BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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

ORDER APPROVING
TCRR RATE AND
TARIFF REVISION

EL20-010

On February 28, 2020, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed for approval of its annual update to its Transmission Cost Recovery Rider (TCRR). MDU states the proposed tariff change is necessary to reflect the projected 2020 charges assessed to MDU for transmission-related services provided by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) and Southwest Power Pool (SPP), along with the projected revenues and/or credits received by MDU for transmission-related services. In addition, MDU is including the projected 2020 revenue requirements for two transmission projects in its projected 2020 TCRR update. MDU proposes a TCRR rate of \$0.00513 per kWh effective May 1, 2020, which is a decrease of \$0.00002 per kWh from that currently authorized. The revised tariff sheet is as follows:

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

Section No. 3

4th Revised Sheet No. 28.1

Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 28.1

On March 5, 2020, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of March 20, 2020, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listsery. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On April 8, 2020, MDU filed responses to Commission staff's first data request. On April 9, 2020, 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, 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 14, 2020, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval, as outlined in its memorandum, of the revised TCRR rate of \$0.00513/kWh and revised tariff sheet. 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, 2020. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the revised TCRR rate of \$0.00513/kWh and the above-referenced tariff sheet is hereby approved, effective May 1, 2020.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of April 2020.

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.

By: Ham de Huule

Date: April 20, 2020

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

GARY HANSON, Chairman

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner