

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - NATURAL GAS UTILITY

STATEMENT I, DEPRECIATION
 DEPLETION & AMORTIZATION EXPENSE

Functional Classification	2008 Book Expense	Claimed Adjustments	Total Adjusted Expense
Storage Plant	525,460.55	0.00	525,460.55
Transmission Plant	3,601,915.49	0.00	3,601,915.49
Distribution Plant	5,422,402.03	426,373.00	5,848,775.03
General Plant	774,780.81	0.00	774,780.81
Common	902,751.50	0.00	902,751.50
Total Depreciation	11,227,310.38	426,373.00	11,653,683.38
Intangible Plant	94,517.16	0.00	94,517.16
Storage Plant	50,749.94	0.00	50,749.94
Transmission Plant	103,373.48	0.00	103,373.48
Distribution Plant	13,996.57	0.00	13,996.57
Common	1,232,898.45	0.00	1,232,898.45
Total Amortization	1,495,535.60	0.00	1,495,535.60
Grand Total	12,722,845.98	426,373.00	13,149,218.98
Claimed Adjustments:			
1 Depr Expense on \$38M Stipulation		426,373.00	
		426,373.00	

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - MONTANA GAS DEPARTMENT

STATEMENT I, DEPRECIATION
DEPLETION & AMORTIZATION EXPENSE

<u>Functional Classification</u>	<u>2008 Book Expense</u>	<u>Claimed Adjustments</u>	<u>Total Adjusted Expense</u>
Storage Plant	525,460.55	0.00	525,460.55
Transmission Plant	3,601,650.41	0.00	3,601,650.41
Distribution Plant	5,422,402.03	426,373.00	5,848,775.03
General Plant	765,309.46	0.00	765,309.46
Common	902,751.50	0.00	902,751.50
<u>Total Depreciation</u>	<u>11,217,573.95</u>	<u>426,373.00</u>	<u>11,643,946.95</u>
Intangible Plant	94,517.16	0.00	94,517.16
Storage Plant	50,749.94	0.00	50,749.94
Transmission Plant	103,365.57	0.00	103,365.57
Distribution Plant	13,996.57	0.00	13,996.57
Common	1,232,898.45	0.00	1,232,898.45
<u>Total Amortization</u>	<u>1,495,527.69</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,495,527.69</u>
<u>Grand Total</u>	<u>12,713,101.64</u>	<u>426,373.00</u>	<u>13,139,474.64</u>
Claimed Adjustments:			
1 Depr Expense on \$38M Stipulation		426,373.00	
		<u>426,373.00</u>	

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - CANADIAN MONTANA PIPELINE COMPANY

STATEMENT I, DEPRECIATION
 DEPLETION & AMORTIZATION EXPENSE

<u>Functional Classification</u>	<u>2008 Book Expense</u>	<u>Claimed Adjustments</u>	<u>Total Adjusted Expense</u>
Transmission Plant	265.08	0.00	265.08
General Plant	9,471.35	0.00	9,471.35
<u>Total CMPL Depr in U.S. Funds</u>	<u>9,736.43</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>9,736.43</u>
Transmission Plant	7.91	0.00	7.91
General Plant	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Total CMPL Amort in U.S. Funds</u>	<u>7.91</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>7.91</u>
Grand Total	9,744.34	0.00	9,744.34
Claimed Adjustments:		<u>0.00</u>	

NorthWestern Energy - Docket D2007.7.82 Stipulation Agreement -- Rate Base Reduction associated with \$ 38,800,000 of 2008 & 2009 Plant Expenditures

Year End	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Year End	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Annual Expenditure																
2008	\$ 19,400,000	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020
2009	\$ 19,400,000	0	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020	646,020
2010																
Total	\$ 38,800,000	\$ 646,020	\$ 1,938,060	\$ 3,230,100	\$ 4,522,140	\$ 5,814,180	\$ 7,106,220	\$ 8,398,260	\$ 9,690,300	\$ 10,982,340	\$ 12,274,380	\$ 13,566,420	\$ 14,858,460	\$ 16,150,500	\$ 17,442,540	\$ 18,734,580

