

Service Date: September 28, 2017

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

IN THE MATTER OF the Application of) REGULATORY DIVISION
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for Authority)
to Establish Increased Rates For Natural Gas) DOCKET NO. D2017.9.79
Service in the State of Montana)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND INTERVENTION DEADLINE

On September 14, 2017, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (“MDU”) filed with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) its Application for Approval to Increase its Rates for Natural Gas Service (“Application”). MDU proposes a total increase in natural gas distribution revenue of \$2,820,168 representing a 4.1% total increase in rates among the various customer classes. MDU also submitted an Application for Interim Increase in accordance with Mont. Admin. R. 38.5.501–38.5.506 (2017).

A copy of the filing is available for inspection at the Commission’s business offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601; and the Montana Consumer Counsel (MCC), 111 North Last Chance Gulch, Suite 1B, P.O. Box 201703, Helena, Montana 59620-1703, telephone (406) 444-2771. The MCC is available to represent the interests of the consuming public in this matter.

Any interested person who is directly affected by MDU’s filing before the Commission and who wants to be a party to the docket must file a petition to intervene with the Commission **no later than October 19, 2017**. By the intervention deadline, a person petitioning for intervention must: (1) Submit the petition electronically (e-file) on the Commission's website at <http://psc.mt.gov> (“Account Login/Registration” under “Electronic Documents” tab); and (2) physically deliver or mail the original petition to the Commission at the address above. The Commission will not post an e-filed document to its website until it receives the original from the petitioner. A person petitioning for intervention in this Docket must also serve a hard copy of the

petition on the MCC and MDU's counsel, Mike Green, Crowley Fleck PLLP, 900 N. Last Chance Gulch, Suite 200, Helena, MT 59601.

An interested person that does not wish to formally intervene in this Docket may submit written public comments on the matter to the Commission at the above address, or by email to psc_utilitycomment@mt.gov. A form for making comments may be found at <http://psc.mt.gov> (go to "Comment on Proceedings").

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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