

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

In the Matter of the Application of )	
South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Company )	<b>NOTICE OF CHANGE IN RATES</b>
for Authority to Increase its Natural Gas )	
Transportation Rate )	Docket No. NG17-009

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Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:13:15, South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Company (“SDIPC” or “Company”) hereby gives notice to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) of a change in its natural gas rates and other provisions of its tariff schedules to become effective for billings on or after August 31, 2018.

With this filing SDIPC proposes rate and tariff changes that would result in an annual increase in revenues from natural gas distribution rates of \$1,775,032. SDIPC proposes to replace the per dekatherm rate with a flat monthly charge of \$330,739.66. The resulting rate increase for SDIPC’s sole customer, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (“MDU”), will therefore depend on MDU’s transportation volumes.

The Company is submitting prepared direct testimony and schedules by the following witnesses:

<u>Witness</u>	<u>Testimony</u>
William Murphy	Background on SDIPC operations, overview of Transportation Agreement with Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Gordon Woods	Support for Operations and Maintenance expenses and SDIPC pipeline integrity program
Lisa Murphy	Overview of Revenue Requirement and Cost of Service

**Rule Compliance**

**A. Report to Commission of Tariff Schedule Changes on Notice**

SDIPC’s revised tariff sheets are attached to the Application as Appendix B. The rate information and description of the rate and tariff changes required by ARSD § 20:10:13:26 are attached to the Application as Appendix F.

**B. Attestation of Chief Accounting Officer**

The Attestation of the Accounting Officer required by ARSD § 20:10:13:50 is attached to the Application as Appendix D.

**C. Revenue Estimates, Cost of Service Study, and Statement of System Costs**

The comparison of sales, services and revenues required by ARSD 20:10:13:41 is attached to the Application as Appendix C. SDIPC is not submitting a class cost of service study described in ARSD § 20:10:13:43 because it has one customer. The statement of system costs required by ARSD § 20:10:13:44 is found primarily at Statement M.

**D. Proposed Effective Date**

SDIPC proposes that the rate become effective upon expiration of the Transportation Agreement on August 31, 2018.

**E. Customer Notice**

SDIPC has complied with ARSD §§ 20:10:13:17-19 because the Company’s one customer, MDU, is on notice of this proposed change in rates and has intervened in this proceeding.

**F. Index to Filing**

For the convenience of the Commission, an Index to the filing, which lists all documents submitted, is enclosed with Volume I of the filing.

By this filing, SDIPC does not waive any right it may have to update and amend this notice or the statements of fact, expert opinions, substantiating documents and exhibits in support thereof, and to produce other or additional statements of fact, expert opinions, substantiating documents and exhibits to meet all claims, objections and allegations that may be made in this proceeding.

Dated this 28th day of June 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

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