

**MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.  
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
FIRST DATA REQUEST ISSUED MAY 8, 2020  
RESPONSES DUE MAY 22, 2020  
DOCKET NO. GE20-002**

- 1-9. Has the Company made any charitable contributions during this time related to the COVID-19 crisis? If so:
- a. How much money was given and to whom was it given?
  - b. Has the company considered having this shareholder expense cover bad debt expense instead of to the charities it was given? Explain why or why not.

**Response:**

- a. \$4,000 was given to four organizations in South Dakota through the MDU Resources Foundation, in addition to grants typically provided through the MDU Resources Foundation. Those contributions are:

Cornerstone Rescue Mission	Rapid City	SD	\$1,000
Lemmon Food Pantry	Lemmon	SD	\$1,000
Mobridge Ministerial Association	Mobridge	SD	\$1,000
Spearfish Nutrition Site (Ponderosa Apts., Inc.)	Spearfish	SD	\$1,000

- b. The MDU Resources Foundation was chosen as the vehicle for responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and as such is restricted from making contributions that would, in turn, benefit any of its companies directly, including helping recipients with their energy-related expenses.

Furthermore, in its response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the MDU Resources Foundation Board was deliberate about directing funds to those most impacted by the pandemic, specifying foodbanks, shelters and programs for first responders and health-related needs.