

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY MONTANA-
DAKOTA UTILITIES CO. FOR APPROVAL OF
TARIFF REVISIONS TO ITS RATES FOR RATE
95 AND RATE 96**

**ORDER APPROVING
TARIFF REVISIONS**

EL18-062

On December 28, 2018, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) for approval of tariff revisions for Rate 95 (occasional power purchase non-time differentiated) and Rate 96 (short-term power purchase). This filing updates the energy and capacity payments as well as metering charges based on current data. MDU states it currently has only one customer taking service under these rates and the annual change in revenue due to this filing will be minimal. A February 15, 2019, effective date is requested.

The revised tariff sheets are as follows:

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

Section No. 3

Third Revised Sheet No. 35

Canceling Second Revised Sheet No. 35

Third Revised Sheet No. 36

Canceling Second Revised Sheet No. 36

Second Revised Sheet No. 36.1

Canceling First Revised Sheet No. 36.1

On January 3, 2019, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 18, 2019, to interested entities and persons on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On January 23, 2019, MDU filed its responses to staff's data request.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 16 U.S.C Chapter 12, § 824a-3, 18 C.F.R. Part 292, SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, 49-34A-12, and 49-34A-93, and ARSD 20:10:13:02 through 20:10:13:28.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on February 15, 2019, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval of the tariff revisions with a February 15, 2019, effective date. Finding the revisions to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the revisions, effective February 15, 2019.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that MDU's request to revise its aforementioned tariffs is hereby granted and the revisions are approved, effective for services rendered on and after February 15, 2019.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of February 2019.

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, electronically or by mail.
By: <u>Karon E. Cremer</u>
Date: <u>02/20/19</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner