

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR)
REVISIONS TO ITS GAS TRANSPORTATION)
TARIFF)

ORDER APPROVING
TARIFF REVISIONS

NG97-001

On February 26, 1997, MidAmerican Energy Company, Sioux City, Iowa (MidAmerican), filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) proposed revisions to its natural gas tariffs, specifically its South Dakota Gas Tariff. The application stated: "MidAmerican is filing Gas Transportation Tariff changes to comply with the approved standardized business practices developed by the Gas Industry Standard Board (GISB). On July 17, 1996 and January 30, 1997, FERC issued Orders No. 587 and 587-B requiring interstate pipelines to comply with the requirements of the GISB standard and to implement the standard effective on a staggered basis. For the pipelines serving MidAmerican the implementation schedule is April 1, 1997 for Northern, May 1, 1997 for Natural NGPL and June 1, 1997 for ANR pipeline. These pipeline changes require Company tariff revisions to incorporate the standards. Since Northern will be implementing the changes effective April 1, 1997 it is necessary for MidAmerican to make tariff revisions necessary to coincide with Northern." MidAmerican filed the following tariff sheets for Commission approval:

First Revised Sheet No. 4 Cancels Original Issue Sheet No. 4
Second Revised Sheet No. 32 Cancels First Revised Sheet No. 32
Second Revised Sheet No. 34 Cancels First Revised Sheet No. 34
First Revised Sheet No. 35 Cancels Original Issue Sheet No. 35
First Revised Sheet No. 45 Cancels Original Issue Sheet No. 45
First Revised Sheet No. 46 Cancels Original Issue Sheet No. 46

At a regularly noticed and scheduled meeting of April 1, 1997, 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 MidAmerican's revised tariffs as described above are approved and shall be effective for service rendered on and after April 1, 1997.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10th day of April, 1997.

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.	
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner