

March 20, 2014

Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Heskett 88 MW Simple Cycle Combustion
Turbine & Natural Gas Pipeline –
Case Nos. PU-11- 631 and PU-11-680

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith submits an original and two copies of its Revised Attachment A for the Tree and Shrub Mitigation Plan in compliance with the Tree and Shrub Mitigation Specifications attached and part of the Commission's Orders in Case Nos. PU-11-631 and PU-11-680 issued on December 21, 2012 and August 21, 2013 respectively.

The revised attachment now identifies the plantings as trees or shrubs that were removed and are being replanted. As noted in the original proposed Tree and Shrub Mitigation Plan filed on February 25, 2014, the Morton County Soil Conservation District will determine a suitable replacement if a species of plant needs to be modified. Several tree/shrub choices by land owner have changed from the submission on February 25 either due to landowner choice or availability of plants. The changes are reflected on the Revised Attachment A.

In summary, 329 trees and 616 shrubs were removed with to be replaced with 762 trees and 1,378 shrubs.

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,



Tamie A. Aberle
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

- 69 PU-11-680 Filed 03/20/2014 Pages: 4
Revised Attachment A to tree mitigation plan
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.
Tamie Aberle, Director Reg. Affairs
- 73 PU-11-631 Filed 03/20/2014 Pages: 4
Revised Attachment A to tree mitigation plan
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.
Tamie Aberle, Director Reg. Affairs

MDU Co. Heskett CT & Pipeline Tree Mitigation Plan

Landowner Case No. PU-11-680 & Case No. PU-11-631

Kuhn	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Green Ash	37	74				X	
Bur Oak	23	46				X	
Juneberry	30	60					X
Silver Buffaloberry	16	32					X
Total	106	212					

Shrub to small tree

Plant Trees where removed

Seeman	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Red Pine	1					X	
Ponderosa Pine		2				X	

Plant @ Farmstead at 4647 24th Ave

Kary	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Bur Oak	15					X	
Green Ash	42					X	
Juneberry	4						X
Common Buckthorn	2						X
Golden Current		83					X
Rocky Mt. Juniper		42				X	
Silver Buffaloberry		83					X
Total	63	208					

Shrub to small tree

Shrub to small tree

Plant Trees where removed

Schock	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Green Ash	10	22				X	
Bur Oak	3	66				X	
Juneberry	8						X
Silver Buffaloberry	23						X
Total	44	88					

Shrub to small tree

Plant Trees at location identified by owner

Marmot	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Green Ash	1	2				X	

Plant Trees where removed

Plummer	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Bur Oak	9	18				X	
Silver Buffaloberry	21	100					X
Redosier Dogwood	9	100					X
Total	39	218					

Shrub to small tree

Plant Bur Oak where trees removed. Plant Trees at location identified by owner

Vogel	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub	
Green Ash	2	70				X		
Juneberry	75						X	
Silver Buffaloberry	244						X	Shrub to small tree
Box Elder	8					X		
Round Leaf Hawthorn	2						X	Shrub to small tree
Golden Current		178					X	
BH Spruce		30				X		
CO Blue Spruce		22				X		
Siberian Crabapple		77				X		
Cranberry		172				X		
Schubert Chokecherry		115					X	Shrub to small tree
Total	331	664						

Plant Trees at location identified by owner

Norton	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub	
Common Buckthorn	25						X	Shrub to small tree
Round Leaf Hawthorn	67						X	Shrub to small tree
Silver Buffaloberry		42					X	Shrub to small tree
Redosier Dogwood		63					X	
Silverberry		63					X	
Nannyberry		42					X	Shrub to small tree
Total	92	210						

Plant Trees at location identified by owner

Heskett	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub	
Chinese Elm	18					X		
Russian Olive	6					X		
Silver Buffaloberry	12	108					X	Shrub to small tree
Common Buckthorn	12						X	Shrub to small tree
Redosier Dogwood		120					X	
CO Blue Spruce		54				X		
Schubert Chokecherry		108					X	Shrub to small tree
Round Leaf Hawthorn		81					X	Shrub to small tree
Juniper	18	65				X		
Total	66	536						

Trees from Landowners Irwin, Trauger and Mitzel added to trees removed from plant site

Irwin	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub	
Green Ash	33					X		
Chinese Elm	8					X		
Russian Olive	2					X		
Total	43							

Landowner does not want trees replanted. Replacement trees planted at Heskett Station

Trauger	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub	
Green Ash	39					X		
Silver Buffaloberry	23						X	Shrub to small tree
Common Buckthorn	11						X	Shrub to small tree
Eastern Cottonwood	34					X		
Box Elder	19					X		
American Elm	1					X		
Total	127							

Landowner does not want trees replanted. Replacement trees planted at Heskett Station

Mitzel	Removed	Replanted	1st yr survival	2nd yr survival	3rd yr survival	Tree	Shrub
Silver Buffaloberry	12						X
Common Buckthorn	<u>20</u>						X
Total	32						

Shrub to small tree

Landowner does not want trees replanted. Replacement trees planted at Heskett Station

Trees Removed	329
Shrubs Removed	<u>616</u>
Total	945
Trees Replanted	762
Shrubs Replanted	<u>1378</u>
Total	2140