



UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

400 North Fourth Street
Bismarck, ND 58501
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June 27, 2016

Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol – Department 408
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Case No. PU-16-287
Application for Permanent Authority to
Extend Service to Todd Whitney at
Richardton, North Dakota

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith respectfully submits an original and one copy of an Application for Permanent Authority to extend electric service to Todd Whitney at a location in the NW ¼ of Section 4, Township 139N, Range 92W, Stark County, North Dakota.

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

Enclosures

cc/enc. Roughrider Electric Cooperative
Regan Brilz – Dickinson Office

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

In the Matter of the Application)
of MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.,)
a Division of MDU Resources Group,)
Inc., for an Order and Certificate to)
Extend Service to Todd Whitney)
at Richardton, North Dakota)

Case No. PU-16-287

APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT AUTHORITY

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., for its Application to the Public Service Commission of North Dakota, respectfully alleges:

I.

The full name of Applicant is Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., and the post office address of its principal office is 400 North Fourth Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501. Applicant is a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of and regulation by the Public Service Commission of North Dakota, under Title 49, N.D.C.C., as amended. MDU Resources Group, Inc.'s Certificate of Incorporation is incorporated herein by reference, and the Commission is requested to take official notice of the same.

II.

This Application is made pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 49-03, N.D.C.C., as amended, and the Rules of Practice and Procedure promulgated by the Commission.

III.

Application has been requested by Todd Whitney, hereinafter referred to as "Customer," to provide electric service to him at a point located in the NW ¼ of Section 4,

Township 139N, Range 92W, Stark County, North Dakota as shown on the map attached hereto, marked Exhibit A, and made a part hereof by reference. Customer will need electric service in July 2016. Correspondence to the Customer should be directed to:

Todd Whitney
3650 SW 88th Ave.
Richardton, ND 58652

IV.

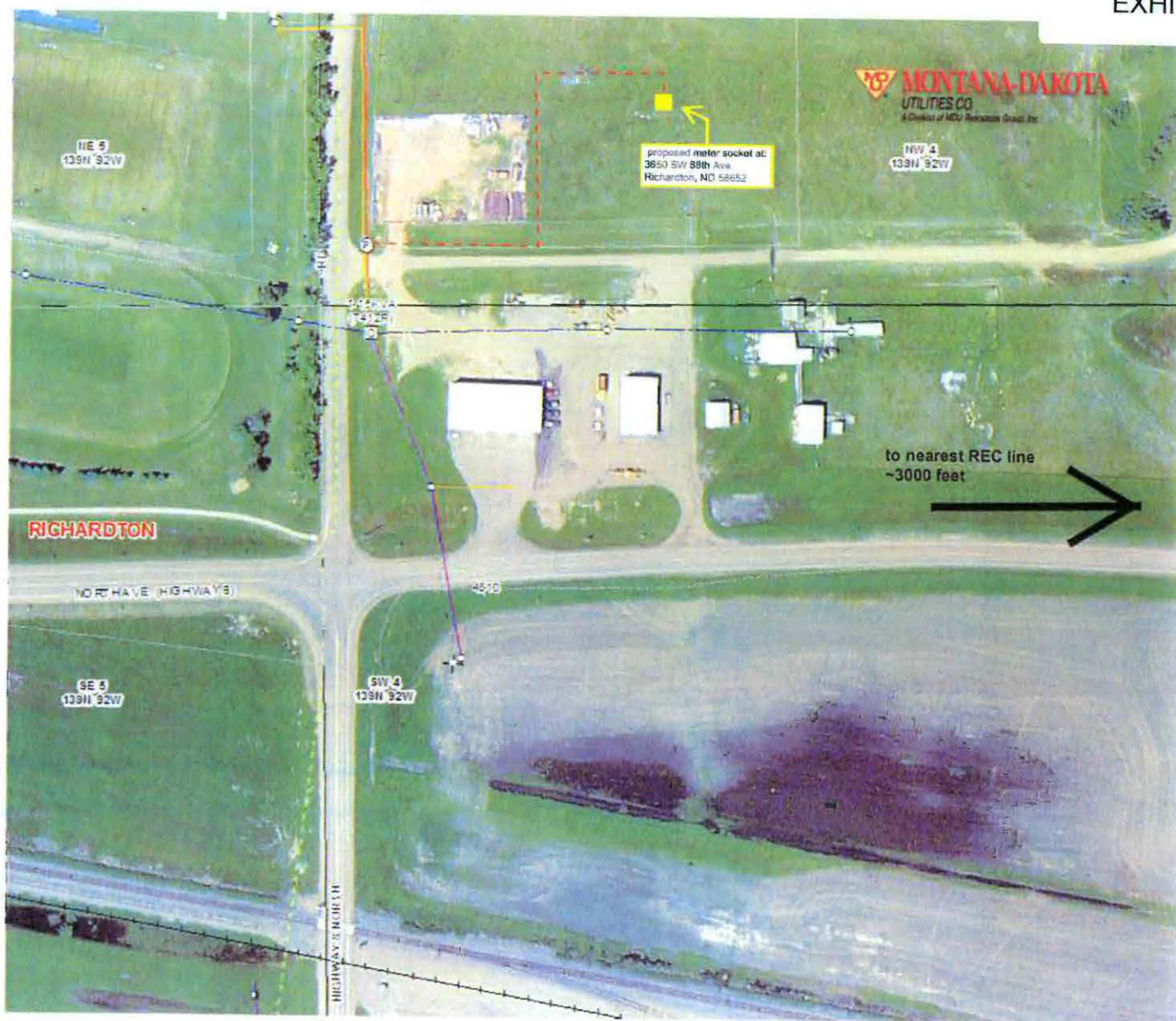
The service required by Customer at said location is single phase underground service, and the length of the extension will be approximately 375 feet, as shown by Exhibit A. The location of the proposed service is within the economic service area of Applicant and service will be extended under the provisions of the rules and regulations applicable thereto. It is Applicant's public utility obligation to furnish the requested service, and the public convenience and necessity requires, and will be served by, Applicant furnishing the requested service to this Customer at said location. The Temporary Authority Permit is attached as Exhibit B.

