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November 17, 2023

Executive Secretary  
ND Public Service Commission  
600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Case No. PU-23-321 Application for Permanent Authority to Extend Service to  
Applied Digital Corp. (Data Center) in Ellendale, ND

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota) respectfully submits the Application for Permanent Authority to extend electric service to Applied Digital Corporation (Data Center) at a site located in the NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Section 4, Township 129N, Range 63W, in Dickey County, Ellendale, North Dakota.

Montana-Dakota respectfully requests that this filing be accepted as being in full compliance with the filing requirements of this Commission.

Please contact me at (701) 222-7855 or at [Travis.Jacobson@mdu.com](mailto:Travis.Jacobson@mdu.com) with any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Travis R. Jacobson*

Travis R. Jacobson  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

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

In the Matter of the Application                    )  
of MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.            )  
for an Order and Certificate to Extend        )  
Service to Applied Digital Corporation        )  
Data Center at Ellendale, North Dakota      )

Case No. PU-23-321

**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., 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.

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.

Applicant has been requested by Applied Digital Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Customer," to provide electric service to them at a point located in the NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Section 4, Township 129N, Range 63W in Dickey County, Ellendale, 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 Spring 2024.

Correspondence to the Customer should be directed to:

Applied Digital Corporation  
3811 Turtle Creek Blvd, Suite 2100  
Dallas, TX 75219

IV.

The service required by Customer at said location is three phase service, and the length of the extension will be approximately 2,100 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 they 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.

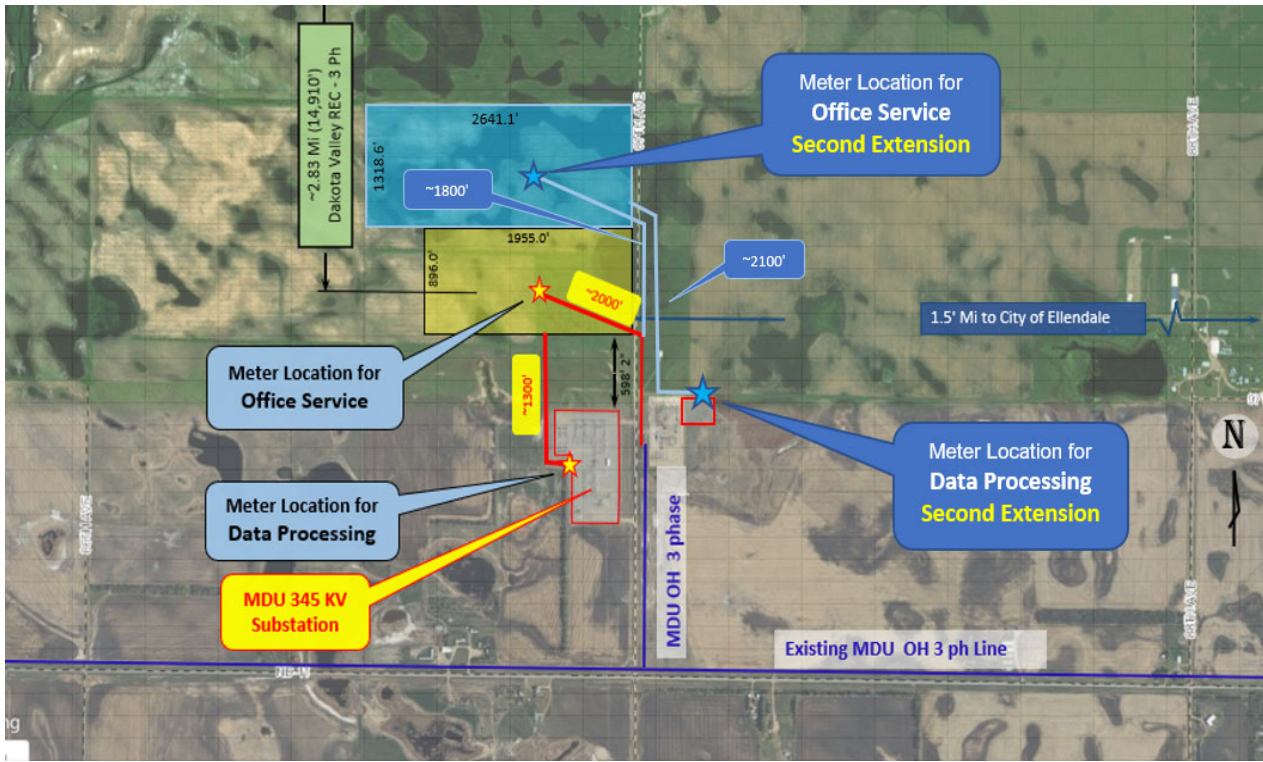
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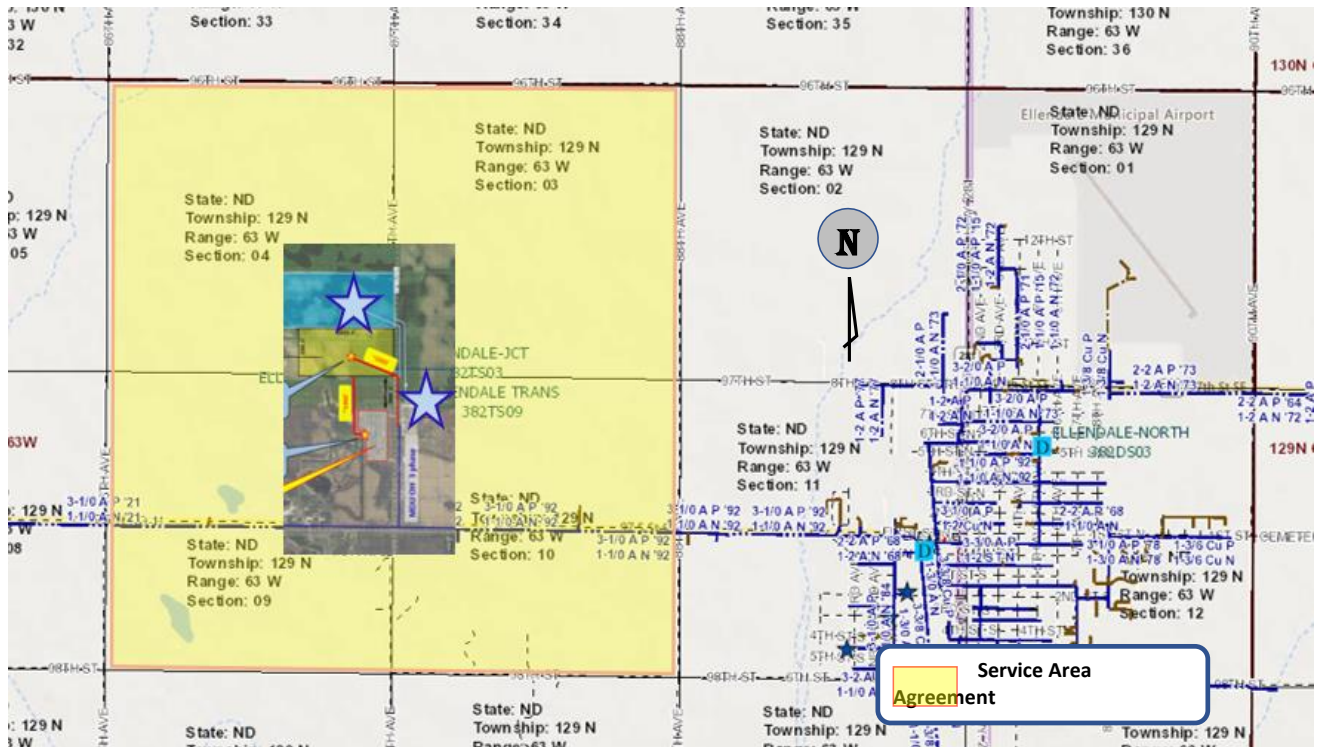
The extension will not cross any railroad tracks.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests the entry of an Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing Applicant to extend the requested and needed service to Customer.

