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March 7, 2025

Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building
Bismarck, ND 58505

**Re: Cost of Gas Adjustment (COG) Rate 88 and Rate 99
Case No. PU-24-007**

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-05, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota) electronically submits a Cost of Gas (COG) change pursuant to the terms of Rate 99. Montana-Dakota will not seek a COG – Natural Gas adjustment change for the month of April 2025 for Rate 88.

The COG Adjustment tariff (Rate 88), Section 2(b) provides that "Montana-Dakota shall file to reflect changes in its average cost of gas supply only when the amount of change in such COG is at least 25 (twenty-five) cents per dk." For Rate 88 – Natural Gas, the COG adjustment for the month of April 2025 results in a change of less than 25 cents per dk, and therefore, in accordance with the authorized tariff, Montana-Dakota will not seek a COG adjustment change for the month of April.

The Rate Summary Sheet (3rd Revised Sheet No. 3.1) showing the proposed propane rates effective April 1, 2025 is provided as Exhibit 1.

Montana-Dakota purchases propane supplies from various wholesale suppliers for the propane service provided in Hettinger, North Dakota. The cost of propane has decreased since the cost established in the December 2024 PGA filing.

The following Exhibits are provided in support of the propane rates to be effective April 1, 2025:

- Exhibit 2, page 1 shows the calculation of the current COG – propane that will be applicable to Montana-Dakota's customers for the month of April 2025. The average cost of propane for all customers, adjusted for losses, is \$9.880 per dk.
- Exhibit 2, page 2 summarizes the COG – propane calculated pursuant to the terms of Rate 99, which will apply during the month of April 2025. The net effect of this filing is a decrease of \$0.307 per dk for all customers from the currently effective rates as a result of a change in cost of propane from that established in the December 2024 PGA filing.

- Exhibit 2, page 3 shows the computation of the (over)/under recovered gas cost account balance.

This proposed adjustment, calculated in accordance with Rate 99, will amount to a decrease of approximately \$1,596 for propane customers during the month of April 2025. All of Montana-Dakota's retail propane customers in North Dakota may be affected by this proposal. There were 331 propane customers in North Dakota as of February 28, 2025.

Please refer all inquiries regarding this filing to:

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Also, please send copies of all written inquiries, correspondence and pleadings to:

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Montana-Dakota respectfully requests this electronic filing, in lieu of an original and two (2) physical copies, be accepted as being in full compliance with the filing requirements of this Commission.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (701) 222-7855 or travis.jacobson@mdu.com

Sincerely,

/s/ Travis R. Jacobson

Travis R. Jacobson
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

cc: A. Waldon

**RATE SUMMARY SHEET
(PROPOSED)**



Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.

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State of North Dakota Gas Rate Schedule

NDPSC Volume 8
3rd Revised Sheet No. 3.1
Canceling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 3.1

RATE SUMMARY SHEET

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Rate Schedule	Sheet No.	Basic Service Charge	Distribution Delivery Charge	Rates 88 & 99 Cost of Gas	Total Rate/ Dk
Transportation Service	24				
Small Interruptible Rate 81		\$450.00 per month			
Maximum			\$0.699		\$0.699
Minimum			\$0.102		\$0.102
Large Interruptible Rate 82		\$1,800.00 per month			
Maximum			\$0.237		\$0.237
Minimum			\$0.061		\$0.061
Large Interruptible Gas Rate 85	27				
Maximum Rate per Dk		\$1,800.00 per month	\$0.237	\$3.022	\$3.259
Minimum Rate per Dk		\$1,800.00 per month	\$0.061	\$3.022	\$3.083
Residential Rate 90	32	\$0.8244 per day	\$0.525	\$8.425	\$8.950
Firm General Service Rate 92	13				
Meters rated < 500 cubic feet		\$0.88 per day	\$1.384	\$8.425	\$9.809
Meters rated > 500 cubic feet		\$2.35 per day	\$1.409	\$8.425	\$9.834

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Effective Date: Effective with service rendered on and after April 1, 2025

Issued By: Travis R. Jacobson
Vice President -
Regulatory Affairs

Case No.: PU-24-007

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
COST OF GAS - PROPANE TARIFF SHEET
NORTH DAKOTA PROPANE
EFFECTIVE APRIL 2025

Cost of Gas - Propane

Current Propane Cost (Exhibit 7, Page 2)	\$9.880
Prior Filed Propane Cost	<u>10.187</u>
Current Propane Cost Adjustment	<u><u>(\$0.307)</u></u>

Surcharge Adjustment

Current Adjustment	(\$1.431)
Prior Filed Adjustment	<u>(1.431)</u>
Change in Surcharge Adjustment	\$0.000

Grain Drying Margin Sharing

Current Adjustment	(\$0.024)
Prior Adjustment	<u>(0.024)</u>
Change in Grain Drying Margin Sharing	\$0.000

Total Cost of Gas Items \$8.425

Net Increase (Decrease) in Gas Costs (\$0.307)

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
COST OF GAS - PROPANE
NORTH DAKOTA
EFFECTIVE APRIL 2025

Cost of Purchased Propane	\$51,146
Gallons Purchased	56,829
Projected dk Sales	5,200
Propane Cost per Dk	\$9.836
Average Cost of Propane as Adjusted for Losses @ 99.55%	9.880
Less: Propane Cost Level in Rates 1/	<u>10.187</u>
Current Propane Cost Adjustment	<u><u>(\$0.307)</u></u>

1/ Propane Cost Level in Current Rates - Case No. PU-24-007, effective December 1, 2024.

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
CALCULATION OF (OVER) / UNDER RECOVERED GAS COST ACCOUNT BALANCE
APPLICABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA
PROPANE**

	<u>(Over) Under Recovery</u>	<u>Interest 1/</u>	<u>Total Net Additions</u>	<u>Actual Dk Sales</u>	<u>Adjustment Per Dk</u>	<u>Total Adjustment Amount</u>	<u>Net Change- Additions less Adjustment</u>	<u>Cumulative Balance</u>
Balance @ February 29, 2024								<u>(\$90,229)</u>
March 2024	(\$2,391)	(\$370)	(\$2,761)	5,293	(\$2.049)	(\$10,844)	\$8,083	(82,146)
April	(8,326)	(333)	(8,659)	5,360	(2.049)	(10,982)	2,323	(79,823)
May	(5,364)	(322)	(5,686)	2,151	(1.431)	(3,434) 2/	(2,252)	(82,075)
June	(2,084)	(331)	(2,415)	865	(1.431)	(1,238)	(1,177)	(83,252)
July	(1,496)	(332)	(1,828)	630	(1.431)	(902)	(926)	(84,178)
August	(1,486)	(325)	(1,811)	482	(1.431)	(689)	(1,122)	(85,300)
September	(772)	(307)	(1,079)	517	(1.431)	(738)	(341)	(85,641)
October	216	(294)	(78)	1,222	(1.431)	(1,749)	1,671	(83,970)
November	679	(282)	397	3,393	(1.431)	(4,856)	5,253	(78,717)
December	2,195	(254)	1,941	7,789	(1.431)	(11,146)	13,087	(65,630)
January 2025	18,171	(207)	17,964	9,472	(1.431)	(13,553)	31,517	(34,113)
Balance @ January 31, 2025								<u>(\$34,113)</u>

1/ Interest calculated at Three Month Treasury Bill rate.

2/ Reflects 576 Dk @ (\$2.049) and 1,575 Dk @ (\$1.431).