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February 2, 2017

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

RE: MidAmerican Energy Company
Initial Filing – Refund Plan

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) received a gas supplier refund check January 13, 2017, from ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) for \$50,456.30. South Dakota's portion of the refund plus interest is \$6,728.70 and MidAmerican proposed to incorporate this refund amount into the April 2017 purchased gas adjustment (PGA) rate.

The refund relates to FERC Docket No. RP2016-440. In that docket, ANR was ordered to refund 50% of the amount identified in Article XII.A. to all parties who took service from ANR during the 12-month period ending July 31, 2106.

MidAmerican hereby submits electronically the following schedules:

- Schedule A – all documents received from ANR regarding the refund.
- Schedule B – the calculation of South Dakota's allocation of the refund, interest on the refund, and estimated credit per therm.

The confidential materials constitute a trade secret and, if released, would result in material damage to MidAmerican's competitive position or give advantage to competitors and serve no public purpose. Therefore, this information is confidential pursuant to S.D. Codified Laws 1-27-1.5 and S.D Admin. R. 20:10:01:39. If MidAmerican's competitors or customers were to gain access to these negotiated gas rates, MidAmerican's ability to minimize gas costs that are billed to customers would be impaired. The confidential material is also protected pursuant to federal law because it contains commercially sensitive information, which if released to the general public, would give an unfair advantage to existing and potential gas suppliers and customers. *See e.g., National Parks and Conservation Association v. Morton*, 498 F.2d 765, 768 (U.S.C.A. 1974).

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If you have any questions regarding the refund or MidAmerican's refund plan, please contact me at (563) 333-8047 or rdwhite@midamerican.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Renee White

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cc: Brian Rybarik– MidAmerican Energy Company