

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of
MDU Resources Group, Inc.
2015 Transmission Facility Cost Recovery
Rates

Case No. PU-15-747

NOTICE OF FILING AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

December 16, 2015

On November 25, 2015, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU) filed an annual update to its transmission cost recovery rider. This proposed rate change includes updated electric transmission expenses with offsetting revenues and a true-up amount from the current rate:

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Change</u>
Residential & Small General	\$0.00125/kWh	\$0.00332	\$0.00207) /kWh
Large General	\$0.00104/kWh	\$0.00104	\$0.00192 /kWh
Lighting	\$0.00079/kWh	\$0.00079	\$0.00138 /kWh

The effect on a typical bill for a residential customer without electric space heating using 894 kWh per month would be an increase of \$1.85 per month. The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. Whether the proposed rate adjustment complies with MDU's tariff,
2. Whether the incurred costs are reasonable and prudent, and
3. Whether the incurred costs are eligible for recovery through the transmission cost recovery rider.

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 January 26, 2016.** 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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