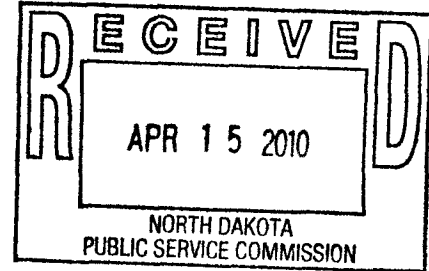


**MONTANA-DAKOTA**  
**UTILITIES CO.**  
A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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April 15, 2010

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



Re: Annual Reports

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith submits one copy of its Electric and Gas Annual Reports for the year ended December 31, 2009 consisting of:

North Dakota Electric and Gas Annual Reports  
North Dakota Electric and Gas Cost of Service Studies  
Report of Independent Public Accountants ✓  
2009 Annual Report to Stockholders

A copy of the FERC Form No. 1 is not available at this time. A copy will be sent shortly.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rita A. Mulkern".

Rita A. Mulkern  
Regulatory Analysis Manager

Enclosures

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**Report of Independent Public Accountants – Electric**

**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT  
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

**2009**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Managing Committee of  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.:

We have audited the calculations of the Cost of Gas Adjustment (COG) and Fuel Cost Adjustment (FCA) shown on the accompanying schedules and included in the monthly filings of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (the "Company"), a division of MDU Resources Group Inc., for the year ended December 31, 2009, based upon Chapters 69-09-01-30 and 69-09-02-39, respectively, of the North Dakota Administrative Code (the "Code") and Cost of Gas Rate 88 and Fuel Clause Rate 58 (the "Tariffs") filed by the Company with the North Dakota Public Service Commission (the "Commission"). These calculations of the COG and FCA are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the calculations of the COG and FCA based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards as established by the Auditing Standards Board (United States) and in accordance with the auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the calculations are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting as it relates to the calculations. Our audit included consideration of internal control over the calculations as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over the calculations. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts in the calculations, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the calculations. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying schedules were prepared for the purpose of complying with Chapters 69-09-01-30 and 69-09-02-39, respectively, of the Code and are not intended to be a complete presentation of the Company's revenues and expenses.

In our opinion, the accompanying schedules present fairly, in all material respects, the calculations of the COG and FCA for the year ended December 31, 2009 in accordance with the Code and Tariffs approved by the Commission.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Managing Committee of the Company and the North Dakota Public Service Commission and should not be used for any other purposes.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

April 7, 2010

SCHEDULE I

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.

**SCHEDULE OF 2009 AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE  
CALCULATIONS FOR THE COST OF GAS ADJUSTMENT**

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Effective for the Month of:	Adjustments per dekatherm		
	Residential and General Service	Small and Large Interruptible	Air Force Interruptible
January	\$0.979	\$0.962	\$0.958
February (1)	N/A	N/A	N/A
March	(1.219)	(1.216)	(1.211)
April	(0.516)	(0.521)	(0.518)
May	(0.407)	(0.418)	(0.417)
June	(0.213)	(0.221)	(0.220)
July	.0231	0.224	0.223
August	0.141	0.140	0.140
September	0.128	0.131	0.130
October	(0.512)	(0.513)	(0.510)
November	0.947	0.929	0.924
December (1)	N/A	N/A	N/A

(1) No COG filing was required for the indicated month pursuant to COG Rate 88, since the adjustment was less than \$0.10 per dekatherm.

**SCHEDULE II**

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.**

**SCHEDULE OF 2009 AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE  
CALCULATIONS FOR THE FUEL COST ADJUSTMENT**

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<b>Effective for the Month of:</b>	<b>Fuel Cost Adjustments per Kilowatt Hour</b>
January	.00887
February	.00950
March	.01003
April	.00720
May	.00594
June	.00389
July	.00348
August	.00342
September	.00362
October	.00403
November	.00359
December	.00368