

Memo

To: Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary
From: Victor Schock vfs
Date: April 9, 2015
Re: Montana-Dakota Utilities' Interim Natural Gas Service Rate Increase (PU-15-90)

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed for a natural gas rate increase on February 6, 2015. The Company used a 2015 projected test year to calculate its interim rate relief request of \$4.3 million in increased revenue collections or an overall increase in revenue collections of 3.4% or an average increase per month for residential customers of \$2.40.

On March 4, 2015 staff filed a memo stating that MDU's request was in compliance with the laws and rules governing interim rate increases and that the interim increase should be approved. On March 11, 2015 the commission approved the interim rate increase request.

MDU filed a set of updated compliance tariffs on April 6, 2015 reflecting the lower settlement amount.

Staff has reviewed the compliance tariffs noting no exceptions and recommends approval.