

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY ) MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR ) APPROVAL OF ITS 2015 ECONOMIC ) DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND 2016 ) PROPOSED BUDGET )	)	ORDER APPROVING REPORT ON 2015 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND 2016 BUDGET  NG16-002
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On March 23, 2016, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its Report on 2015 Economic Development Activities and Proposed 2016 Budget for Commission approval. The filing included MidAmerican's report on 2015 economic development activities, actual expenses for 2015, and the planned budget for 2016.

On March 24, 2016, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of April 8, 2016, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On April 14, 2016, MidAmerican responded to Commission staff's data requests.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically SDCL 49-34A-4 and 49-34A-6.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2016, the Commission considered this matter. After review of the filing, the Commission found the activities and contributions set forth therein to be just and reasonable and voted unanimously to approve MidAmerican's Report on 2015 Economic Development Activities and Proposed 2016 Budget. The Commission found MidAmerican's Economic Development activities align with the Settlement Stipulation in NG01-010 which states that Economic Development expenses up to \$100,000 shall be equally paid by shareholders and ratepayers, capping ratepayer's portion at \$50,000. It is therefore

ORDERED, that MidAmerican's Report on 2015 Economic Development Activities and Proposed 2016 Budget are approved as filed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
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 or by mail.
By: <u>Raylene West</u>
Date: <u>5-2-16</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner