## PUBLIC NOTICE (RENEWABLE ENERGY RIDER PILOT RATE 15)

Issued by Wyoming Public Service Commission

Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) authorized Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU or Company) to increase the Renewable Energy Rider Pilot Rate 15 (Rate 15) from \$0.03 to \$0.04 per block. The Commission's approval is subject to notice, protest, intervention, refund, change, further investigation, opportunity for hearing and such further action as deemed appropriate by the Commission.

On April 2, 2018, MDU filed its Application requesting to increase the currently authorized rate of \$0.03 to \$0.04 per block for Rate 15. Rate 15 is a five-year pilot program that allows customers the opportunity to purchase renewable energy credits (REC) in blocks of 100 kWh. MDU's request would increase participating customers' bills by approximately \$0.19 each month. The Company explained the primary reason for the requested per-block increase is a decrease in the over-recovery of program costs. MDU stated program participants purchased 3,138 blocks of renewable energy in 2018, with the Company purchasing 314 additional RECs to fulfill customer subscriptions, which resulted in \$94.14 of 2017-program revenue and \$178.23 of 2017-program costs. The total accumulated balance in the balancing account at December 31, 2017, was approximately \$50,00.

MDU's Application is on file with the Commission at its offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and in MDU's Wyoming business offices. The Application is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours or online at: http://psc.state.wy.us/.

Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before September 20, 2018. A proposed intervention or request for hearing must set forth the grounds under which they are made and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please mention Docket No. 20004-I 32-EA-18 (Record No. 14968) in your communications.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications-impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.