



# MONTANA-DAKOTA

UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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July 22, 2009

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	\$0.01645
Base Cost/Kwh Included in Current Rates	<u>0.01303</u>
Total Billing Adjustment	\$0.00342

The net effect of this FCA is to decrease the rate by 0.006 cents per Kwh for service rendered in the month of August 2009. All of North Dakota's electric customers will be affected by this proposal. There were 75,053 electric customers in North Dakota as of June 30, 2009.

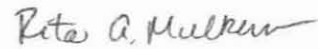
The decrease in the FCA for July is caused by the fact that the higher cost month of February, used in the July calculation, was replaced by the lower cost month of June.

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  
AUGUST 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT SUMMARY**

	<u>Amount</u>
Current cost per Kwh 1/	\$0.01809
Surcharge Adjustment	<u>(0.00164)</u>
Total Cost per Kwh	\$0.01645
Less: Base Cost 2/	<u>0.01303</u>
Total Fuel Cost Adjustment	<u><b>\$0.00342</b></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  
AUGUST 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT**

	2009				Total
	March	April	May	June	
Fuel & Purchased Power Costs					
Account 151 and Natural Gas Used for Generation	\$3,158,216	\$2,195,382	\$2,760,475	\$3,000,504	\$11,114,577
Account 555 (Excludes Demand) 1/	764,669	1,304,882	532,048	459,835	3,061,434
Total Energy Related Costs	\$3,922,885	\$3,500,264	\$3,292,523	\$3,460,339	\$14,176,011
Fuel Costs - Sales for Resale	41,367	417	186,993	197,468	426,245
Net System Costs	\$3,881,518	\$3,499,847	\$3,105,530	\$3,262,871	\$13,749,766
Kwh Retail Sales	219,324,838	198,455,184	164,360,132	177,812,512	759,952,666
Cost Per Kwh	\$0.01770	\$0.01764	\$0.01889	\$0.01835	\$0.01809

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**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.**  
**ACCOUNT 555**  
**AUGUST 2009 BILLING ADJUSTMENT**

Account No.	Account Description	2009			
		March	April	May	June
555.1	Purchased Power	\$0	\$0	\$1,786	\$952
555.111	Day-Ahead Asset Energy	\$1,210,003	\$1,770,089	\$448,737	(\$22,877)
555.114	Real-Time Asset Energy	(287,793)	(214,693)	(208,142)	(128,455)
555.117	Real-Time Excessive Energy	(2,497)	2,112	953	207
555.118	Real-Time Non-Excessive Energy	184,720	4,801	238,011	541,238
555.1211	Day-Ahead Asset Congestion	(132,046)	(191,480)	(79,734)	(35,289)
555.1215	Real-Time Asset Congestion	42,661	20,489	30,479	23,741
555.1219	Real-Time Non-Excessive Congestion	(58,143)	(50,803)	(26,739)	(117,149)
555.1221	Financial Transmission Rights Hourly Allocation	5,283	390	(3,144)	(39)
555.1223	Financial Transmission Rights Monthly Allocation	(178)	(595)	(292)	(1,800)
555.1225	Financial Transmission Rights Yearly Allocation	0	(1,423)	0	0
555.1226	Financial Transmission Rights Funding Guarantee Amt	(721)	987	(2,141)	2,476
555.1227	Financial Transmission Rights Guarantee Uplift Amt	1,418	(973)	2,875	(2,615)
555.1228	Financial Transmission Rights Monthly Transaction	0	0	0	(179)
555.1230	Revenue Rights Transaction	(13,163)	(928)	(11,051)	(38,014)
555.1231	Annual Transaction	14,254	14,254	14,254	0
555.1232	Revenue Rights Infeasible Uplift	0	0	0	2,642
555.1233	Revenue Rights Stage 2 Distribution	(42,187)	(40,975)	(41,581)	(55,355)
555.130	Real-Time Non-Excessive Loss	(15,935)	(18,619)	(37,696)	(61,843)
555.131	Day-Ahead Asset Loss	39,597	(54,854)	53,570	133,998
555.135	Real-Time Asset Loss	35,005	278,938	232,449	129,195
555.136	Real-Time Distribution of Loss	(51,079)	(78,865)	(34,215)	(59,843)
555.151	Day-Ahead Rev Suff Guarantee Distribution	9,465	6,621	4,804	5,970
555.153	Real-Time Miscellaneous	(37,159)	(7,809)	(31)	6,764
555.154	Real-Time Net Inadvertent Distribution	(14,382)	6,071	12,022	(4,060)
555.155	Real-Time Revenue Neutrality Uplift	(220,268)	(146,426)	(1,518)	28,902
555.156	R-T Rev Suff Guarantee First Pass Distribution	77,347	17,423	31,299	99,497
555.157	R-T Rev Suff Guarantee Make Whole Payment	(7,601)	(14,989)	(88,051)	(32)
555.158	Real-Time Uninstructed Deviation	(89)	0	0	0
555.159	Day Ahead Schedule 24	5,368	4,080	3,801	4,265
555.160	Real Time Schedule 24	602	374	502	457
555.162	Real Time Price Volume Make Whole Payment	(7,098)	(3,617)	(1,545)	(309)
555.1701	Day-Ahead Spinning Reserve Amount	(1,312)	(11,748)	(7,987)	(9,626)
555.1702	Day-Ahead Supplemental Reserve Amount	(235)	(2,543)	(1,884)	(2,427)
555.1711	Real-Time Excessive Deficient Energy Deployment	164	0	191	107
555.1714	Real-Time Spinning Reserve Amount	(1,922)	(11,131)	(20,882)	(6,325)
555.1715	Real-Time Supplemental Reserve Amount	(589)	125	307	(120)
555.1716	Real-Time Regulation Cost Distribution	22,698	19,244	14,383	15,250
555.1717	Real-Time Spinning Reserve Cost Distribution Amount	9,521	10,499	7,499	9,712
555.1718	Real-Time Supplemental Reserve Cost Distribution	960	856	759	819
	Total MISO Market Charges	\$764,669	\$1,304,882	\$530,262	\$458,883
	Total Account 555 Charges	\$764,669	\$1,304,882	\$532,048	\$459,835

**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
May	0.594	(0.126)	0.00594
June	0.389	(0.205)	0.00389
July	0.348	(0.041)	0.00348
August	0.342	(0.006)	0.00342

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