Year End	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Year End	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Accumulated Depreciation Reserve Based on NorthWestern's Montana Depreciation practice of accruing a full year of depreciation expense following the year placed into service.																
Electric (2/3's)	432,833	1,298,500	2,164,167	3,029,834	3,895,501	4,761,167	5,626,834	6,492,501	7,358,168	8,223,835	9,089,501	9,955,168	10,820,835	11,686,502	12,552,169	
Gas (1/3)	213,187	639,560	1,065,833	1,492,306	1,918,679	2,345,053	2,771,426	3,197,799	3,624,172	4,050,545	4,476,919	4,903,282	5,329,655	5,756,028	6,182,411	
Net Rate Base	25,996,000	25,563,167	24,697,500	23,831,833	22,966,166	22,100,499	21,234,833	20,369,166	19,503,499	18,637,832	17,772,165	16,906,499	16,040,832	15,175,165	14,309,498	13,443,831
Electric	12,804,000	12,590,813	12,164,440	11,738,067	11,311,694	10,885,321	10,458,947	10,032,574	9,606,201	9,179,828	8,753,455	8,327,081	7,900,708	7,474,335	7,047,962	6,621,589
Gas	38,800,000	38,153,980	35,851,940	35,569,900	34,277,860	32,985,820	31,693,780	30,401,740	29,109,700	27,817,660	26,525,620	25,233,580	23,941,540	22,649,500	21,357,460	20,065,420

Depreciation Expense based upon a 30 year straight life = 3.33% annual depreciation accrual rate.

Electric portion assigned 2/3's and Natural Gas portion assigned 1/3 per Stipulation

In the 2009 Rate Filing based upon a 2008 Test Period, the total Rate Base reduction is \$ 38,800,000 per the Stipulation Agreement - Appendix A.

In the 2009 Rate Filing based upon a 2008 Test Period, the depreciation expense associated with the \$38M is to be included in the cost of service per the Stipulation Agreement - Appendix A.

Plant Base	\$ 38,800,000
Annual Accrual Rate	3.33%
Total Expense	\$ 1,292,040
Electric Depreciation Expense	\$ 865,667
Gas Depreciation Expense	\$ 426,373

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY TANA GAS PLANT - 2008 ACCRUAL CALCULATION

	Plant Balance 12/31/2007	Depr. Reserve 12/31/2007	OC-D 12/31/2007	Accrual %	Estimated 2008 Accrual	Actual SAP 2008 Accrual
G302 Franchise & Consents	40,468.97	0.00	40,468.97	0.0000	0	0.00
G303.1 Computer Software	412,515.09	225,787.68	186,727.41	0.2000	82,503	82,503.01
G303.6 Air Quality Permits	180,931.35	168,917.20	12,014.15	0.0667	12,014	12,014.15
Total Intangible Plant	633,915.41	394,704.88	239,210.53		94,517	94,517.16
G350.1 Land	11,251.66	11,807.44	-555.78	0.0000	0	0.00
G350.2 Leaseholds	596,860.20	614,068.92	-17,208.72	0.0191	11,400	11,400.05
G350.3 Storage Rights	3,659,677.27	1,657,291.32	2,002,385.95	0.0104	38,061	38,060.64
G350.4 Rights-of-Way	135,711.79	87,846.85	47,864.94	0.0095	1,289	1,289.25
G351 Structures	3,012,260.41	918,466.88	2,093,793.53	0.0190	57,233	57,232.98
G352.1 Wells - Construction	5,793,946.02	3,917,887.11	1,876,058.91	0.0187	108,347	108,346.82
G352.2 Wells - Equipment	2,013,454.17	1,412,503.29	600,950.88	0.0205	41,276	41,275.78
G353 Lines	7,942,838.41	4,701,966.91	3,240,871.50	0.0154	122,320	122,319.71
G354 Compressor Station Equipment	7,358,334.10	3,367,176.86	3,991,157.24	0.0178	130,978	130,978.35
G355 Measuring & Regulating Station Equip	2,162,563.95	1,086,841.41	1,075,722.54	0.0215	46,495	46,495.14
G356 Purification Equipment	225,030.41	234,965.13	-9,934.72	0.0009	203	202.55
G357 Other Equipment	834,494.41	843,560.09	-9,065.68	0.0223	18,609	18,609.22
Total Storage Plant	33,746,422.80	18,854,382.21	14,892,040.59		576,211	576,210.49
G365.1 Land	505,670.58	159,381.96	346,288.62	0.0000	0	5.41
G365.2 Rights-of-Way	6,460,010.43	2,211,595.92	4,248,414.51	0.0160	103,360	103,360.16
G366 Structures - Improvements	9,651,947.04	2,686,251.37	6,965,695.67	0.0175	168,909	168,909.22
G367 Mains	165,694,753.52	57,757,617.23	107,937,136.29	0.0162	2,684,255	2,684,190.61
G368 Compressor Station Equipment	17,851,270.29	8,222,364.83	9,628,905.46	0.0242	432,001	432,000.77
G369 Measuring & Regulating Station Equip.	13,029,675.22	4,440,647.70	8,589,027.52	0.0237	308,803	308,803.39
G371 Other Equipment	268,973.55	36,748.66	232,224.89	0.0288	7,746	7,746.42
Total Transmission Plant	213,462,300.63	75,514,607.67	137,947,692.96		3,705,074	3,705,015.98

