

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of
MDU Resources Group, Inc.
Northwest Communications Cooperative – Williams Cty
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-10-75

ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY

April 28, 2010

On March 29, 2010, 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 Northwest Communications Cooperative at a location in Williams County, North Dakota.

On March 31, 2010, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in this proceeding. The Notice provided if no objections were received by April 23, 2010, the application would be granted as requested. No objections have been received.

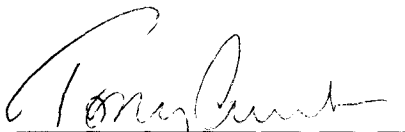
Order

The Commission orders:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., is issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5416 authorizing the provision of electric distribution service to Northwest Communications Cooperative at a point located in:

**Section 17, Township 159N, Range 102W,
Williams County, North Dakota**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



**Tony Clark
Commissioner**



**Kevin Cramer
Chairman**



**Brian P. Kalk
Commissioner**

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 5416

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 Northwest Communications Cooperative in Section 17, Township 159N, Range 102W, Williams County, North Dakota.

This certificate is issued in accordance with the Order of this Commission dated April 28, 2010 in Case No. PU-10-75, 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, April 28, 2010.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Executive Secretary


Commissioner