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July 1, 2009

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
500 East Capitol  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: Docket No. EL08-015  
2008-2009 Avoided Costs Update

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. hereby requests to withdraw its request to update the Occasional Power Purchase Non-Time Differentiated Rate 95, Short-Term Power Purchase Time Differentiated Rate 96 and Long-Term Power Purchase Time Differentiated Rate 97 tariffs filed on May 30, 2008 in Docket No. EL08-015. No customers will be affected as the Company currently has no customers taking service under Rates 95, 96 and 97.

Montana-Dakota is requesting in a separate filing to update its avoided cost rates to be applicable for the period 2009 – 2010.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of this letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Donald R. Ball'.

Donald R. Ball  
Vice President – Regulatory Affairs