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY TANA GAS PLANT - 2008 ACCRUAL CALCULATION

	Plant Balance 12/31/2007	Depr. Reserve 12/31/2007	OC-D 12/31/2007	Accrual %	Estimated 2008 Accrual	Actual SAP 2008 Accrual
G374.1 Land	158,056.50	48,237.36	109,819.14	0.0000	0	0.00
G374.3 Land Rights	744,499.17	312,042.40	432,456.77	0.0188	13,997	13,996.57
G375 Structures	71,404.09	-4,798.77	76,202.86	0.0219	1,564	1,563.77
G376.1 Mains - Steel Pipe	24,297,554.60	11,957,836.10	12,339,718.50	0.0181	439,786	439,785.70
G376.2 Mains - Cathodic Protection	2,283,054.28	1,622,576.13	660,478.15	0.0243	55,478	55,478.22
G376.3 Mains - Plastic Pipe	67,733,209.72	18,636,215.92	49,096,993.80	0.0230	1,557,864	1,557,863.81
G378 Measuring & Regulating Equip.	2,290,621.49	1,344,005.96	946,615.53	0.0331	75,820	75,819.60
G380 Services - Steel Pipe	7,362,103.46	12,013,637.51	-4,651,534.05	0.0468	344,546	344,546.47
G380.1 Services - Plastic Pipe	49,513,900.96	25,003,235.94	24,510,665.02	0.0368	1,822,112	1,822,111.55
G381 Meters & Regulators	40,847,502.29	13,455,695.09	27,391,807.20	0.0198	808,781	808,780.55
G381.2 ARM Lease	6,264,185.35	548,136.29	5,716,049.06	0.0500	313,209	313,209.27
G385 Industrial M & R Station Equip.	56,334.41	38,283.71	18,050.70	0.0343	1,932	1,932.27
G387 Other Equipment	26,216.39	6,108.59	20,107.80	0.0500	1,311	1,310.82
Total Distribution Plant	201,648,642.71	84,981,212.23	116,667,430.48		5,436,400	5,436,398.60
G389.8 Land & Land Rights - Multipurpose	101,675.11	49,696.06	51,979.05	0.0000	0	0.00
G390 Structures	651,767.56	183,934.85	467,832.71	0.0173	11,276	11,275.57
G390.6 Structure - Communication	44,837.80	12,789.36	32,048.44	0.0217	973	972.98
G391 Office Furniture & Equipment	116,037.13	69,976.62	46,060.51	0.0500	5,802	5,801.90
G391.1 Data Handling Equipment	51,743.44	31,823.14	19,920.30	0.0500	2,587	2,587.20
G391.2 Computers	3,156.19	-12,754.40	15,910.59	0.1429	451	451.02
G392.2 Transportation - Trailers	656,397.14	435,167.98	221,229.16	0.1250	35,005	35,005.38
G392.3 Transportation - Automobiles	73,287.46	61,578.87	11,708.59	0.2000	0	0.00
G392.4 Transportation - Trucks > 13,000 lbs	395,287.05	245,983.58	149,303.47	0.1000	10,194	10,194.09
G392.5 Transportation - Trucks < 12,000 lbs	4,746,456.63	3,199,296.94	1,547,159.69	0.1429	303,973	303,973.03
G392.7 Transportation - ATV's & Snow machines	175,282.92	154,377.98	20,904.94	0.1250	1,887	1,887.38
G393 Stores Equipment	8,412.73	470.48	7,942.25	0.0500	421	420.62
G394 Tools, Shop & Garage Equipment	3,216,396.47	1,696,407.57	1,519,988.90	0.0500	160,820	160,819.88
G395 Laboratory Equipment	742,637.24	508,868.93	233,768.31	0.0500	37,132	37,131.89
G396 Power Operated Equipment	1,936,872.54	1,359,144.59	577,727.95	0.1250	82,002	82,001.51
G397.2 Other Communication Equipment	1,542,979.48	515,391.94	1,027,587.54	0.0663	102,300	102,299.51
G397.3 Office Communication Equipment	101,945.92	113,315.21	-11,369.29	0.0619	6,310	6,310.45
G398 Misc. Equipment	83,542.02	27,535.72	56,006.30	0.0500	4,177	4,177.05
Total General Plant	14,648,714.83	8,653,005.42	5,995,709.41		765,310	765,309.46
Total Montana Gas	464,139,996.38	188,397,912.41	275,742,083.97		10,577,512	10,577,451.69

