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In the Matter of IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY
FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFF
REVISIONS

Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota

DATE	MEMORANDA
11/3 04	Filed and Docketed;
11/4 04	Verbal Filing;
12/17 04	Order Approving Tariff Revisions;
12/17 04	Docket Closed.



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November 2, 2004

Ms. Pamela Bonrud
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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Contact: Melanie A. Acord
Telephone: 563-333-8047

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) submits for filing the following revised gas tariff sheet.

South Dakota Gas Transportation Tariff
SD P.U.C. Section No. III-A

Third Revised Sheet No. 14

Canceling Second Revised Sheet No. 14

This revision eliminates the annual limits for eligible volume under the Monthly Metered Transportation Gas Pilot Project while retaining the requirement of heat sensitive, predictable load. MidAmerican has become aware of several schools with heat sensitive, predictable loads that wish to participate in the pilot project but exceed the 20,000 Dth annual usage limit, and therefore do not qualify. MidAmerican would like to accommodate these larger school accounts. There will not be any impact on other customers nor will it create additional administrative burden for the pilot project.

An original and ten copies of this Gas Advice Letter and accompanying tariff sheet are submitted herewith. Please file stamp one copy and return in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Sincerely,



Melanie A. Acord
Sr. Transitional Pricing Analyst

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Encl.





MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY
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SOUTH DAKOTA GAS TRANSPORTATION TARIFF
SD P.U.C. Section No. III-A
Third Revised Sheet No. 14
Cancels Second Revised Sheet No. 14

RATE DESIGNATION: Monthly Metered Transportation Gas Pilot Project
CLASS OF SERVICE: Gas Transportation Tariffs

I. Definitions:

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"Agent" shall mean one authorized by a party to act in that party's behalf (also known as Pool Operator).

"Balancing Charges" shall mean the fees assessed to the Pool Operator for any volume variance between the Forecasted Daily Gas Supply Requirement and the actual physical deliveries of natural gas, to the Company's distribution system, as measured at each specified interstate pipeline delivery point.

"Cash-out" shall mean the process of reconciling and pricing the volume variance between Participant's actual monthly consumption at each Meter and physical deliveries to the Company's distribution system by the Pool Operator (by Receipt Point).

"CNGP" shall mean Competitive Natural Gas Provider.

"Commission" shall mean the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

"Electronic Bulletin Board" shall mean the MidAmerican internet site which is an electronic bulletin board which shall be used by the Company and the Pool Operator for communication of nominations and other miscellaneous notifications.

"Eligible Volume" shall mean the annual volume of Participants associated with non-transport, non-interruptible Accounts. The Participant's annual volume must be heat sensitive with predictable load, as determined by MidAmerican, subject to Participant or Pool Operator appeal to the Commission.

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"Forecasted Daily Gas Supply Requirement" shall mean the volume in Dths, determined necessary by MidAmerican for the Pool Operator to deliver on a daily basis at specific interstate pipeline delivery points to meet the natural gas requirements for all Participants, inclusive of retention volumes associated with distribution system losses.

"Government Entities" shall mean state, county or city government accounts that have heat sensitive natural gas accounts with predictable load.

"Meter" or **"Account"** shall mean each delivery point where MidAmerican meters and delivers natural gas to a Participant.

"MidAmerican" or **"Company"** shall mean MidAmerican Energy Company.

Date Filed: November 2, 2004

Effective Date: December 3, 2004

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Vice President



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ELECTRIC

EL04-033 In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions.

Application by Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) for approval to revise its tariffed Summary List of Contracts with Deviations. The existing contract with the Town of Reville will expire on December 1, 2004. Otter Tail states the new agreement does not contain any deviations from Otter Tail's currently filed tariff and therefore requests that reference to a contract with the Town of Reville be removed from the Summary List of Contracts with Deviations.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson
Staff Attorneys: Karen Cremer/Sara Harens
Date Filed: 11/01/04
Intervention Deadline: 11/19/04

NATURAL GAS

NG04-011 In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions.

