

 **MONTANA-DAKOTA**
UTILITIES CO.
A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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November 20, 2009

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: Fuel Clause Adjustment
Docket No. EL09-

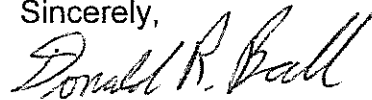
Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith respectfully files a fuel adjustment, statement attached hereto, in accordance with its Fuel Clause Rate 58. The attached statement shows the following:

Cost/Kwh - 3 months ended October 31, 2009	\$0.018338
Base Cost/Kwh Included in Current Rates	0.014704
Increase(Decrease) from Base Cost	<u>\$0.003634</u>
Net Billing Adjustment after 90% Provision	\$0.003271

Montana-Dakota will, unless the Commission otherwise orders, apply the 0.3271 cents per Kwh to service rendered during the month of December 2009. This is an increase of 0.0090 cents from the November level.

Sincerely,



Donald R. Ball
Vice President – Regulatory Affairs

Attachment