BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SOUTH DAKOTA INTRASTATE PIPELINE COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS NATURAL GAS RATES ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO SETTLEMENT STIPULATION AND APPROVING TARIFF SHEETS ON LESS THAN 30 DAYS' NOTICE; ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT STIPULATION

NG17-009

On June 1, 2017, South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Company (SDIP) filed with the Commission a Letter of Transmittal requesting authority to increase its natural gas rates. On June 22, 2017, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed a Petition to Intervene. On July 6, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Granting Intervention. On August 8, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Granting Motion for Commission Review and Making the Application Public. On February 15, 2018, Ring-neck Energy & Feed, LLC dba Ring-neck Energy, LLC filed a late Petition to Intervene. On March 2, 2018, the Commission issued an Order Granting Late Filed Intervention. On July 6, 2018, the Commission issued an Order Granting Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation. On September 24, 2019, SDIP filed a letter regarding Rate Adjustment. On September 26, 2019, MDU filed a letter regarding SDIP's September 24, 2019 letter. On October 23, 2019, the parties filed a Joint Motion for Approval of Amendment to Settlement Stipulation and Revised Tariff Pages, Amendment to Settlement Stipulation, and revised tariff sheets. On October 24, 2019, Commission staff filed its Memorandum Supporting Amendment to Settlement Stipulation and Exhibits. On October 25, 2019, SDIP filed revised tariff sheets.

On September 26, 2019, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of SDIP's September 24, 2019 letter and the intervention deadline of October 11, 2019, to interested persons on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No new parties sought intervention.

The revised tariff sheets to be effective for service rendered on and after November 1, 2019, are as follows:

State of South Dakota Gas Rate Schedule - SD P.U.C.

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The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 49-1, and 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-2, 49-34A-3, , 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, 49-34A-11, 49-34A-12, 49-34A-21, and ARSD 20:10:13.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on October 30, 2019, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission heard from SDIP, MDU, and Commission staff. Having thoroughly reviewed the filings in the docket and having made further inquiry of the parties, the Commission found that the terms and conditions proposed in the Settlement Stipulation were just, reasonable, and in the public interest and that good and sufficient cause was demonstrated to grant the Joint Motion for Approval of Amendment to Settlement Stipulation and thereby approve the Amendment to Settlement Stipulation. The Commission voted unanimously to grant the Joint Motion for Approval of Amendment to Settlement Stipulation and to approve the rates, revised tariff sheets, terms and conditions stipulated therein. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Joint Motion for Approval of Amendment to Settlement Stipulation is hereby granted. The Amendment to Settlement Stipulation is incorporated by reference into this Decision and Order the same as if it had been set forth in its entirety herein. It is further

ORDERED, that the tariff sheets set forth above are approved for service on less than thirty days' notice and are effective on and after November 1, 2019.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this <u>3</u> day of October 2019.

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 or by mail. By: <u>Mange</u> . <u>Memer</u> Date: <u>10/31/19</u>	
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION: GARY

SON. Commissioner

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

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