

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
2023 Natural Gas Rate Increase
Application**

Case No. PU-23-341

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING

On November 1, 2023, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed a Notice for Change in Rates for Natural Gas Service under North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-05. MDU proposes a \$11.635 million or 7.45% increase in its annual North Dakota natural gas revenues. The proposed rates would affect MDU's service to all of its retail natural gas customers in North Dakota. Interim rates subject to refund were approved on December 13, 2023.

Public Input Sessions will be held **July 22, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Central Time** and **July 22, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. Central Time** in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.

A **Public Hearing** is scheduled to begin **September 30, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time** in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. What is the value of MDU's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
2. What is MDU's rate of return on its property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
3. What is a just and reasonable rate of return on MDU's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
4. What rates and charges are necessary to provide a just and reasonable rate of return on MDU's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
5. Are MDU's rate schedules designed in such a manner that they result in a basis of charge to its customers that is just and reasonable without undue discrimination?

The public is encouraged to view the Public Input Sessions electronically via <https://psc.nd.gov/public/meetings/live.php>. The public is also invited to appear and participate in the Public Input Sessions at the State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota.

The Commission will receive public input through the following methods:

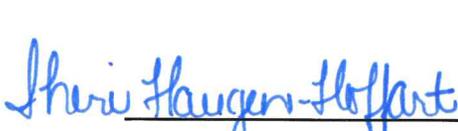
- **In-person**
- **Virtually/Video Conference** – The public may provide input via video conference at the following link during the public input sessions. <https://meet.goto.com/609284261>
- **Telephonic** – The public may provide input over the phone by calling 1-888-585-9008 with room code 671-872-185.
- **Written** – Written public input may be submitted at any time through email via ndpsc@nd.gov or by mail addressed to: Executive Secretary, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Dept 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Petitions to Intervene are governed by North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-02-05. However, the Commission encourages anyone wishing to become a party to this proceeding to file a Petition to Intervene as early in the process as possible to allow, if granted intervener status, full participation in prehearing filings and other actions. Consequently, anyone wishing to become a party should file a Petition to Intervene **by August 10, 2024**. A Petition to Intervene does not need to be filed to participate in the Public Input Sessions.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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