

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
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NEWS RELEASE

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**PSC to Hold Informal Hearing in Case No. PU-05-348,
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. Cost of Gas Adjustment – Natural Gas**

The North Dakota Public Service Commission will be holding an informal hearing to discuss the method to be used by Montana Dakota Utilities Co. to refund approximately \$6.9 million to its North Dakota natural gas customers. Input from gas customers is encouraged.

The following is the date, time and location of the informal hearing:

Monday, July 11, 2005
1:30 PM (CDT)
Commission Hearing Room
State Capitol, 12th Floor
Bismarck ND 58505-0480

The informal hearing is an opportunity for the Commission to gather information about the attributes of various refund methods. The informal hearing is also an opportunity for natural gas customers to comment on the issue.

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