

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF)
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A)
DIVISION OF MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC.,)
REGARDING SOUTH DAKOTA INTRASTATE)
PIPELINE COMPANY'S RATES FOR PIPELINE)
TRANSPORTATION SERVICE)

**ORDER GRANTING
JOINT MOTION TO
APPROVE SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT**

NG16-006

On June 10, 2016, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU) regarding a Complaint against the South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Company's (SDIP) rates for pipeline transportation service.

On June 16, 2016, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the answer deadline of July 18, 2016 and an intervention date of July 1, 2016, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. On July 14, 2016, SDIP filed a Motion to Dismiss the Complaint. On September 26, 2016, the parties filed a Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement and to close the docket.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-34A.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on September 27, 2016, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission voted unanimously to grant the Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement and close the docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement is granted and the Settlement Agreement approved. It is further

ORDERED, that the docket be closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 3rd day of October, 2016.

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>Adam Detbeck</u>
Date: <u>10/3/16</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner