,954)	(6,138)	(844)	(1,488)
555.1701	Day-Ahead Spinning Reserve Amount	0	0	(16,638)	(4,031)
555.1711	Real-Time Excessive Deficient Energy Deployment	0	0	220	104
555.1714	Real-Time Spinning Reserve Amount	0	0	96	(2,391)
555.1715	Real-Time Supplemental Reserve Amount	0	0	238	(238)
555.1716	Real-Time Regulation Cost Distribution	0	0	28,686	22,548
555.1717	Real-Time Spinning Reserve Cost Distribution Amount	0	0	21,803	15,065
555.1718	Real-Time Supplemental Reserve Cost Distribution	0	0	807	831
	Total MISO Market Charges	\$204,179	\$1,827,337	\$1,567,962	\$305,626
	Total Account 555 Charges	\$204,179	\$1,827,337	\$1,567,962	\$305,626

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
COMPUTATION OF (OVER) / UNDER RECOVERED FUEL COST ADJUSTMENT
APPLICABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA
TO BE EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2009 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2010**

(Over)/under recovered electric costs @ January 31, 2009 (\$2,233,940)

Less: Projected recovery from rates already established

	Volume	Rate	Amount
February	138,262,641	\$0.00117	161,767
March	125,323,000	\$0.00117	146,628
	263,585,641		308,395

Additional recovery required (\$2,542,335)

Projected sales volumes (Kwh)

April 2009	118,410,000
May	116,276,000
June	119,934,000
July	145,767,000
August	137,143,000
September	125,034,000
October	119,798,000
November	128,052,000
December	141,290,000
January 2010	139,513,000
February	133,247,000
March	127,824,000

Total 1,552,288,000

Total (over)/under recovered fuel cost adjustment
to be effective April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 (\$0.00164)

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
COMPUTATION OF (OVER) / UNDER RECOVERED
UNRECOVERED FUEL COST ACCOUNT BALANCE
APPLICABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA

	(Over) Under Recovery	Refunds & Other	Interest	Total Net Additions	Actual Kwh Sales	Adjustment Per Kwh	Total Adjustment Amount	Net Change- Additions less Adjustment	Cumulative Balance
Balance @ January 31, 2008									\$1,948,152
February	(\$521,010)	\$0	\$2,265	(\$518,745)	146,749,755	\$0.00057	\$83,647	(\$602,392)	\$1,345,760
March	(675,012)	0	917	(674,095)	126,931,894	0.00057	72,351	(746,446)	599,314
April	(1,697,544)	0	408	(1,697,136)	128,273,832	0.00117	150,080	(1,847,216)	(1,247,902)
May	286,545	0	(1,140)	285,405	105,865,844	0.00117	123,863	161,542	(1,086,360)
June	1,672,060	0	(993)	1,671,067	110,384,215	0.00117	129,150	1,541,917	455,557
July	812,243	0	575	812,818	134,080,709	0.00117	156,874	655,944	1,111,501
August	174,608	0	1,304	175,912	136,225,927	0.00117	159,384	16,528	1,128,029
September	(994,352)	0	917	(993,435)	129,962,111	0.00117	152,056	(1,145,491)	(17,462)
October	(1,025,850)	0	151	(1,025,699)	125,714,603	0.00117	147,086	(1,172,785)	(1,190,247)
November	(424,146)	0	(110)	(424,256)	105,753,782	0.00117	123,732	(547,988)	(1,738,235)
December	197,150	0	(30)	197,120	148,352,169	0.00117	173,572	23,548	(1,714,687)
January 2009	(322,677)	0	(75)	(322,752)	167,949,189	0.00117	196,501	(519,253)	(2,233,940)
	(\$2,517,985)	\$0	\$4,189	(\$2,513,796)	1,566,244,030		\$1,668,296	(\$4,182,092)	
Balance @ January 31, 2009									(\$2,233,940)

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
COMPUTATION OF (OVER) UNDER RECOVERY OF FUEL COSTS
APPLICABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA**

	<u>Kwh</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cost per Kwh</u>
FEBRUARY 2008			
Purchased power (net)	146,749,755	2,946,825	\$0.02008
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.00705
kWh billed			146,749,755
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,555,686
(Over) Under recovery			(\$521,010)
MARCH 2008			
Purchased power (net)	126,931,894	2,383,863	\$0.01878
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.00575
kWh billed			126,931,894
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,404,952
(Over) Under recovery			(\$675,012)
APRIL 2008			
Purchased power (net)	128,273,832	1,473,721	\$0.01149
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			(0.00154)
kWh billed			128,273,832
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,499,857
(Over) Under recovery			(\$1,697,544)
MAY 2008			
Purchased power (net)	105,865,844	2,816,446	\$0.02660
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.01357
kWh billed			105,865,844
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,150,469
(Over) Under recovery			\$286,545
JUNE 2008			
Purchased power (net)	110,384,215	4,102,207	\$0.03716
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.02413
kWh billed			110,384,215
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			991,840
(Over) Under recovery			\$1,672,060
JULY 2008			
Purchased power (net)	134,080,709	3,400,744	\$0.02536
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.01233
kWh billed			134,080,709
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			841,429
(Over) Under recovery			\$812,243

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
COMPUTATION OF (OVER) UNDER RECOVERY OF FUEL COSTS
APPLICABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA**

	<u>Kwh</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cost per Kwh</u>
AUGUST 2008			
Purchased power (net)	136,225,927	3,279,144	\$0.02407
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.01104
kWh billed			136,225,927
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,329,512
(Over) Under recovery			\$174,608
SEPTEMBER 2008			
Purchased power (net)	129,962,111	2,260,856	\$0.01740
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.00437
kWh billed			129,962,111
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,561,802
(Over) Under recovery			(\$994,352)
OCTOBER 2008			
Purchased power (net)	125,714,603	2,303,813	\$0.01833
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.00530
kWh billed			125,714,603
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,691,602
(Over) Under recovery			(\$1,025,850)
NOVEMBER 2008			
Purchased power (net)	105,753,782	2,469,915	\$0.02336
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.01033
kWh billed			105,753,782
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,516,089
(Over) Under recovery			(\$424,146)
DECEMBER 2008			
Purchased power (net)	148,352,169	3,847,662	\$0.02594
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.01291
kWh billed			148,352,169
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,717,484
(Over) Under recovery			\$197,150
JANUARY 2009			
Purchased power (net)	167,949,189	3,364,906	\$0.02004
Base cost of purchased power			0.01303
(Over) Under recovery per kWh			0.00701
kWh billed			167,949,189
Fuel Cost adjustment (FCA)			1,499,206
(Over) Under recovery			(\$322,677)

**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
March	1.003	0.053	0.01003
April	0.720	(0.283)	0.00720

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