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Executive Secretary
ND Public Service Commission
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Bismarck, ND 58505

Re: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s Application
for a Corridor Certificate and a Route
Permit for a 230 kV transmission line in
Dickey and McIntosh counties, North
Dakota - Case No. PU-10-164

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (Montana-Dakota) submits this Application for a Corridor Certificate and Route Permit for a 230 kV Transmission Line and an Application for a Waiver of Procedures and Time Schedules pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 49-22-08, 49-22-08.1 and 49-22-07.2, under the Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting Act, and promulgated rules.

An original and ten copies of this Application for a Corridor Certificate and Route Permit for a 230 kV transmission line and an Application for a Waiver of Procedures and Time Schedules has been delivered to the Commission on this date.

Please refer all inquiries regarding this filing to:

Mr. Henry Ford
Electric Transmission Engineering Manager
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
400 North Fourth Street
Bismarck, ND 58501

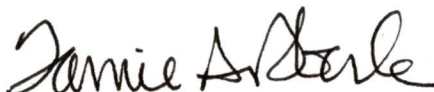
Also, please send copies of all written inquiries, correspondence and pleadings to:

Mr. Daniel S. Kuntz
Associate General Counsel
MDU Resources Group, Inc.
P.O. Box 5650
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A check payable to the North Dakota Public Service Commission in the amount of \$92,500 is enclosed based on the Commission's standard for establishing the filing fee required here at \$5,000 per \$1 million investment. This represents an increase over the filing fee set by the Commission on June 2, 2010 pursuant to Montana-Dakota's Letter of Intent filed on May 19, 2010 in this case as the new interconnecting substation was inadvertently omitted from the project cost estimate underlying the Commission's original assessment.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact me at 701-222-7856.

Sincerely,



Tamie A. Aberle
Pricing & Tariff Manager

Enclosure

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