V.

Submitted as Exhibit C with this Application is an Appearance by Customer herein, in which Customer states to the Commission that he desires electric service from Applicant as a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of, and regulation by, this Commission. In said Appearance, Customer also waives Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and Notice of Hearing upon this Application, or a hearing thereon, and requests the Commission to issue an Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing this requested and needed service.

VI.

The extension will not cross any railroad tracks.





TEMPORARY AUTHORITY PERMIT
 NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
 PUBLIC UTILITIES
 SFN 50560 (6-96)

Date 6/7/2016	Time 2:00 <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> p.m.	Name of Utility Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	Telephone Number 701-456-7123
Name of Person Calling Regan Brilz		Name of Coop Serving Roughrider Electric	
Name of Customer Todd Whitney	Location Sec 4-NW Twp 139N R 92W		
Address 3650 SW 88th Ave.		County Stark	
City Richardton		State ND	Zip Code 58652
Name of Nearest City Richardton		Distance to the City 250 feet	
When will service be extended? 7/1/2016	Type of Service <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Storage <input type="checkbox"/> Grain Bin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <small>Bee Operation Storage</small>		
Extension Length to Most Economical Point of Service Utility: 375 feet Coop: Approx. 3000 feet	Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underground		
Has customer signed request for service? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Will cooperative protest application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Name of Person Contacted (PSC Use) <i>Leonard Hibel-Roughrider Elec. Coop., Inc</i>	Date of Contact (PSC Use) <i>via e-mail 06/10/2016</i>	Time (PSC Use) <i>10:34</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.
Estimated Cost of Extension \$1,600	Estimated Revenue \$800		
Under what rate filed with the Public Service Commission will customer be served? ND Electric Rate 20			
Will extension cross over coop lines? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Will extension cross over railroad tracks? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Temporary Authority Authorized By <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter	Date Authorized <i>June 15, 2016</i>		
Authorized By (Name of Commissioner) 			

Extension must be made from most economical point of service.

Comments:
 Todd Whitney has requested MDU to serve a meter to power his bee operation equipment and storage area. His property is located approximately 250 feet from Richardton, ND city limits. We are planning to tap an existing underground electric line to extend to the property. Leonard Hibel with Roughrider Electric agreed not to protest this application.

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APPEARANCE BY CUSTOMER

Todd Whitney 3650 SW 88th Ave, Richardton, ND 58652

hereinafter referred to as "Customer", hereby makes a voluntary appearance in this matter and states the following to the Commission:

I.

That he (it) desires electric service from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. as a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of, and regulation by, this Commission, and has requested said public utility to provide him (it) with immediate electric service at the point located as stated in the Application herein.


That customer further states that he (it) is in need of and has demanded immediate service at said location for the reasons set forth in the Application herein. Customer waives notice of opportunity for hearing and notice of hearing upon said Application, or a hearing thereon, and requests the Commission to issue an Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing this requested and needed service, and that provisions be made therein authorizing extension of immediate service.

II.

That all the allegations of the Application herein are true and correct.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned, being the Customer involved herein, requests the entry of an Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by the Commission, authorizing the Applicant to immediately extend the requested and needed service to Customer at said location, subject to such appropriate and proper conditions to be appended to and made a part of such Temporary Order and Certificate as the Commission may determine, said Temporary Order and Certificate to become final as may be set forth in the conditions appended thereto; and for such other and further relief as may be proper in the premises.

Dated: 5-24-16



(Customer)