



# MONTANA-DAKOTA

UTILITIES CO.

A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

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

Re: East River Natural Gas System  
Transportation Service Rate 86  
Docket No. NG12- \_\_\_\_\_

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith submits an Application requesting authority to implement an Interruptible Natural Gas Transportation Service to be made available to customers in its East River Natural Gas System.

In support of this Application, Montana-Dakota includes the following exhibits:

- Exhibit 1- Proposed Tariff Sheets
  - Table of Contents (Section 1 - 5<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 1 and 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 1.1) amended to include the new East River Transportation Service tariff.
  - East River Natural Gas System Transportation Service Rate 86 (Section 3 - Original Sheet Nos. 27 – 27.7).
  - East River Gas Transportation Agreement (Section 6 – Original Sheet Nos. 25-25.4).
- Exhibit 2 - Report of Tariff Schedule Change pursuant to ARSD 20:10:13:26.
- Exhibit 3 - Customer Notice pursuant to ARSD 20:10:13:18.

Montana-Dakota proposes an optional transportation service rate for its East River natural gas service customers whose interruptible natural gas service load will exceed an input rate of 2,500,000 Btu per hour, metered at a single delivery point. Montana-Dakota currently offers a similar natural gas transportation service in its Black Hills service territory.

Please refer all inquiries regarding this filing to:

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Montana-Dakota respectfully requests that this filing be accepted as being in full compliance with the filing requirements of this Commission.

Sincerely,



Tamie A. Aberle  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Attachment  
cc: D. Kuntz