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.

By: /s/ Travis R. Jacobson  
Travis R. Jacobson  
Director – Regulatory Affairs







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

Date 10/02/23	Time <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.	Name of Utility Montana-Dakota Utilities	Telephone Number 701 220-6942
Name of Person Calling Jayden Veil		Name of Coop Serving Dakota Valley	
Name of Customer Applied Digital Corporation (Data Center)		Location Sec NE 1/4 - SE 1/4 Sec 4 Twp 129N R 63W	
Address Rural (no Address Associate yet)		County Dickey	
City Ellendale		State ND	Zip Code 58436
Name of Nearest City Ellendale		Distance to the City 1.5 Miles	
When will service be extended? Spring 2024		Type of Service <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Storage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grain Bin <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Data Processing</u>	
Extension Length to Most Economical Point of Service Utility: 2100' Coop: 2.8 mi (14,910')		Extension <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Overhead <input 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)		Date of Contact (PSC Use)	Time (PSC Use) <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.
Estimated Cost of Extension Confidential		Estimated Revenue Confidential	
Under what rate filed with the Public Service Commission will customer be served? Proposed Rate 45 and Electric Service Agreement to be filed with ND PSC			
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 November 8, 2023	
Authorized By (Name of Commissioner) <i>Sheri Haugen-Hoffart</i>			

Extension must be made from most economical point of service.

<p>Comments:</p> <p>This extension is to serve a new data center and is located adjacent to the existing data center. .</p> <p>34.5 KV Transmission Voltage service is being provide.</p> <p>Dakota Valley will not protest this extension as this area is covered under the our Service Area Agreement (see attached map). Also see attached email from Dakota Valley.</p>
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**APPEARANCE BY CUSTOMER**

Applied Digital Corporation

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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: 9/26/2023

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*David Rench*  
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(Customer)