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Ponca City, OK 74603

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE SUM OF TEN AND NO/100 DOLLARS (3\*\*10.00\*\*) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is Oklahoma, ("Grantor") does hereby grant and convey, without warranty, either express or maintain, inspect and remove an underground distribution line, an overhead transmission line and a substation over, through, and on the following described tract of land situated in nereby acknowledged, CONOCO INC., a Delaware Corporation, with offices in Ponca City, implied, to MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, ("Grantee"), whose address is 400 North Fourth Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501, its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive Easement to construct, operate, SHERIDAN COUNTY, State of WYOMING, to wit:

## RE: UNDERGROUND DISTRIBUTION LINE

situated in the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE/4 SW/4) of Section 7, Township 54 North, Range 83 West, 6th P.M., Sheridan County, strip of land ten (10) feet wide being five (5) feet on either side of a centerline Wyoming; said centerline described as follows:

2751.96 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence N53°28'59"E, 89.48 feet along said Centerline to a point; thence N00°38'21"W, 49.45 feet along said Centerline to a point; thence N05°50'54"W, 44.39 feet along said Centerline to a point; thence N05°123"W, 55.31 feet along said Centerline to a point; thence N26°12'28"W, 55.31 feet along said Centerline to a point; thence N36°19'10"E, 18.36 feet along said Centerline to the Point of Terminus, said point lying on the Westerly Right-of-Way line of U.S. Highway 87 and being N59°38'39"E, 2902.19 feet from said Southwest Corner of Section 7. Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 7; thence N62°44'09"E,

## OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION LINE RE:

tty (20) feet wide being ten (10) feet on either side of a 1 the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE/4 Township 54 North, Range 83 West, 6th P.M., Sheridan County, Wyoming; said centerline described as follows: centerline situated in the Northeast Quarter SW/4) of Section 7, Township 54 North, Ra A strip of land twenty

Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 7; thence N62°22'57"E, 2760.10 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence N88°16'35"E, 148.85 feet along said Centerline to the Point of Terminus, said point lying on the Westerly Right-of-Way line of U.S. Highway 87, and being N63°40'09"E, 2894.74 feet from said Southwest Corner of Section 7.

## RE: SUBSTATION

A tract of land situated in the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE/4 SW/4) of Section 7, Township 54 North, Range 83 West, 6th P.M., Sheridan County, Wyoming; said parcel more particularly described as follows:

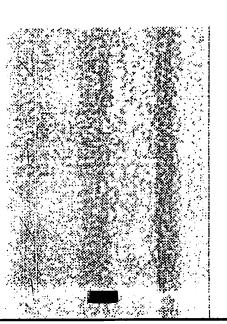
Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 7; thence N62°17'53"E, 2687.78 feet to the Point of Beginning of said tract, said point being N62°16'56"E, 343.95 feet from the Southwest Corner of a tract of land described in Book 266 of Deeds, Page 300; thence N01°40'35"W, 59.40 feet to a point on an existing fence line; thence N87°52'08"E, 66.86 feet along said fence line to a point; thence S01°50'49"E, 60.71 feet to a point; thence S88°59'23"W, 66.86 feet to the Point of Beginning; containing 4009.85 square feet of land, more or less.

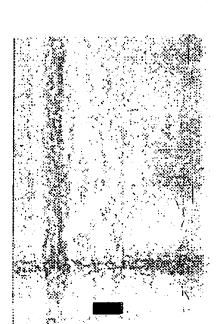
together with the right of ingress and egress to and from said distribution line, overhead transmission line and substation, at points designated by Grantor, for the purposes aforesaid.

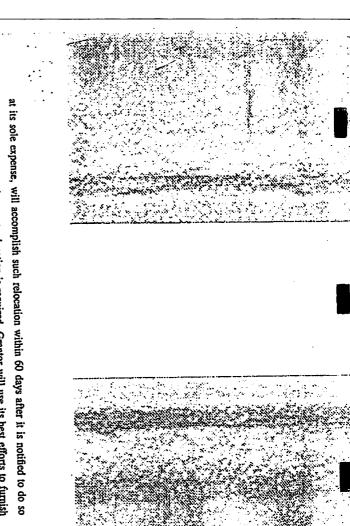
The Easement herein granted is subject to any prior easements, oil and gas leases, or any other grants, conveyances, or contracts affecting the land of Grantor described herein.

The Easement is granted subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Grantee shall construct and operate said distribution line, overhead transmission line and substation in conformity with all applicable federal, state, and local safety regulations issued by appropriate governmental agencies having jurisdiction in the premises. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Grantee hereby covenants to bury its distribution line to a minimum depth of three and one-half (3½) feet.
- Grantee shall pay for all damages to fences, crops, premises, and improvements
  of the Grantor or any third party which may be suffered by reasons of construction,
  maintenance, operation, or use of said distribution line, overhead transmission line and
  substation.
- 3. Grantee will provide Grantor with an as-built survey which will be attached to and become a part of this Agreement. The beginning and ending points of the survey shall be tied to property corners by angles and distance and tie points shown every 200 feet.
- 4. Grantor shall have the right to use fully and enjoy the above-described premises not inconsistent with the rights hereinabove granted and in the event the business or operations of Grantor should make it necessary or desirable in the Grantor's sole discretion to use the property which is subject to the Easement in a manner which would make it necessary or advisable to relocate said distribution line, overhead transmission line and substation, Grantee,





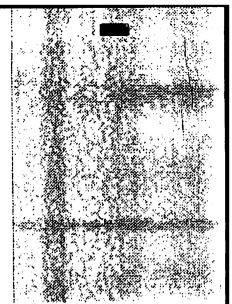


by the Grantor. In the event relocation is required, Grantor will use its best efforts to furnish substation is to be relocated. Grantce agrees, in the event of such request by Grantor, that in at no additional cost, subject to the terms of this instrument. Grantee with suitable right of way for the relocation at another location on Grantor's property accomplishing any relocation, it will leave the property which is subject to the Easement in location on Grantor's property to which the distribution line, overhead transmission line and substantially the same condition as when entered upon by the Grantee. Such notice shall designate the

- parties hereto or any third party) in any way arising out of or resulting from the construction, harmless from and against any and all claims or damages of whatsoever kind (whether of the transmission line and substation. relocation, maintenance, inspection, removal, or operation of said distribution line, overhead Grantee shall assume and be liable for and shall indemnify and save Grantor
- overhead transmission line, substation and all appurtenances thereto shall revert to and become for noncompliance with the terms hereof. Should such Easement terminate, the distribution line, granted for a period of 12 months without the necessity of any action of either party hereto, or successors or assigns, cease continually to use the Easement for the purposes of which it is the sole property of Grantor. This Agreement shall be automatically terminated and canceled when Grantee, its

provided, however, that Grantee shall not have the right to assign this Agreement or any of its and be binding upon the Grantor and Grantee and their respective successors and assigns; Grantee with respect to the granting of the Easement, and the same shall inure to the benefit of right hereunder, in whole or in part, by operation of law or otherwise, without the prior written consent of Grantor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld This Agreement contains all of the agreements and stipulations between the Grantor and 

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the this 40 day of May	undersigned have executed this Right of Way Agreement
SEAL COLL Assistant Secretary [Corporate Seal]	CONOCO INC.  By:
Secretary LESTER H. LOBLE, II, SECRETARY [Corporate Seal]	MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.  By:
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