

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST BY ) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF  
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO. TO ) REVISIONS  
REVISE ITS COGENERATION TARIFFS )  
) EL97-019

On October 16, 1997, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) proposed revisions to its cogeneration tariffs, specifically its Occasional Power Purchase Non-Time Differentiated Rate 95, Short-Term Power Purchase Time Differentiated Rate 96, and Long-Term Power Purchase Time Differentiated Rate 97:

Section No. 3, 14th Revised Sheet No. 28, cancelling the 13th Revised Sheet No. 28

Section No. 3, 14th Revised Sheet No. 29, cancelling the 13th Revised Sheet No. 29

Section No. 3, 8th Revised Sheet No. 29.1, cancelling the 7th Revised Sheet No. 29.1

Section No. 3, 14th Revised Sheet No. 30, cancelling the 13th Revised Sheet No. 30

Section No. 3, 11th Revised Sheet No. 30.1, cancelling the 10th Revised Sheet No. 30.1

At a regularly noticed and scheduled meeting of November 18, 1997, the Commission considered approval of the application. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, and 49-34A-12. Further, the rates are just and reasonable and shall be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Montana-Dakota's revised tariffs as described above are approved, and shall be effective for service rendered on and after the date of this order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 1st day of December, 1997.

**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: Adrian Kalbs

Date: 12/2/97

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg  
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson  
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Laska Schoenfelder  
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner