



Notice of North Dakota Public Input Sessions

The North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) has scheduled two informal public input sessions to be held remotely on **Tuesday March 2, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. central time and 5:30 p.m. central time** to allow customers of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota) and Great Plains Natural Gas Co. (Great Plains) the opportunity to present their input regarding Montana-Dakota's application to increase their natural gas distribution rates filed with the Commission on August 26, 2020. Due to the state of emergency, the public input sessions will be held remotely.

Montana-Dakota's request is for an overall increase of 7.8 percent over current rates or approximately \$8.97 million in additional annual revenues if approved by the Commission. The increase is primarily due to increased investment in the Company's natural gas facilities to improve system safety and reliability. A Montana-Dakota residential customer would see an average increase of \$6.26 per month annually if approved.

As part of this regulatory filing, Montana-Dakota is also seeking to combine natural gas operations within North Dakota, which



means transitioning the 2,355 Great Plains customers in Wahpeton and surrounding areas to Montana-Dakota. Upon implementation of final rates in this case, Great Plains' Wahpeton customers will be served under Montana-Dakota's tariffs, and after a one-year transition period, will begin receiving their natural gas bills under a Montana-Dakota invoice.

Proposed rate schedules and supporting testimony and schedules are available at https://www.montana-dakota.com/rates-services/rate-cases/#north_dakota or by contacting a customer service representative at 1-800-638-3278.

Public input sessions provide a chance for customers to learn more about the rate case issues. Customers are encouraged to make comments, suggestions and ask questions regarding Montana-Dakota's application.

**You are invited to participate in a public input session on March 2, 2021
@ 12:00 p.m. Central Time
OR
@ 5:30 p.m. Central Time.**

The public is encouraged to view the public input sessions electronically via <https://psc.nd.gov/public/meetings/live.php> or listen telephonically via 1-888-585-9008 with room code 259-316-322.

Written public input may be submitted through email via ndpsc@nd.gov or by mail addressed to:

Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

The public may also provide input over the phone by calling 701-328-4081 to be placed on a list. On March 2, 2021, the Commission will call you back during the designated input session.

For more information, please contact the North Dakota Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505 or at 701-328-2400 or 877-245-6685 (toll free in North Dakota) or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.