

Service Date: April 30, 1998

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

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IN THE MATTER OF MONTANA POWER)	UTILITY DIVISION
COMPANY, Annual Application to Implement)	
its Unreflected Gas Cost, Gas Cost Tracking,)	DOCKET NO. D97.11.212
and Gas Transportation Adjustment Clause)	ORDER NO. 6026c

FINAL ORDER

On November 7, 1997, Montana Power Company (MPC) filed before the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) an application for approval to implement its annual unreflected gas cost, gas cost tracking, and gas transportation adjustment clause procedures. On November 28, 1997, the PSC issued an Interim Order (Order No. 6026a), approving MPC's application as filed.

A Procedural Order was issued by the PSC on January 16, 1998 (Order No. 6026b). No activity of record has occurred on the matter since that time. The only intervenor to the proceeding, the Montana Consumer Counsel, has been contacted and has stated that there are no issues that it intends to further pursue in the matter.

The PSC hereby vacates the hearing scheduled for May 13, 1998, and adopts the Interim Order as the Final Order governing in this matter. A copy of the Interim Order is attached as Appendix A and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Done and dated this 21st day of April, 1998 by a vote of 5-0.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DAVE FISHER, Chair

NANCY MCCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.