Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.



State of North Dakota Electric Rate Schedule

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ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY RIDER Rate 57

Bismarck, ND 58501

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1. Applicability:

This rate schedule represents an Environmental Cost Recovery Rider (ECRR) and specifies the procedure to be utilized to recover the jurisdictional costs to be incurred by the Company in complying with federal and state environmental mandates determined to be eligible for recovery under NDCC 49-05-04.2. Costs to be recovered may include capital expenditures, depreciation, taxes, and a current return on the project costs during construction. Costs being recovered under this tariff are currently not included in the rates established at the time of the Company's last general rate case.

2. Environmental Cost Recovery Rider:

- a. An adjustment per Kwh will be calculated using the projected capital costs and related expenses, along with the forecasted Kwh sales, to determine a North Dakota jurisdictional revenue requirement to be recovered through the ECRR. The return component of the revenue requirement calculation will be the authorized rate of return from the Company's most recent general rate case.
- b. The ECRR is applicable to all retail customers for electric energy sold, except those served under special contracts, and are allocated amongst the rate classes based on the Company's Demand Factor No. 2 established in the Company's most recent general rate case.
- c. The ECRR will be adjusted annually (or other period authorized by the Commission) to reflect the Company's most recent projected capital costs and related expenses for projects determined to be eligible under NDCC 49-05-04.2.
- d. A true-up will reflect any over or under collection of revenue under the ECRR based on actual expenditures from the preceding twelve month recovery period plus carrying charges or credits accrued at a rate equal to the three-month Treasury Bill rate as published monthly by the Federal Reserve Board.

3. Environmental Cost Recovery Rider:

Residential and Small General	0.000¢ per Kwh
Large General	0.000¢ per Kwh
Lighting	0.000¢ per Kwh