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December 11, 2015

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: In the Matter of the Consideration of
Rules Regarding Stray Electrical
Current and Voltage Remediation

Docket No. RM15-001

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., respectfully submits the following comments to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission regarding the proposed stray voltage rules pursuant to the Commission's Order Opening Docket and Establishing Comment Schedule issued on November 18, 2015.

Montana-Dakota appreciates the opportunity to review the proposed rules and provide comments. While, Montana-Dakota does not presently maintain the equipment, training, and resources to properly carry out a stray voltage investigation of this nature, the proposed rules will provide a state certified process to help support the prevention of technical disagreements in regard to stray voltage matters.

Montana-Dakota does not have specific comments to provide at this time but looks forward to participating in the process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink that reads 'Tamie A. Aberle'.

Tamie A. Aberle
Director of Regulatory Affairs