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 **MONTANA-DAKOTA**  
UTILITIES CO.  
A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

400 North Fourth Street  
Bismarck, ND 58501  
(701) 222-7900

October 19, 2006

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  
Docket No. EL06-

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith respectfully files an original and two (2) copies of 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 September 30, 2006	\$0.017234
Base Cost/Kwh Included in Current Rates	<u>0.014704</u>
Increase(Decrease) from Base Cost	0.002530
 Net Billing Adjustment after 90% Provision	 \$.002277

Montana-Dakota will, unless the Commission otherwise orders, apply the .2277 cents per Kwh to all bills rendered during the month of November 2006. This is a decrease of .4183 cents from the October level.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of this letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,



Donald R. Ball

Vice President – Regulatory Affairs