

**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 INFRASTRUCTURE RIDER RATE	) ) ) ) ) )	ORDER APPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE RIDER RATE  EL19-010
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On March 1, 2019, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a petition from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Subsidiary of MDU Resources Group Inc., (MDU) filed for approval of its annual update to its Infrastructure Rider Rate (IRR), pursuant to the terms of the company's IRR 56 tariff. MDU is proposing to increase the tariff rate to \$0.00583 per kWh for the rate period covered by this filing. The proposed increase is due in part to inclusion of the Thunder Spirit Wind Expansion.

On March 7, 2019, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 22, 2019, to interested entities and persons on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. The revised tariff sheet effective for service rendered on and after May 2, 2019 is as follows:

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

Section No. 3

1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 25

2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 25.1

Cancelling Original Sheet No. 25

Cancelling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 25.1

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, 49-34A-73 through 49-34A-78.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on May 2, 2019, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended the Commission approve MDU's request to increase the existing tariff rate to \$0.00583 per kWh. Finding the request to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve MDU's request. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Infrastructure Rider Rate of \$0.00583 and updated tariff sheets set forth above are approved effective May 2, 2019.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019.

<p><b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u>Adam deHueck</u></p> <p>Date: <u>5/7/19</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner