

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY) MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR) APPROVAL OF ITS 2000 ECONOMIC) DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND ITS 2001) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN))	ORDER APPROVING 2000 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND 2001 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN NG01-001
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On January 4, 2001, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received MidAmerican Energy Company's (MidAmerican) 2000 Economic Development Annual Report and proposed Economic Development Plan for 2001. The proposed plan was filed in accordance with Docket NG98-014 which continues the requirements set forth in Docket NG95-006. On January 16, 2001, Commission Staff requested the company file additional data in regard to this matter which the company did.

For 2001, MidAmerican's proposed economic development investment budget is \$35,000. The actual expenditures for the 2000 Economic Development Plan were \$37,068.

At its regularly scheduled March 6, 2001, meeting, the Commission reviewed MidAmerican's 2000 Economic Development Report and Economic Development Plan for 2001. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, specifically, SDCL 49-34A-4 and 49-34A-6. After review of the report and plan, the Commission found that they are just and reasonable and voted to approve them. It is therefore

ORDERED, that MidAmerican's 2000 Economic Development Report and Economic Development Plan for 2001 are approved as filed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of March, 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: <u><i>Allaine Kelbo</i></u>
Date: <u>3/12/01</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner