

Service Date: August 29, 2011

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

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IN THE MATTER OF Submission of ) REGULATORY DIVISION  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Company's )  
2011 Integrated Electric Resource Plan ) DOCKET NO. N2011.8.70

**NOTICE OF FILING OF INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN AND COMMENT  
DEADLINE**

On August 15, 2011, Montana-Dakota Utilities Company ("MDU"), pursuant to § 69-3-1204, MCA and ARM 38.5.2012 (1), submitted its electric integrated least-cost resource plan ("least-cost plan") to the Montana Public Service Commission ("Commission"). MDU's least cost plan may be reviewed by the public at the Commission offices in Helena or via a document search on the PSC website; at MDU's offices in Glendive, Miles City and Billings; and at county, university, college and junior college libraries in MDU's service territory. Please inquire at those offices and libraries. An executive summary of the least-cost plan may be obtained by contacting an MDU office.

The PSC authorizes its staff, the Montana Consumer Counsel, and the Montana Department of Environmental Quality to submit written questions to MDU on the plan.

The Commission waives the 30-day comment period established in ARM § 38.5.2012 (2) and extends the comment deadline to October 28, 2011. Comments must be electronically submitted (e-filed) on the PSC's website at <http://psc.mt.gov> (go to "Electronic Documents" then "Login & Registration Page"). The filing party must also deliver or mail the original comments in paper format to the PSC by the filing deadline. The PSC will upload E-filed documents to the PSC's website after the paper original has been officially received at the PSC office. The PSC address is: 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601. Copies of comments should also be mailed to the Montana Consumer Counsel, P.O. Box 201703, 111

North Last Chance Gulch Helena, Montana 59620-1703; the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, 1520 East Sixth Avenue, P.O. Box 202301, Helena, Montana 59620-2301; and MDU, 400 North Fourth Street, Bismarck, ND 58501.

Pursuant to § 69-3-1205, MCA, the PSC will conduct a public meeting for the purpose of receiving public comment on the least-cost plan. The time and location of this meeting will be noticed at a later date.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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