

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU
Resources Group, Inc.
BNSF Railway Company – Burleigh County
Public Convenience & Necessity**

Case No. PU-14-830

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED & REGULAR MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **19th day of August, 2016**, 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 On Certificate Of Public Convenience & Necessity

And Original Of:

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Certificate Number 5892

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Tamie Aberle
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
400 North Fourth Street
Bismarck ND 58501
Cert. No. 7016 0600 0000 4633 7706

Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **19th day of August, 2016**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **four** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Matthew H. Olson
Attorney for Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Pringle & Herigstad, P.C.
2525 Elk Drive
P O Box 1000
Minot, ND 58702

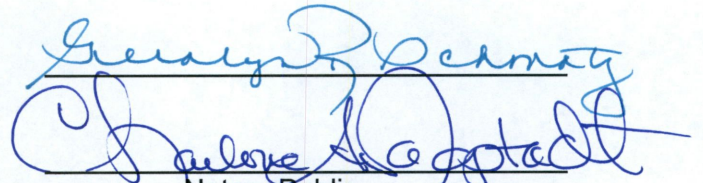
Craig Lohstreter
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
400 North Fourth Street
Bismarck ND 58501

Odean "Lars" Nygren
Manager, Capitol Electric Cooperative, Inc.
4111 State St.
Box 730
Bismarck, ND 58502-0730

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

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **19th day of August, 2016.**


Notary Public

SEAL



**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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

Case No. PU-14-830

ORDER ON CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE & NECESSITY

August 17, 2016

On December 5, 2014, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU), an electric public utility, filed an application under Chapter 49-03, N.D.C.C. to extend service to BNSF Railway Company at a location in Burleigh County, North Dakota.

On December 19, 2014, MDU filed its Application for Permanent Authority. MDU stated it was willing to delay a Commission decision until an appeal pending in Case No. PU-13-871 was resolved.

On December 10 & 30, 2014 Capital Electric Cooperative Inc. (Capital Electric) filed a protest to MDU's Application. Capital Electric stated it too was willing to delay a Commission decision until the appeal pending in Case No. PU-13-871 was resolved.

On January 7, 2015, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. The Notice provided that if no objections were received by January 28, 2015, the application may be granted as requested.

On June 19, 2016 Capital Electric filed a Notice of Withdrawal of its Objection and Protest.


Order

The Commission orders:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., is issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 5892 authorizing the provision of electric distribution service to Seth Forster at a point located in:

The NW ¼ of Section 4, T139N, R92W, Burleigh County, North Dakota.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Randy Christmann
Commissioner


Julie Fedorchak
Chairman


Brian P. Kalk
Commissioner

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 5892

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 BNSF Railway Company in the NW 1/4 of Section 4, Township 139N, Range 92W, Burleigh County, North Dakota.

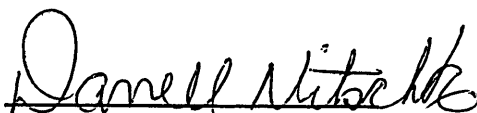
This certificate is issued in accordance with the Order of this Commission dated August 17, 2016 in Case No. PU-14-830, and is subject to the conditions and limitations noted in the Order.

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, August 17, 2016.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Executive Secretary


Commissioner