The actual annual depreciation expense is calculated and produced within the SAP Fixed Asset module.

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - MONTANA COMMON PLANT - 2008 ACCRUAL CALCULATION

ASSET CLASS	PLANT BALANCE 12/31/2007	DEPR RESERVE 12/31/2007	OC-D 12/31/2007	ACCRUAL RATE %	Estimated 2008 Accrual	Actual SAP 2008 Accrual
C303.1 SOFTWARE 5 YEARS	8,151,309.31	3,530,584.99	4,620,724.32	.2000	1,630,262	1,630,261.81
C303.2 SOFTWARE 10 YEARS	21,057,941.79	14,556,796.81	6,501,144.98	.1000	2,105,794	2,105,794.18
C389 LAND	2,737,745.42	-157,995.71	2,895,741.13	.0000	0	0.00
C389.6 LAND - COMMUNICATION	227,741.61	-1,197.40	228,939.01	.0000	0	0.00
C390 STRUCTURES	29,402,313.96	6,560,471.50	22,841,842.46	.0226	664,492	664,492.30
C390.6 STRUCTURES - COMMUNICATION	1,963,518.36	241,693.03	1,721,825.33	.0227	44,572	44,571.87
C391 OFFICE FURNITURE	2,924,145.19	2,562,207.90	361,937.29	.0500	146,207	146,207.31
C391.1 DATA HANDLING EQUIPMENT	2,760,890.15	2,418,599.50	342,290.65	.0500	138,045	138,044.56
C391.2 COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	3,665,377.04	1,232,074.40	2,433,302.64	.1429	523,782	523,782.40
C397.1 MICROWAVE EQUIPMENT	10,330,364.28	3,594,718.89	6,735,645.39	.0776	801,636	801,636.24
C397.3 OFFICE COMMUNICATION EQUIP	3,853,110.95	4,252,160.05	-399,049.10	.0665	256,232	256,231.88
C398 MISC. EQUIPMENT	1,159,940.83	863,592.84	296,347.99	.0500	57,997	57,997.08
TOTAL	88,234,398.89	39,653,706.80	48,580,692.09		6,369,019	6,369,019.63

The actual annual depreciation expense is calculated and produced within the SAP Fixed Asset module.

