

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO. FOR
APPROVAL OF TARIFF REVISIONS**

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**ORDER APPROVING
TARIFF REVISIONS**

EL11-014

On June 13, 2011, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., for Commission approval of revisions to the Montana Dakota's tariff rates applicable to cogeneration and small power production services, specifically Occasional Power Purchase Non-Time Differentiated Rate 95, Short-Term Power Purchase Rate 96, and Long-Term Power Purchase Rate 97. On August 1, 2011, Montana Dakota filed a set of revised tariff sheets to correct certain inaccuracies discovered in the initial tariff sheets. The revised tariff sheets are as follows:

Section No. 1.00 13th Revised Sheet No. 1	Canceling 12th Revised Sheet No. 1
Section No. 3.00 25 th Revised Sheet No. 28 26 th Revised Sheet No. 29 16 th Revised Sheet No. 29.1 26 th Revised Sheet No. 30 17 th Revised Sheet No. 30.1	Canceling 24 th Revised Sheet No. 28 Canceling 25 th Revised Sheet No. 29 Canceling 15 th Revised Sheet No. 29.1 Canceling 25 th Revised Sheet No. 30 Canceling 16 th Revised Sheet No. 30.1

On June 16, 2011, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 1, 2011, to interested individuals and entities. No parties sought intervention. The Commission finds it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8 , and 49-34A-12.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of August 9, 2011, the Commission considered this matter. Commission Staff recommended approval of Montana-Dakota's request to revise its tarified rates applicable to cogeneration and small power production services. The Commission finds the revisions are proper and approves the revisions. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.'s request to revise its tarified rates applicable to cogeneration and small power production services, as described above, is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 12th day of August, 2011.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically.
By: <u>Tina Douglas</u>
Date: <u>8-15-11</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Vice Chairman