Application by MidAmerican Energy Company to eliminate maximum volumetric limits for participation in the Monthly Metered Transportation Gas Pilot Project. MidAmerican has become aware of several schools which wish to participate in the project but whose usage exceeds the current limits. With this change, these larger schools would be able to participate.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Filed: 11/03/04
Intervention Deadline: 11/19/04

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC04-213 In the Matter of the Filing by Brookings Municipal Utilities d/b/a Swiftel Communications for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

On October 28, 2004, Brookings Municipal Utilities d/b/a Swiftel Communications (Brookings) filed a Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) for wireless personal communications service (PCS) operations in South Dakota. Brookings is authorized by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as a wireless PCS carrier in the partitioned area of the Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan Trading Area (MTA), MTA012, which encompasses Brookings, Lake, Lincoln, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, Turner, Clark, Codington, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, and Roberts counties; in the Sioux Falls Basic Trading Area (BTA), BTA422; in the

Watertown BTA 464; in the partitioned area of the Des Moines-Quad Cities, Iowa MTA032 which encompasses Bon Homme, Clay, Union, and Yankton counties; and in the Sioux City, Iowa BTA421. Brookings requests that it be designated as an ETC in portions of its FCC authorized service area. For the local exchange carrier wire centers that are only partially covered by Brookings' authorized service area, Brookings requests that the Commission designate as an ETC the portion of the wire center where Brookings is authorized to provide service. For wire centers which overlap into South Dakota, Brookings requests that the Commission designate Brookings in the portion of those wire centers that are within South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer

Date Filed: 10/28/04

Intervention Deadline: 11/19/04

TC04-214 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of Transfer of Certificate of Authority from GE Business Productivity Solutions, Inc. to Business Productivity Solutions, Inc.

On November 2, 2004, GE Business Productivity Solutions, Inc. (GEBPS) and Business Productivity Solutions, Inc. (BPS) notified the Commission of an impending transaction involving the transfer of substantially all of the assets of GEBPS, including the GEBPS customer base, to BPS without interruption of service. BPS requests that the Commission grant BPS authority to provide long distance service so that BPS can provide service to the existing customers of GEBPS. GEBPS requests that its certificate of authority be discontinued as of the date of the customer transfer.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best

Staff Attorney: Sara B. Harens

Date Filed: 11/02/04

Intervention Deadline: 11/19/04

TC04-215 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services and Resale of Telecommunications Services between Qwest Corporation and Bullseye Telecom, Inc.

On November 3, 2004, the Commission received a filing for the approval of Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services, and Resale of Telecommunication Services between Qwest Corporation and Bullseye Telecom, Inc. According to the parties, the Agreement "is a negotiated agreement which sets forth the terms, conditions and prices under which Qwest will provide Bullseye network interconnection, access to the unbundled network elements, ancillary services and telecommunications services available for resale within the geographical areas in which Qwest is providing local exchange service at that time, and for which Qwest is the incumbent local exchange carrier within the state of South Dakota, for purposes of providing local telecommunications services." Any party wishing to comment on the Agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the Agreement no later than November 23, 2004. Parties to the Agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Sara B. Harens

Date Filed: 11/03/04

Initial Comments Due: 11/23/04

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR) REVISIONS
APPROVAL OF TARIFF REVISIONS) NG04-011

On November 3, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) requesting approval of gas tariff sheet changes. According to the filing, MidAmerican is proposing to eliminate maximum volumetric limits for participation in the Monthly Metered Transportation Gas Pilot Project. MidAmerican has become aware of several schools that wish to participate in the project but whose usage exceeds the current limits. With this change, these larger schools would be able to participate. MidAmerican proposed that the tariff changes be made effective December 3, 2004. The revised tariff sheet is as follows:

SDPUC Gas Transportation Tariff
Section No. III-A

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At its regularly scheduled meeting of December 14, 2004, the Commission discussed final approval of the application. Commission Staff recommended approval of the revisions to the tariff sheet.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-2, 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, and 49-34A-10 and ARSD 20:10:13:04. The Commission finds the revisions are just and reasonable and approves the changes. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the above-referenced revised tariff is approved and is effective for service rendered on and after December 3, 2004.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 17th day of December, 2004.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u>Melaine Kalbo</u>
Date: <u>12/20/04</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner