

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR) REVISIONS
APPROVAL OF TARIFF REVISIONS) NG00-005

On April 13, 2000, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) proposing to incorporate into its gas tariff the same language on diversion which currently exists in MidAmerican's electric tariff. MidAmerican proposed a May 15, 2000, effective date. On April 21, 2000, MidAmerican filed a modification to its April 13, 2000, filing which clarified the conditions under which customers could be subject to meter installation charges associated with diversion. MidAmerican requested that the tariff become effective June 1, 2000. The revised tariff is as follows:

South Dakota Gas Sales Tariff, SD P.U.C. Section No. V, Sub First Revised
Sheet No. 14, Cancels Original Issue Sheet No. 14.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on May 17, 2000, the Commission considered this matter. Commission Staff recommended approval of the tariff.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A-4, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, 49-34A-11, and 49-34A-25. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the tariff revision with the understanding that the customer shall pay for the installation of a tamper-proof meter in any case of tampering or interfering with the proper functioning of a meter installation. The Commission further finds that the filing is just and reasonable and shall be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that the above mentioned proposed tariff is approved and shall be effective for service rendered on and after June 1, 2000.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 23rd day of May, 2000.

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: <u> Melaine Kalbo </u>
Date: <u> 5/25/00 </u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

 James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

 Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner