

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., a) REGULATORY DIVISION
Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., for)
Authority to Establish Increased Rates for Electric) DOCKET NO. D2015.6.51
Service in the State of Montana)

**MONTANA LARGE CUSTOMER GROUP'S RESPONSES
TO MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.'S
DATA REQUESTS MDU-007 THRU MDU-011**

Montana Large Customer Group ("LCG") provides the attached response to Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s Data Requests MDU-007 thru MDU-011.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of December, 2015.

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DATA REQUESTS

MDU-007: RE: Direct Testimony of Michael P. Gorman
Witness: Gorman

Please provide electronic files in Excel format, with formulas intact for all Exhibits and Schedules that provide the analytical support for the conclusions reached by Mr. Gorman.

Response to MDU-007:

Please see response to PSC-074 for native versions of Mr. Gorman's exhibits. Mr. Gorman's workpapers are being provided as Attachment MDU-007. Mr. Gorman's confidential workpapers will be provided as Confidential Attachment MDU-007 consistent with the Commission's ruling on LCG's motion for a protective order being filed contemporaneously with these responses.

MDU-008: RE: Direct Testimony of Michael P. Gorman
Witness: Gorman

Please provide complete copies of each document, article, text report or treatise cited by Mr. Gorman in his Direct Testimony, Appendices and Exhibits in this case.

Response to MDU-008:

Please see response to MDU-007.

MDU-009: RE: Direct Testimony of Michael P. Gorman
Witness: Gorman

Please provide electronic files in Excel format, with formulas intact that show how Mr. Gorman calculated his Treasury bond risk premium and his utility bond risk premium as described in his testimony on pages 31-36.

Response to MDU-009:

Please see response to MDU-007.

MDU-010: RE: Direct Testimony of Michael P. Gorman
Witness: Gorman

Please provide electronic copies of the following reports:

1. Standard & Poor's RatingsDirect: "Industry Report Card: The Outlook For U.S. Regulated Utilities Remains Stable On Increasing Capital Spending and Robust Financial Performance", December 16, 2014.
2. Fitch Ratings: "2015 Outlook: U.S. Utilities, Power and Gas," December 16, 2014.
3. Moody's Investors Service: "2015 Outlook – US Regulated Utilities: Regulatory Support Drives Our Stable Outlook," December 15, 2014.

Response to MDU-010:

1. Please see response to MDU-007 in the confidential file entitled "MPG Confidential Workpaper 11.pdf."
2. Please see response to MDU-007 in the confidential file entitled "MPG Confidential Workpaper 12.pdf."
3. Please see response to MDU-007 in the confidential file entitled "MPG Confidential Workpaper 13.pdf."

MDU-011: RE: Direct Testimony of Stephen J. Baron
Witness: Baron

Please provide electronic files in Excel format, with formulas intact for all Tables, Exhibits and Schedules that provide the analytical support for the conclusions reached by Mr. Baron.

Response to MDU-011:

Please see response to PSC-074.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this, the 18th day of December, 2015, the **MONTANA LARGE CUSTOMER GROUP’S RESPONSES TO MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.’S DATA REQUESTS MDU-007 THRU MDU-011** was e-filed with the Commission and served via U.S. mail and e-mail, unless otherwise noted, to the following:

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