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - CANADIAN MONTANA PIPELINE CO - ACCRUAL DATA IN CANADIAN FUNDS

	Plant Balance <u>12-31-07</u>	CANADIAN FUNDS		2008 ACCRUAL <u>US FUNDS</u>
		ACCRUAL %	2008 ACCRUAL	
<u>CARWAY SECTION 17-12-70</u>				
2365.2 Rights-of-Way	3,601.43	0.0021	8	7.91
2367.1 Mains	216,028.10	0.0013	281	265.08
Total	<u>219,629.53</u>		<u>289.00</u>	<u>272.99</u>
<u>GENERAL PLANT</u>				
2397.1	88,576.75	0.1100	9,743	9,191.17
2397.2	5,163.50	0.0575	297	280.18
Total	<u>93,740.25</u>		<u>10,040.00</u>	<u>9,471.35</u>
INTANGIBLE	46,554.37	0.0000	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CMPL	<u>359,924.15</u>		<u>10,329.00</u>	<u>9,744.34</u> ✓
US ACCRUAL	9,744.34			
CANADIAN ACCRUAL	10,329.00			
% OF US to CANADIAN	0.943396			

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - MONTANA GAS UTILITY - AMORTIZATION EXPENSE

	<u>Rate Base Related</u>	<u>Expense Account No.</u>	<u>Amortization Period</u>	<u>MPSC Authorization</u>	<u>2008 Book Expense</u>	<u>Claimed Adjustment</u>	<u>Total Adjusted Expense</u>
1	SAP Development Costs	531070	5-01 to 12-2010	Dck D2000.8.113 Order 6271c.	204,845	0	204,845
2	Storage Gas Sale 2000 & 2001	531070	9-01 to 8-2039	Dck D2001.1.1 Order 5898 h.	-420,516	0	-420,516
3	MPSC/MCC Taxes	531070	1-08 to 12-2010	Dck D2007.7.82 Order 6852f.	-15,418	0	-15,418
<u>Non Rate Base Related</u>							
4	Property Taxes	531070	1 year	Dck D2008.12.143	1,216,479	-1,216,479	0
5	Compensated Absences	531070	12-98 to 3-2012	Dck D1997.11.219	-16,343	0	-16,343
6	NG Funding Trust Servicing Fees	531070	12-98 to 3-2012	Dck D1997.11.219	-1,000,000	1,000,000	0
7	NG Funding Trust Inc/Loss to Distir Trust	531070	12-98 to 3-2012	Dck D1997.11.219	76,061	-76,061	0
8	NG Funding Trust Debt Issuance Costs	531070	12-98 to 3-2012	Dck D1997.11.219	28,641	-28,641	0
9	Pension Differential	531071	2005 - 2012	Dck D2008.11.129 Order 6963	8,520,830	-4,043,154	4,477,676
10				<u>Total Amortization Expense</u>	<u>8,594,579</u>	<u>-4,364,335</u>	<u>4,230,244</u>

