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June 11, 2026

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

**RE: Application for Permanent Authority to Provide Service to Ellendale, ND  
Man Camp – Applied Digital  
Case No. PU-26-173**

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. submits for Commission approval an original and seven (7) copies of the Company's Application for Permanent Authority to provide electric service to Applied Digital for a man camp at a site located in Section 11, Township 129N, Range 64W in Dickey County, near Ellendale, North Dakota.

Please contact me at 701.954.9072 or [Tyler.Culbertson@mdu.com](mailto:Tyler.Culbertson@mdu.com) with any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'T Culbertson'.

Tyler J Culbertson  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Cc: Jeremy Fischer

**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 Provide	)	Case No. PU-26-173
Service to Applied Digital for	)	
a Man Camp in Dickey County	)	

**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, hereinafter referred to as "Customer," to provide electric service to them for a man camp located in Section 11 Township 129N, Range 64W in Dickey County, near 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 Summer 2026.

Correspondence to the Customer should be directed to:

Applied Digital  
411 SE 12<sup>th</sup> St  
Madison, SD 57042

IV.

The service required by Customer at said location is underground service, and the length of the extension will be approximately 265 feet, as shown by Exhibit A. The location of the proposed service is within the economic service area of Applicant and service will be provided 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.

VI.

Underground extension of 265 feet is required.

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  
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs

97th St SE

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Exhibit A  
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Service 106' E  
155' S

City Limits of  
Ellendale  
Approximately 6.35  
Miles

State: ND  
Section: 10  
Township: 129 N  
Range: 64 W

State: ND  
Section: 11  
Township: 129 N  
Range: 64 W

State:  
Section:  
Township:  
Range:

SE

97.5 St SE

97.5 St SE

30 Dakota Valley Approximately  
4 Miles

Site Location

th St SE

98th St SE

98th St SE

E Lake Dr

83rd Ave SE





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

Exhibit B  
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Date 5/26/2026	Time <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.	Name of Utility Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	Telephone Number 701-425-2707
Name of Person Calling Jeremy Fischer		Name of Coop Serving Dakota Valley	
Name of Customer Applied Digital	Location Sec 11 Twp 129N R 64W		
Address		County Dickey	
City		State ND	Zip Code
Name of Nearest City Ellendale		Distance to the City 6.43 Miles	
When will service be extended? May 2026	Type of Service <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Storage <input type="checkbox"/> Grain Bin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Man Camp		
Extension Length to Most Economical Point of Service Utility: 265 ft Coop: Approximately 4 miles	Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underground		
Has customer signed request for service? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Will cooperative protest application? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No It is unknown if the cooperative will protest.		
Name of Person Contacted (PSC Use) Mark Kinzler GM Dakota Valley Electric via phone	Date of Contact (PSC Use) 6/8/2026 9:30 a.m.	Time (PSC Use)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.
Estimated Cost of Extension \$37,374.00	Estimated Revenue \$112,000		
Under what rate filed with the Public Service Commission will customer be served? Rate 30			
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 June 9, 2026	
Authorized By (Name of Commissioner) <i>Randy Christmann</i>			

Extension must be made from most economical point of service.

**Comments:**  
 The extension will serve a temporary man camp. Because the load is temporary, Montana-Dakota intends to collect the extension cost from the customer as a CIAC. Montana-Dakota owns the line on the north side of the property and the local Coop would need extend service approximately 4 miles.

Note: Mark Kinzler spoke to Victor Schock via phone on 6/8/2026 to let him know they are having a board meeting on Thursday, June 11 and at that time he is recommending that Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative not protest this application. grs

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**APPEARANCE BY CUSTOMER**

APLD HPC ServiceCo LLC

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.

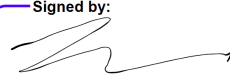
That customer further states that he (it) is in need of and has demanded immediate service at said location for the reasons set forth in the Application herein. Customer waives notice of opportunity for hearing and notice of hearing upon said Application, or a hearing thereon, and requests the Commission 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, prays for 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: 5/4/2026

Signed by:   
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(Customer)

