

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST
BY MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES
CO., A SUBSIDIARY OF MDU
RESOURCES GROUP INC., FOR
APPROVAL OF AN ELECTRIC
SERVICE AGREEMENT UNDER RATE
45 BETWEEN MONTANA-DAKOTA
UTILITIES CO., A SUBSIDIARY OF
MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC., AND
LEOLA DATA CENTER LLC**

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**FEM ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.’S
JOINDER IN BASIN ELECTRIC POWER
COOPERATIVE’S RESPONSE
TO MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.’S
OBJECTION TO
PETITIONS TO INTERVENE**

EL24-028

COMES NOW FEM Electric Association, Inc. (“FEM”), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby joins and submits its Joinder in Basin’s Electric Power Cooperative’s Response to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.’s Response and Objection to Petitions of FEM Electric Association, Inc., East River Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., and Basin Electric Power Cooperative.

FEM agrees with the arguments made by Basin Electric in its Response to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.’s Response and Objection to Petitions to Intervene dated September 13, 2024, and does not repeat those arguments here.

FEM’s pecuniary interests will be directly and immediately affected by the Commission’s decision to approve the ESA, and no other party could adequately represent FEM’s interests in this matter. FEM desires to intervene in this matter to provide information regarding its ability to provide retail power to the Data Center, and to protect its interests.

FEM respectfully requests the Commission to grant its Petition to Intervene and authorize FEM to participate in this docket with all rights of a party.

Dated this 17th day September, 2024.

FEM ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

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