BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A DIVISION OF MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO ITS OCCASIONAL POWER PURCHASE NON-TIME DIFFERENTIATED RATE 95, SHORT-TERM POWER PURCHASE TIME DIFFERENTIATED RATE 96 AND LONG-TERM POWER PURCHASE TIME DIFFERENTIATED RATE 97	)	ORDER APPROVING TARIFF REVISIONS EL01-011

On June 1, 2001, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., Bismarck, North Dakota (MDU), filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) proposed revisions to its cogeneration tariffs, specifically its Occasional Power Purchase Non-Time Differentiated Rate 95, Short-Term Power Purchase Time Differentiated Rate 96, and Long-Term Power Purchase Time Differentiated Rate 97:

Section 3, 18th Revised Sheet No. 28, cancelling 17th Revised Sheet No. 28

Section 3, 18th Revised Sheet No. 29, cancelling 17th Revised Sheet No. 29

Section 3, 11th Revised Sheet No. 29.1, cancelling 10th Revised Sheet No. 29.1

Section 3, 18th Revised Sheet No. 30, cancelling 17th Revised Sheet No. 30

At its regularly scheduled meeting of July 10, 2001, the Commission considered approval of the application. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A. Further, the revisions are just and reasonable and shall be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that MDU's revised tariffs as described above are approved and shall be effective for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 12th day of July, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

By: Delaine Kolbo

Date: 7/13/01

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner