

Natural Gas Orders - Issued 1996

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 A CONTRACT WITH DEVIATION WITH IPSWICH PUBLIC SCHOOL))))	ORDER SETTING INTERVENTION DEADLINE NG96-017
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On August 2, 1996, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU), a division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., for a Contract with Deviations. According to the filing, MDU has entered into a Letter Agreement with the Ipswich Public School for natural gas service to the school at a rate that deviates from the currently authorized Rate 66 applicable to all natural gas service provided by MDU in the East River Natural Gas System. The proposed Contract with Deviations will provide MDU with authority to execute this Letter Agreement. The proposed natural gas rate is to be based upon prices for fuel oil and propane for delivery in Ipswich. MDU further requests a waiver of the 30 days notice to the public as required by Commission rules.

A regularly scheduled meeting of August 13, 1996, the Commission considered this matter and authorized the Executive Director to set an intervention deadline before this matter is finally considered by the Commission. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that any parties having comments and wishing to participate in these proceedings shall intervene by 5:00 o'clock P.M., on August 19, 1996. The Commission's address is 500 East Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501, and its fax number is 605-773-3809.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 13th day of August, 1996.

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: _____

Date: _____

BY ORDER OF THE
COMMISSION:

Commissioners Stofferahn, Burg,
Schoenfelder

WILLIAM BULLARD, JR.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Executive Director

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