

Exhibit B

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.
DEPRECIATION RATES
ELECTRIC UTILITY - SOUTH DAKOTA SETTLEMENT

Acct. No.	Account	Proposed Depreciation Rate	Settlement Depreciation Rate	Rate Change
	<u>Steam Production Plant</u>			
	<u>Heskett</u>			
311	Structures & Improvements	0.64%	0.64%	
316	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.73%	2.73%	
	<u>Lewis & Clark</u>			
311	Structures & Improvements	1.42%	1.42%	
	<u>Coyote</u>			
311	Structures & Improvements	1.30%	1.30%	
312	Boiler Plant Equipment	1.79%	1.79%	
314	Turbogenerator Units	2.53%	2.53%	
315	Accessory Equipment	1.43%	1.43%	
316	Miscellaneous Equipment	3.84%	3.84%	
	<u>Big Stone</u>			
311	Structures & Improvements	3.02%	3.02%	
312	Boiler Plant Equipment	3.55%	3.55%	
314	Turbogenerator Units	1.55%	1.55%	
315	Accessory Equipment	2.82%	2.82%	
316	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.77%	2.77%	
	<u>Other Production Plant</u>			
	<u>Heskett III Gas Turbine</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	2.97%	2.97%	
342	Fuel Holders, Producers & Acces.	3.10%	3.10%	
344	Generators	2.31%	2.31%	
345	Accessory Equipment	5.48%	5.48%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	3.81%	3.81%	
	<u>Heskett IV Gas Turbine</u>			
344	Generators	2.33%	2.33%	

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	<u>Glendive Turbines</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	2.67%	2.67%	
342	Fuel Holders, Producers & Acces.	2.02%	2.02%	
344	Generators - Unit I	0.27%	0.27%	
344	Generators - Unit II	2.75%	2.75%	
345	Accessory Equipment	7.24%	7.24%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.79%	2.79%	
	<u>Miles City Turbine</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	1.05%	1.05%	
342	Fuel Holders, Producers & Acces.	5.36%	5.36%	
344	Generators	2.24%	2.24%	
345	Accessory Equipment	8.27%	8.27%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	4.11%	4.11%	
	<u>Lewis & Clark RICE</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	3.78%	3.78%	
342	Fuel Holders, Producers & Acces.	3.66%	3.66%	
344	Generators	3.64%	3.64%	
345	Accessory Equipment	5.07%	5.07%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	4.55%	4.55%	
	<u>Portable Generator</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	3.03%	3.03%	
342	Fuel Holders, Producers & Acces.	3.01%	3.01%	
344	Generators	3.05%	3.05%	
345	Accessory Equipment	4.20%	4.20%	
	<u>Ormat</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	3.29%	3.29%	
344	Generators	3.39%	3.39%	
345	Accessory Equipment	4.24%	4.24%	
	<u>Other Production - Wind</u>			
	<u>Diamond Willow</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	3.39%	3.39%	
344	Generators	4.42%	4.42%	
345	Accessory Equipment	5.02%	5.02%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	4.29%	4.29%	

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	<u>Cedar Hills Wind Farm</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	3.91%	3.91%	
344	Generators	3.86%	3.86%	
345	Accessory Equipment	4.94%	4.94%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	5.81%	5.81%	
	<u>Thunder Spirit Wind Farm I</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	4.90%	4.90%	
344	Generators	3.96%	3.96%	
345	Accessory Equipment	6.70%	6.70%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	5.11%	5.11%	
	<u>Thunder Spirit Wind Farm II</u>			
341	Structures & Improvements	4.66%	4.66%	
344	Generators	4.03%	4.03%	
345	Accessory Equipment	5.47%	5.47%	
346	Miscellaneous Equipment	5.14%	5.14%	
	<u>Transmission Plant</u>			
350.2	Rights of Way	1.29%	1.29%	
352	Structures & Improvements	2.00%	2.00%	
353	Station Equipment	1.47%	0.73%	-0.74%
354	Towers & Fixtures	1.90%	1.90%	
355	Poles & Fixtures	2.06%	1.92%	-0.14%
356	Overhead Conductor & Devices	1.64%	1.45%	-0.19%
357	Underground Conduit	1.99%	1.99%	
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	<u>Distribution Plant</u>			
360.2	Rights of Way	0.83%	0.83%	
362	Station Equipment	2.05%	0.83%	-1.22%
364	Poles, Towers & Fixtures	3.76%	2.71%	-1.05%
365	Overhead Conductors & Devices	3.08%	2.35%	-0.73%
366	Underground Conduit	1.53%	1.53%	
367	Underground Conductor & Devices	4.07%	4.07%	
368	Line Transformers	2.16%	1.89%	-0.27%
369	Services	2.29%	2.08%	-0.21%
370	Meters	7.41%	7.41%	
371	Yard Lights	9.52%	7.16%	-2.36%
373	Street Lights	4.27%	3.20%	-1.07%

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	<u>General Plant</u>			
390	Structures and Improvements	1.54%	1.54%	
391.1	Office Furniture & Fixtures	8.30%	8.30%	
391.3	Computer Equipment - PC	0.00%	0.00%	
391.4	Computer Equipment - Prime	57.10%	57.10%	
391.5	Computer Equipment - Other	12.10%	12.10%	
392.1	Transportation Equip., Non-Unitized	0.00%	0.00%	
392.2	Transportation Equip., Unitized	9.63%	9.63%	
393	Stores Equipment	1.65%	1.65%	
394.1	Tools, Shop & Garage Equip. - Non-Un.	4.82%	4.82%	
395	Laboratory Equipment	3.55%	3.55%	
396.1	Trailers - Work Equipment	2.94%	2.94%	
396.2	Power Operated Equipment	8.22%	8.22%	
397.1	Radio Comm. Equipment-Fixed	6.98%	6.98%	
397.2	Radio Comm. Equipment-Mobile	6.87%	6.87%	
397.3	General Tele. Comm. Equip.	7.42%	7.42%	
397.5	Supervisory & Telemeter Equipment	14.27%	14.27%	
397.6	Scada System	9.79%	9.79%	
397.8	Network Equipment	22.87%	22.87%	
398	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.96%	2.96%	
	<u>Common Plant</u>			
390	Structures & Improvements	2.57%	0.85%	-1.72%
391.1	Office Furniture & Fixtures	6.81%	6.67%	-0.14%
391.3	Computer Equipment - PC	24.37%	20.00%	-4.37%
391.5	Computer Equipment - Other	23.70%	20.00%	-3.70%
392.2	Transportation Equip., Unitized	9.65%	6.65%	-3.00%
392.3	Transportation Equip., Aircraft	4.00%	4.00%	
393	Stores Equipment	2.94%	3.33%	0.39%
394.1	Tools, Shop & Garage Equipment	1.27%	5.56%	4.29%
394.3	Vehicle Maintenance Equipment	5.00%	5.00%	
394.4	Vehicle Refueling Equip.	0.00%	5.00%	5.00%
397.1	Radio Communication Equip.-Fixed	7.04%	6.67%	-0.37%
397.2	Radio Communication Equip.-Mobile	7.05%	6.67%	-0.38%
397.3	Telephone Communication Equip.	11.83%	10.00%	-1.83%
397.5	Supervisory & Telephone Equip.	27.74%	6.67%	-21.07%
397.8	Network Equipment	25.14%	20.00%	-5.14%
398	Miscellaneous Equipment	3.05%	5.00%	1.95%