

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY MONTANA-  
DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A DIVISION OF MDU  
RESOURCES GROUP INC., FOR APPROVAL OF  
THE ANNUAL UPDATE TO ITS TRANSMISSION  
COST RECOVERY RIDER RATE**

**ORDER APPROVING  
TCRR RATE AND  
TARIFF REVISIONS**

**EL18-011**

On March 1, 2018, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) for approval of its annual update to its Transmission Cost Recovery Rider (TCRR). MDU's TCRR rate has been adjusted to reflect the projected charges for 2018 assessed to MDU for transmission service provided by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator and Southwest Power Pool, along with projected revenues and/or credits received by MDU for transmission related services. MDU proposes a TCRR of \$0.00545 per kWh effective May 1, 2018. The proposed TCR rate of \$0.00545 per Kwh is applicable to all electric retail rate schedules and reflects an increase of \$0.00107 per Kwh from that currently authorized. The revised tariff sheets are as follows:

State of South Dakota Electric Rate Schedule - SDPUC Volume No. 2

Section No. 3

2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 28.1

Canceling 1<sup>st</sup> Sheet No. 28.1

On March 8, 2018, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 23, 2018, to interested entities and persons on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On March 22, 2018, an Order Assessing Filing Fee was issued. On March 22, 2018, MDU filed its data responses. On April 17, 2018, Commission staff filed its memorandum in this matter.

The Commission 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, and 49-34A-25.1 through 49-34A-25.4, and ARSD 20:10:13.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on April 20, 2018, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval of the revised TCRR rate of \$0.00545 and revised tariff sheet with a May 1, 2018, effective date. Finding the revisions to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the revised TCRR rate and revised tariff sheet, effective May 1, 2018. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the revised TCRR rate and the above-referenced tariff sheet is approved, effective May 1, 2018.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
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, electronically or by mail.
By: <u>Karen E. Cremer</u>
Date: <u>4/25/18</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner