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4 October 2013

Mr. Allen C. Hoberg
Office of Administrative Hearings
1707 North 9th Street, Lower Level
Bismarck, ND 58501

Re: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Natural Gas Service Rate Increase Application
Case No. PU-13-803

Dear Mr. Hoberg:

Enclosed is a request for an Administrative Law Judge in the captioned case. The case is in its early stages and a Notice of Hearing has not yet been issued. We will forward the Notice of Hearing to your office as soon as a hearing date has been established.

The Administrative Law Judge will serve as a procedural law judge and the hearing will be electronically recorded.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

Best regards,

Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco
General Counsel

enclosure
c: w/encl. Tamie Aberle

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
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AGENCY	Address	Telephone Number
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Representation Tamie Aberle	Address MDU Resources Group, Inc. P.O. Box 5650 1200 West Century Avenue Bismarck, ND 58506-5650	Telephone Number 701-222-7856
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REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE--APPEAL, APPLICATION, OR PETITION
 NORTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
 SFN 17819 (Rev. 06-2007)

Name of Agency, Board, or Commission
 North Dakota Public Service Commission

The above named agency, board, or commission requests designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings for the Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. Natural Gas Service Rate Increase Application PSC Case No. PU-13-803

(e.g., application of [name], appeal of [name], petition of [name]). Authority for the administrative action is found in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-05 _____ (North Dakota Century Code and/or North Dakota Administrative Code).

Please attach related documents and correspondence.

The administrative action is more fully described as follows:
 On Sept. 18, 2013 MDU filed an application to increase natural gas service rates

It requests designation of an administrative law judge (please check one):

- To conduct the hearing and issue recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.
- To serve as a procedural administrative law judge only (no recommended decision). The agency head will be present at the hearing as required by NDCC 28-32-31(5). See NDCC 54-57-04.
- To conduct the hearing, issue findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a final order.

PLEASE MAKE A REQUEST FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THE HEARING.

Please list parties, including the agency if it is a Party, and Representation [attorney (or other)] if known, or Agency Contact: (Attach separate list if necessary.)

AGENCY See attached	Address	Telephone Number
Representation	Address	Telephone Number
PARTY	Address	Telephone Number
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Additional Comments
 This case is in its early stages and a Notice of Hearing has not yet been issued.

(For agencies required to use OAH, notice of hearing will be issued by the administrative law judge, unless a procedural administrative law judge is requested. Other requesting agencies and agencies requesting a procedural administrative law judge should first contact OAH about scheduling a hearing. If notice has already been issued, attach a copy of the notice.)

Typed or Printed Name and Title of Requesting Person Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco, General Counsel	Date 10/4/2013
Signature of Requesting Person X	Telephone Number (701) 328-2407