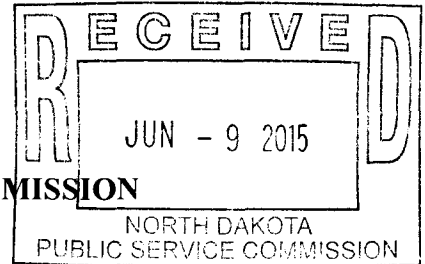


BEFORE THE
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OF MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC.)
NATURAL GAS SERVICE RATE INCREASE)
APPLICATION)

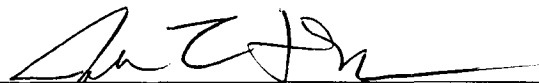
Case No. PU-15-090

June 1, 2015

Attached please find the Federal Executive Agencies (FEA) Petition to Intervene for filing in the above-referenced proceeding.

Subject to approval of intervention; FEA will file a motion for admission Pro Hac Vice to allow FEA attorneys to practice before the commission in the above reference matter.

Copies have been served to all parties on the attached Certificate of Service. Please place this document on file.




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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by
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In The Matter of the Application of)
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., a)
Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.,) **Case No. PU-15-090**
for Authority to Establish Increased)
Rates for Natural Gas Service)

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF FEA

Comes Now FEA (Federal Executive Agencies), pursuant to Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure 69-02-02-05, respectfully petitions for intervention as an intervenor party in the above-captioned matter. In support of this petition, FEA states and alleges as follows:

1. FEA consists of certain agencies of the United States Government which have offices, facilities, and/or installations in the service area of Montana-Dakota Utilities (MDU), which has filed a general rate case. Chief among the Federal customers served by MDU is Minot Air Force Base (AFB). Minot AFB is a major consumer of gas purchased from MDU and an increase in rates could affect the ability of Minot AFB to operate many of its loads to the fullest extent possible, and thereby affect the military mission of Minot AFB. The Department of Defense has been delegated authority by the General Services Administration to represent, through Department of the Air Force counsel, the consumer interest of the FEA in this proceeding under 40 U.S.C. 121(d) and 501(c) [these sections supersede 40 U.S.C 481(a)(4) and 486(d)].

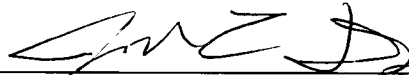
2. FEA intends to address the reasonableness of MDU's filed class cost of service study and proposed revenue requirement study. FEA continues to examine the public filings and preserves the right to be heard on additional issues that may arise in this matter. Gas costs represent one of the largest variable expenses of operating the Federal offices, facilities, and

installations on whose behalf intervention is sought herein, and all will be significantly affected by an increase in rates. For the aforementioned reasons, we submit that FEA have a substantial interest in the proceedings in this Docket which no other party can adequately represent.

3. FEA believes that intervention and participation in this proceeding would serve the interests of Minot AFB and other federal agencies receiving service from MDU. FEA's intervention would not unduly delay the proceedings nor would it prejudice the rights of other parties.

WHEREFORE, FEA respectfully request that the Commission grant its Petition to Intervene, entitling it to fully participate in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of June, 2015.


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