MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO. SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO. NG17-010 DATA REQUEST SET 1 DATED JUNE 15, 2017

1-4. Explain in more detail why the tariff revisions cannot take effect as soon as possible and must wait for the customer transfer to the new billing system be complete towards the end of 2017.

Response:

Montana-Dakota's transportation customers continue to be billed today in the former CIS billing, while all other customers are billed within the CC&B system. The Company is currently in the process of designing the necessary configuration for billing the transportation customers within CC&B with the conversion of these customers to CC&B expected in the 4th quarter of 2017. In recognition of the timing of moving these customers and to avoid having to design and configure the proposed changes in both billing systems concurrently, the Company is proposing to continue the current application until such time as these customers are converted to the new billing system.