

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Newfield Exploration – Williams County  
Public Convenience & Necessity**

**Case No. PU-11-48**

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED & REGULAR MAIL**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

**Cara DeSaye** deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of **April, 2011**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

**Order Granting Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity**

and an original of:

**Certificate Number 5437**

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Tamie Aberle  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
400 North Fourth Street  
Bismarck ND 58501

**Cert. No. 7009 2820 0002 9238 4710**

**Cara DeSaye** further deposes and says that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of **April, 2011**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **three** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Dale Haugen  
Manager  
Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative  
Box 1346  
218 58<sup>th</sup> St. W  
Williston ND 58802-1346

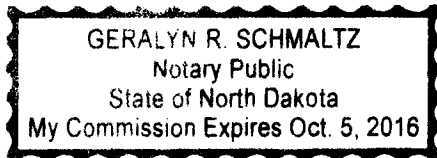
Chad Norpel  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
220 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. E.  
PO Box 1406  
Williston ND 58802-1406

ND Association of RECs  
PO Box 727  
Mandan ND 58554-0727

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of **April, 2011**.

SEAL



*Carla DeLorge*  
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*Geraldine R. Schmalz*  
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Notary Public

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**ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY**

**April 6, 2011**

On February 7, 2011, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., an electric public utility, filed an application under Chapter 49-03, N.D.C.C. to extend service to Newfield Exploration at a location in Williams County, North Dakota.

On February 23, 2011, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in this proceeding. The Notice provided if no objections were received by March 28, 2011, the application would be granted as requested. No objections have been received.

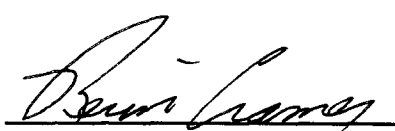
**Order**

The Commission orders:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. is issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5437 authorizing the provision of electric distribution service to Newfield Exploration at a point located in:

**The NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 17, Twp 159 N, R 102 W, Williams County, North Dakota.**

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



**Kevin Cramer**  
Commissioner



**Tony Clark**  
Chairman



**Brian P. Kalk**  
Commissioner

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

**Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity**

**Certificate Number 5437**

*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 Newfield Exploration in the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 17, Township 159N, Range 102W, Williams County, North Dakota.*

*This certificate is issued in accordance with the Order of this Commission dated April 6, 2011 in Case No. PU-11-48, 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 6, 2011.*

**ATTEST:**

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
**Executive Secretary**

  
**Commissioner**