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Mr. Steve Kahl, Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

**RE: Electric Service Agreement – APLD ELN-02  
Case No. PU-23-322**

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota) herewith submits the attached proposed order to the North Dakota Public Service Commission for consideration of approval. On October 2, 2023, Montana-Dakota submitted an Application for Trade Secret Protection in the above referenced case, of which has been pending approval.

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

Sincerely,

*/s/Travis R. Jacobson*

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Cc: Paul Sanderson

Enclosure

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Electric Service Agreement – APLD ELN-02  
Approval**

**Case No. PU-23-322**

**ORDER ON PROTECTION OF INFORMATION**

**Appearances**

On October 2, 2023, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota) filed an Application for Trade Secret Protection.

The purpose of the requested protective order is to protect against public disclosure of trade secrets or proprietary information, as defined by North Dakota Century Code §§ 47-25.1-01(4).

The information for which Montana-Dakota seeks protection is select provisions from the Electric Service Agreement contained in the Transmittal Letter and Attachment B. The documents requesting protection include confidential rate and cost information and information relating to the customer's operational details relating to load characteristics.

The confidentiality of this information has been maintained by Montana-Dakota. Staff reviewed the request of Montana-Dakota for the protection of information and determined that the application satisfies the requirements of the law, which allows the Commission to limit access to and release the information.

Having reviewed the application, Staff Response, and information, the Commission concludes that there is good cause to limit access to the information according to Staff's recommendations.

**Order**

The Commission Orders:

1. The Application for Protection of Information is GRANTED.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**Sheri Haugen-Hoffart  
Commissioner**

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**Randy Christmann  
Chair**

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**Julie Fedorchak  
Commissioner**