

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Applied Block Chain Office – Dickey County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-22-366

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Applied Block Chain Data Processing Extension
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-22-370

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Amy Haugen deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **22nd day of December 2022**, she sent an electronic message to **3** addressees, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of:

- **Staff Response to Application for Protection of Information**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

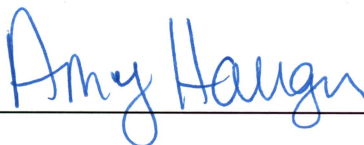
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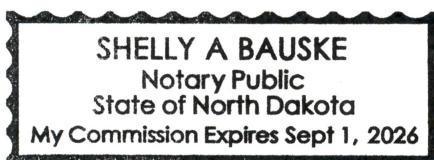
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The addresses shown are the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable electronic mail addresses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **22nd day of December 2022**.





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Notary Public

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STAFF RESPONSE TO APPLICATION FOR PROTECTION OF INFORMATION

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed applications for protection of information in the captioned cases.

The information for which the Company seeks protection is defined as trade secret, commercial, and financial information pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 44-04-18.4(1), (2)(a), and (2)(b), and N.D.C.C. § 47-25.1-01(4). Specifically, the company requests protection for the Electric Service Agreement, the revenue estimate for Applied Digital’s data center, and information from rate comparisons between MDU and Dakota Valley Electric. This information has been protected and not previously disclosed by MDU or Applied Digital and MDU has provided redacted versions for public use.

Staff believes that MDU's applications are for the type of information which is regularly granted protection of information. Staff recommends that the Administrative Law Judge grant protection of information in Case Nos. PU-22-366 and PU-22-370. Staff also recommends protection of information be granted by the Commission in PU-22-0731.

Dated this 22nd day of December 2022.



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