

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Case No. PU-18-380

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

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- **Order**

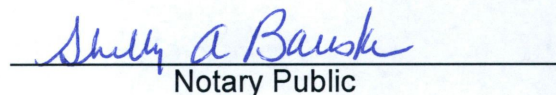
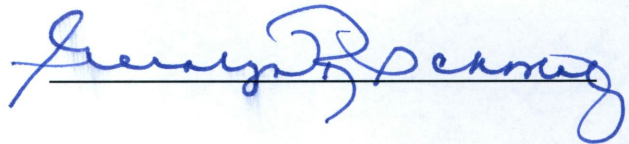
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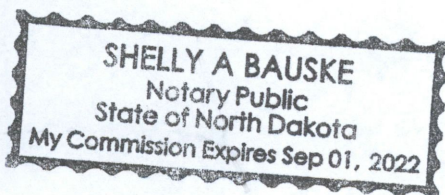
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **28th day of February 2019**.



Notary Public

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February 26, 2018

On November 2, 2018, MDU filed an application for approval of an annual update to its Generation Resource Cost Recovery Rider Rate 56 (GRRR).

On November 20, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing that provided until January 23, 2019 for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received.

The notice identified the issues to be considered in these proceedings are:

1. Are the proposed tariff revisions just and reasonable?
2. Do the proposed rates comply with the tariff?
3. Are the proposed rates just and reasonable?

Also on November 20, 2018, MDU filed clarifying tariff regarding the applicability of rate riders to contracted rate customers.

On February 13, 2019, the Commission discussed the matter with MDU during an Informal Hearing.

Discussion

The rate change to the GRRR filed in Case No. PU-18-380 includes updated expenses and a true-up amount related to MDU's Lewis & Clark RICE units.

MDU states the effect of the proposed GRRR on a typical bill for a residential customer without electric space heating using 894 kWh per month would be a decrease of \$0.36 per month, based on the following proposed GRRR rates:

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Change</u>
Residential & Small General	\$0.00251/kWh	\$0.00187/kWh	(\$0.00064) /kWh
Large General	\$0.72702/kW	\$0.55642/kW	(\$0..17060) /KW
Space Heating	\$0.40665/kW	\$0.25220/kW	(\$0.15445) /KW
Lighting	\$0.00097/kWh	\$0.00087/kWh	(\$0.00010) /kWh

The Commission finds the revised tariff language and the proposed rate changes reasonable and appropriate.

Order

The Commission orders the proposed revisions to MDU's electric tariff are APPROVED.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

		
Julie Fedorchak Commissioner	Brian Kroshus Chairman	Randy Christmann Commissioner