



UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Case No. PU-15-8
Request to Withdraw Application for
Trade Secret Protection

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith requests to withdraw its Application for Trade Secret Protection submitted on October 21, 2015 in Case No. PU-15-8. The Application for Trade Secret Protection was submitted in order to protect confidential pricing information relating to Montana-Dakota's natural gas purchase practices submitted in response to a Commission Staff request regarding the Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment.

Subsequent to filing the request for Trade Secret Protection on October 21, 2015, Montana-Dakota and Commission Staff agreed the document supporting the Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment and the Application for Trade Secret Protection should be amended. An Application for Trade Secret Protection was submitted on December 8, 2015 in Case No. PU-16-008, and the Commission approved that request on March 23, 2016. Therefore, the Company requests to withdraw its Application submitted on October 21, 2015 and requests that the material for which Trade Secret Protection was requested be destroyed.

Please contact me at 701.222.7856 or tamie.aberle@mdu.com if you have any questions regarding this request. Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of this letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Tamie A. Aberle'.

Tamie A. Aberle
Director of Regulatory Affairs