

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A)
SUBSIDIARY OF MDU RESOURCES)
GROUP INC., FOR APPROVAL OF THE)
ANNUAL UPDATE TO ITS TRANSMISSION)
COST RECOVERY RIDER RATE)

**ORDER APPROVING
TRANSMISSION COST
RECOVERY RIDER RATE
AND TARIFF REVISION**

EL21-009

On March 1, 2021, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) for approval of its annual update to its Transmission Cost Recovery Rider (TCRR). MDU states the proposed tariff change is necessary to reflect the projected 2021 charges assessed to MDU for transmission-related services provided by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator and Southwest Power Pool along with the projected revenues and/or credits received by MDU for transmission-related services. In addition, MDU is including the projected 2021 revenue requirements for two transmission projects approved in EL20-010 and one new transmission project in its projected 2021 TCRR update. MDU proposes a TCRR rate of \$0.00694 per kWh to be effective May 1, 2021, which is an increase of \$0.00181 per kWh from that currently authorized. The revised tariff sheet is as follows:

State of South Dakota Electric Rate Schedule - SDPUC Volume No. 2

Section No. 3

5th Revised Sheet No. 28.1

Canceling 4th Revised Sheet No. 28.1

On March 4, 2021, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 19, 2021, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On April 22, 2021, Commission staff filed its memorandum in this matter.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, 49-34A-12, and 49-34A-25.1 through 49-34A-25.4, and ARSD 20:10:13.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 29, 2021, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval, as outlined in its memorandum, of the revised TCRR rate of \$0.00694/kWh and the revised tariff sheet. Finding the revisions to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the revised TCRR rate and revised tariff sheet, effective May 1, 2021. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the revised TCRR rate of \$0.00694/kWh and the above-referenced tariff sheet are hereby approved, effective May 1, 2021.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 30th day of April 2021.

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| <p style="text-align: center;">CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u><i>Kristie Fiegen</i></u></p> <p>Date: <u>30 April 2021</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p> |
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner