

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU
Resources Group, Inc.
Knife River- McKenzie County
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-12-548

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 **28th** day of **September, 2012**, 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

an original of:

Certificate Number 5486

The envelope was addressed as follows:

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

Cert. No. 7011 3500 0003 4574 6107

Cara DeSaye further deposes and says that on the **28th** day of **September, 2012**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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

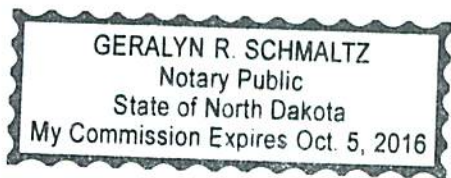
John Skurupey
McKenzie Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Box 649
Watford City ND 58854

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 28th day of **September, 2012.**

SEAL



Cara Delaney
Gerald R. Schmalz
Notary Public

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ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY

September 27, 2012

On August 1, 2012, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., an electric public utility, filed an application under Chapter 49-03, N.D.C.C. to extend service to Knife River at a location in McKenzie County, North Dakota.

On August 29, 2012, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in this proceeding. The Notice provided if no objections were received by September 26, 2012, 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. 5486 authorizing the provision of electric distribution service to Knife River at a point located in:

Section 23, Twp. 150N, R 99W, McKenzie County, North Dakota.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



**Kevin Cramer
Commissioner**



**Brian P. Kalk
Chairman**



**Bonny M. Fetch
Commissioner**

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 5486

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 Knife River in Section 23, Township 150N, Range 99W, McKenzie County, North Dakota.

This certificate is issued in accordance with the Order of this Commission dated September 27, 2012 in Case No. PU-12-548, 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, September 27, 2012.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Executive Secretary


Commissioner