



**MONTANA-DAKOTA**  
UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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January 15, 2016

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
500 East Capitol  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: Fuel Clause Adjustment  
February 2016

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith respectfully files a fuel adjustment, statement attached hereto, in accordance with its Fuel Clause Rate 58. The attached statement shows the following:

Cost/Kwh - 3 months ended December 31, 2015	\$0.024210
Base Cost/Kwh Included in Current Rates	0.014704
Increase(Decrease) from Base Cost	<u>\$0.009506</u>
Net Billing Adjustment after 90% Provision	\$0.008555

Montana-Dakota will, unless the Commission otherwise orders, apply the 0.8555 cents per Kwh for service rendered during the month of February 2016. This is an increase of 0.1065 cents from the January level.

Montana-Dakota began taking service from the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) on October 1, 2015 upon Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) joining SPP to replace WAPA Network Integrated Transmission Service agreement. As such, Montana-Dakota will be responsible for additional energy related cost components, including marginal congestion and losses, for certain energy deliveries which rely on SPP transmission.

Sincerely,

Tamie A. Aberle  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Attachment