

Service Date: September 2, 2015

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

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Montana Public Service Commission (Commission) is conducting public meetings in the Matter of the Application of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU), a Division of Montana-Dakota Resources Group, Inc. for authority to establish increased rates for electric service in the State of Montana.

The public meeting in Sidney will commence on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at the USDA ARS Northern Plains Ag Research Lab, 1500 N. Central Ave, Sidney, Montana.

The public meeting in Miles City will commence on Friday, September 25, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at the Miles City Community College, 2715 Dickinson Rm. 316, Miles City, Montana.

On June 25, 2015, MDU, filed its *Application of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for Authority to Establish Increased Rates for Electric Service in the State of Montana* with the Commission. MDU's proposed rates would provide an additional \$11,755,752 of annual revenue, a 21.1% increase overall. The application also requests an interim increase of \$10,977,525. MDU states that it is proposing to increase rates because of compliance with new Environmental Protection Agency requirements involving coal facilities, the addition of wind and gas turbine facilities, and transmission investments. The proposed rate increase will affect approximately 25,840 electric customers in Montana.

The meetings are for the purpose of receiving public comment for consideration by the Commission. The Montana Consumer Counsel and MDU may be in attendance to present a

short informational presentation and answer questions from the audience. Anyone needing an accommodation for a physical, hearing, or sight impairment in order to attend or participate in the meeting should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199 at least one week prior to the meeting. The Commission will make every effort to accommodate individual impairments.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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