

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

IN THE MATTER OF STAFF'S REQUEST TO)
INVESTIGATE THE EFFECTS OF THE TAX)
CUTS AND JOBS ACT ON SOUTH DAKOTA)
UTILITIES)
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**ORDER APPROVING
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY
COMPANY'S TERM
RECONCILIATIONS**

GE17-003

On December 21, 2017, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Commission staff (Staff) requesting a docket be opened to investigate the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on South Dakota utilities. On December 29, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Requiring Comments; Order Requiring Rates in Effect January 1, 2018, are Subject to Refund; Order Granting Intervention. On May 15, 2019, the Commission issued an Order Granting Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation Between Staff and MidAmerican Energy Company. On April 17, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Approving MidAmerican Energy Company's TERM Reconciliations, effective May 1, 2020. On July 16, 2020, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed a letter regarding its electric and natural gas Tax Expense Refund Mechanism (TERM) reconciliations for the second effective period. MidAmerican proposes that all electric classes be considered within an acceptable tolerance and no additional refund be required. MidAmerican proposes all natural gas classes be considered within an acceptable tolerance and no additional refund be required, with the exception of the Small Volume Sales class for which MidAmerican proposes a new TERM factor be effective for the billing month of September 2020. MidAmerican also filed SD Electric-2nd TERM Reconciliation Workpapers; SD Gas-2nd TERM Reconciliation Workpapers, and a revised gas tariff sheet:

South Dakota Gas Tariff Schedule No. 2

SD P.U.C. Sec. No. 3

2nd Revised Sheet No. 74.15

Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 74.1

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, and 49-34A-26.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on August 4, 2020, the Commission considered this matter. Finding the request to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve MidAmerican's TERM reconciliations and revised tariff page, effective August 28, 2020.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that MidAmerican's TERM reconciliations and above-mentioned revised tariff sheet are hereby approved with an effective date of August 28, 2020.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 6th day of August 2020

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><i>Karen E. Bremer</i></u>
Date: <u><i>08/06/20</i></u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner