

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU
Resources Group, Inc.
Environmental Cost Recovery Rider
Tariff and Rates

Case No. PU-15-143

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

April 29, 2015

On April 10, 2015, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed a request to revise its Environmental Cost Recovery Rider tariff and rates. The tariff currently provides for an adjustment of rates to recover capital costs and operating expenses incurred to comply with federal mandates for environmental upgrades to its electric generation plants. In this filing, MDU requests that it also be allowed to recover reagent expenses associated with its new emission control equipment being installed at the Big Stone and Coyote generating stations to begin on July 1, 2015, when costs are determinable. MDU requests to reduce its current Environmental Cost Recovery Rider, as follows:

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Residential / Small General Service	\$0.00463 /Kwh	\$0.00396 /Kwh	\$0.00067 /Kwh
Large General Service	\$0.00386 /Kwh	\$0.00323 /Kwh	\$0.00063 /Kwh
Lighting Service	\$0.00280 /Kwh	\$0.00255 /Kwh	\$0.00025 /Kwh

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are whether the proposed rate adjustment complies with the existing tariff and whether the new proposed tariff allowing reagents and emission allowances are reasonable and prudent.

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by May 30, 2015.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

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, Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary, 24 hours in advance.

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