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**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.  
MENARD INC. – BURLEIGH COUNTY, ND  
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY**

Please find enclosed for filing in the above named matter a Protest. I have included one original and eight copies (seven copies for the PSC and a courtesy copy). Once said Protest is filed, please provide to our office a file stamped copy.

Thank you and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Carol K. Larson

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Enclosures

cc: Ordean "Lars" Nygren – Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
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**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU  
Resources Group, Inc.  
Menard Inc. – Burleigh County, ND  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-13-871

**PROTEST**

**January 15, 2014**

Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc., hereby protests the application of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to extend electric service to Menard, Inc. for a commercial site near McKenzie, North Dakota; which application was filed on November 25, 2013. Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc., further requests the PSC to hold a hearing and authorize discovery in this matter pending a hearing.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

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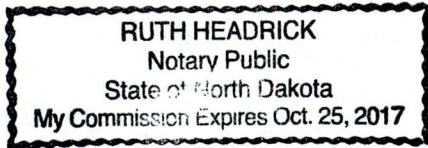
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That the above provisions were duly mailed in accordance with the provisions of the North Dakota Rules of Civil Procedure.

LaRae A Thomas  
LaRae A. Thomas

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014.



Ruth Headrick  
Notary Public  
For the State of North Dakota