

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

**Dakota Natural Gas, LLC  
Natural Gas Pipeline – Larimore & Arvilla, ND  
Public Convenience & Necessity**

**Case No. PU-23-300**

**STAFF RESPONSE ON APPLICATION FOR PROTECTION OF INFORMATION**

**April 11, 2024**

On August 8, 2023, Dakota Natural Gas, LLC (the Company) filed an application for protection of information in the above captioned case.

The information the Company seeks protection for includes certain complete, audited financial statements in a document appended thereto as Attachment C.

The Company states that this information is financial in nature. Dakota Natural Gas is a private company and submits this information as private. North Dakota Century Code § 44-04-18.4(2)(c)(5) addresses this type of information: “Technical, financial, or marketing records that are received by a public entity, which are owned by the submitting person as private, and the disclosure of which would cause harm to the submitting person’s business.”

The confidentiality of this information has been maintained by the Company. The information is not disclosed to the public or to persons other than employees or authorized agents who need to know the information to fulfill their responsibilities in connection with the Company.

Staff has reviewed the information for which the company seeks protection and finds it meets the requirements of the applicable North Dakota Century Code, and North Dakota Administrative Code 69-02-09.

Staff recommends the Commission grant the Company's Application for Protection of Information in the above captioned case.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2024.



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