

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU
Resources Group, Inc.
88 MW Simple Cycle Combustion Turbine
Siting Application**

Case No. PU-11-631

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF HEARING

October 10, 2012

On November 9, 2011, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., filed an application for a certificate of site compatibility to authorize construction of an 88 MW natural gas fired simple cycle combustion turbine generator to be located adjacent to the existing Heskett Generating Plant in Morton County, North Dakota as shown on the attached map.

A Public Hearing on the application is scheduled to begin on **December 4, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. CST at the City Commission Meeting Room, 205 2nd Ave NW, Mandan, ND 58554.** The issues to be considered are:

1. Will the location, construction, and operation of the proposed facilities produce minimal adverse effects on the environment and upon the welfare of the citizens of North Dakota?
2. Are the proposed facilities compatible with the environmental preservation and the efficient use of resources?
3. Will the proposed facility locations minimize adverse human and environmental impact while ensuring continuing system reliability and integrity and ensuring that energy needs are met and fulfilled in an orderly and timely fashion?

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or braille materials please notify the Commission, at least 24 hours in advance.

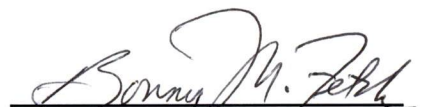
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