

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

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 4th day of **March, 2014**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

Notice of Hearing

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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

Ordean Lars Nygren
Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc.
4111 State St.
PO Box 730
Bismarck ND 58502-0730

Cert. No. 7013 2630 0001 2317 0682

Cert. No. 7013 2630 0001 2317 0699

Cara DeSaye further deposes and says that on the 4th day of **March, 2014**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

The envelope was addressed as follows:

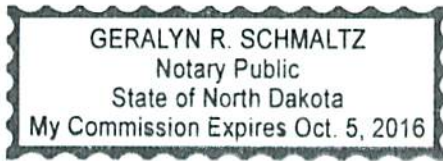
ND Association of RECs
PO Box 727
Mandan ND 58554-0727

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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 4th day of **March, 2014**.

SEAL



Cara DeJoy

Gerald R. Schmaltz
Notary Public

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**NOTICE OF HEARING
February 26, 2014**

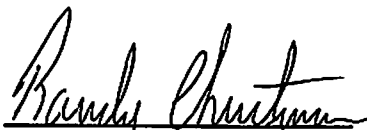
On November 25, 2013, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., filed an application to extend electric service to Menard, Inc. at a location in Section 33, T 139N, R 77W, Burleigh County, North Dakota. On January 16, 2014, a Protest and request for hearing was received from Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Please take notice that a public hearing on these matters will be held **Friday, May 2, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. CDT, in the Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.** The issues to be considered are:

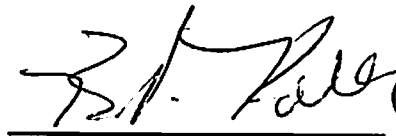
1. From whom do the customers prefer electric service?
2. What electric suppliers are operating in the general area?
3. What electric supply lines exist within at least a two-mile radius of the location to be served, and when were they constructed?
4. What customers are served by electric suppliers within at least a two-mile radius of the location to be served?
5. What are the differences, if any, between the electric suppliers available to serve the area with respect to reliability of service?
6. Which of the available electric suppliers will be able to serve the location in question more economically and still earn an adequate return on its investment?
7. Which supplier's extended electric service would best serve orderly and economic development of electric service in the general area?
8. Would approval of the applications result in wasteful duplication of investment or service?
9. Is it probable that the location in question will be included within the corporate limits of a municipality within the foreseeable future?
10. Will service by either of the electric supplier in the area unreasonably interfere with the service or system of the other?

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 Gloria Geiger, Interim Secretary, at least 24 hours in advance.

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