

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )</b>	<b>ORDER APPROVING TARIFF</b>
<b>MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A )</b>	<b>REVISIONS</b>
<b>SUBSIDIARY OF MDU RESOURCES GROUP )</b>	
<b>INC., FOR APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT NEW )</b>	
<b>RATE SCHEDULE HIGH DENSITY )</b>	
<b>CONTRACTED DEMAND RESPONSE RATE )</b>	
<b>45 )</b>	<b>EL22-024</b>

On September 21, 2022, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Subsidiary of MDU Resources Group Inc. (MDU) for approval to implement a new rate schedule, High Density Contracted Demand Response Rate 45 (Rate 45). MDU is proposing Rate 45 be available to all data center-type facilities housing high density computer processing technology, including but not limited to blockchain technology facilities. MDU states in its application that Rate 45 customers must meet an expected demand of at least 10 MW, an expected minimum load factor of 85 percent, and be interrupted up to 200 hours annually and will be required to enter into an electric service agreement, subject to Commission approval, prior to the commencement of service.

The revised tariff sheets are as follows:

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

- Section No. 1  
2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 1                      Canceling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 1
  
- Section No. 3  
1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 20                      Canceling Original Sheet No. 20  
Original Sheet No. 20.1  
Original Sheet No. 20.2

On September 22, 2022, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of October 7, 2022, to interested entities and persons on the Commission’s PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On December 12, 2022, and January 3, 2023, MDU responded to Commission staff’s data requests.

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-93, and ARSD 20:10:13:02 through 20:10:13:28 and 20:10:13:39.

On January 5, 2023, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval of the tariff revisions with a January 6, 2023, effective date. Finding the revisions to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the revisions, effective January 6, 2023.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that MDU's request to revise its above-mentioned tariffs is hereby granted and the revisions are approved, effective for services rendered on and after January 6, 2023.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b></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>Adam DeHueck</u></p> <p>Date: <u>1/10/23</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner