



MONTANA-DAKOTA

UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

400 North Fourth Street
Bismarck, ND 58501
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September 11, 2006

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

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Re: South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline
Company – Docket No. NG06-008

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed are an original and ten copies of a Petition of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., to intervene in the above docket.

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,

Donald R. Ball
Vice President-Regulatory Affairs

Attachments

cc: D. Gerdes
D. Kuntz

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF SOUTH DAKOTA INTRASTATE)
PIPELINE COMPANY TO AMEND RATE) Docket No. NG06-008
SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO ITS AMENDED)
AND RESTATED TRANSPORTATION)
AGREEMENT)

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.
(Montana-Dakota), pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, hereby
petitions to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition,
Montana-Dakota respectfully shows the following:

I.

Names, titles and mailing addresses of the persons who should be served with
communications concerning this motion are:

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II.

Montana-Dakota is a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., a corporation
organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware, with its principal place

of business located at 400 North Fourth Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501. MDU Resources Group, Inc. is authorized to conduct, and is conducting business in the states of South Dakota, Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming. Montana-Dakota is a public utility engaged in the production, transmission, distribution, and sale of electricity and the distribution and sale of natural gas.

III.

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) has Noticed the above-referenced proceeding and set an intervention date to allow petitions to intervene to be filed with the Commission.

IV.

South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Company (SDIP) is an intrastate pipeline operating and providing transportation services in the State of South Dakota. Montana-Dakota is presently SDIP's only transportation customer and is subject to a Transportation Agreement entered into between SDIP and Montana-Dakota.

V.

Montana-Dakota has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding, which may be adversely affected by the Commission's findings and conclusions in this matter. Montana-Dakota avers that it cannot be adequately represented by existing parties, that it has a right to intervene, and that its intervention is in the public interest.

WHEREFORE, Montana-Dakota prays that it be permitted to intervene in the above-referenced proceeding. Montana-Dakota does not request a hearing on the filing, but does desire to be treated as a party with all rights appropriate to that status,

including the right to receive all pleadings and evidence, prepare and present evidence, cross-examine, and present argument in support of its interest as they may appear in the event of a hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.,
A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

By 
Donald R. Ball
Vice President – Regulatory Affairs

Dated: September 11, 2006

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