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - AMORTIZATION OF THE SAP CAPITALIZED 'EXPENSE' COSTS

	ACCT. 182397* ELECTRIC	DIRECT CREDIT TO ACCOUNT 182397	ACCT. 182398* NATURAL GAS	DIRECT CREDIT TO ACCOUNT 182398
1				
2	1,305,887.20	3,047,074.80	614,536.88	1,433,916.12
3	1,269,612.50	36,274.70		17,070.43
4	1,233,337.80	3,083,349.50	597,466.45	1,450,986.55
5	1,197,063.10	36,274.70		17,070.43
6	1,160,788.40	3,119,624.20	580,396.02	1,468,056.98
7	1,124,513.70	36,274.70		17,070.43
8	1,088,239.00	3,155,898.90	563,325.59	1,485,127.41
9	1,051,964.30	36,274.70		17,070.43
10	1,015,689.60	3,192,173.60	546,255.16	1,502,197.84
11	979,414.90	36,274.70		17,070.43
12	943,140.20	3,228,448.30	529,184.73	1,519,268.27
13	906,865.50	36,274.70		17,070.43
14	870,590.80	3,264,723.00	512,114.30	1,536,338.70
15		36,274.70		17,070.43
16		3,300,997.70	495,043.87	1,553,409.13
17		36,274.70		17,070.43
18		3,337,272.40	477,973.44	1,570,479.56
19		36,274.70		17,070.43
20		3,373,547.10	460,903.01	1,587,549.99
21		36,274.70		17,070.43
22		3,409,821.80	443,832.58	1,604,620.42
23		36,274.70		17,070.43
24		3,446,096.50	426,762.15	1,621,690.85
25		36,274.70		17,070.43
26		3,482,371.20	409,691.72	1,638,761.28
27	1,088,239.00		512,114.30	
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13 MONTH AVERAGE
 ANNUAL AMORTIZATION EXPENSE
 \$6,401,415 / 10 YEARS A/C 531070
 ELECTRIC \$ 435,296
 GAS \$ 204,845

SAP CAPITALIZED 'EXPENSE' COSTS ADDED TO RATE BASE
 AND AMORTIZED OVER A 10 YEAR LIFE.
 PER MPSC DOCKET D2000.8.113 ORDER 6271c.

THIS REGULATORY ASSET WILL BE FULLY AMORTIZED @ 12/31/2010 AND THE SAP CAPITALIZED COMPUTER SOFTWARE WILL BE FULLY AMORTIZED @ 12/31/2010

*THIS INCLUDES A/C 182397 & 153397 182398 & 153398.

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY
 GAS STORAGE SALES - 2000 & 2001

			<u>NET BALANCE A/C 274423</u>	<u>DEFERRED TAXES</u>	*1	<u>NET RATE BASE</u>
1	DECEMBER	2007	13,353,687.90		0.00	13,353,687.90
2	JANUARY	2008	13,318,644.88		0.00	13,318,644.88
3	FEBRUARY	2008	13,283,601.86		0.00	13,283,601.86
4	MARCH	2008	13,248,558.84		0.00	13,248,558.84
5	APRIL	2008	13,213,515.82		0.00	13,213,515.82
6	MAY	2008	13,178,472.80		0.00	13,178,472.80
7	JUNE	2008	13,143,429.78		0.00	13,143,429.78
8	JULY	2008	13,108,386.76		0.00	13,108,386.76
9	AUGUST	2008	13,073,343.74		0.00	13,073,343.74
10	SEPTEMBER	2008	13,038,300.72		0.00	13,038,300.72
11	OCTOBER	2008	13,003,257.70		0.00	13,003,257.70
12	NOVEMBER	2008	12,968,214.68		0.00	12,968,214.68
13	DECEMBER	2008	12,933,171.66		0.00	12,933,171.66
13 MONTH AVERAGE						13,143,429.78

2000 & 2001 STORAGE GAS SALES ADDED TO RATE BASE AND AMORTIZED
 OVER A 38 YEAR LIFE PER MPSC DOCKET D2001.1.1 ORDER 5898h FOF 6
 FROM SEPTEMBER 2001 THRU AUGUST 2039.

*1 This liability has been recognized by Northwestern Corporation as having tax basis, as such
 there is no timing difference and therefore no deferred tax.

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MONTHLY ACCRUAL \$ 35,043.02

ANNUAL ACCRUAL \$ 420,516.24 ✓

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - MONTANA OPERATIONS - MPSC & MCC TAXES

	TOTAL	ELECTRIC	GAS
1 MPSC TAXES - OVER COLLECTION	-571,707	-414,177	-157,530
2 MCC TAXES - UNDER COLLECTION	332,219	220,944	111,275
3 TOTAL	-239,488	-193,233	-46,255
4 RATE BASE DECREASE EQUAL TO HALF		-96,617	-23,128
5 ANNUAL AMORTIZATION OVER 3 YEARS		-64,411	-15,418 ✓
6 193,233 / 3 = 64,411			
7 46,255 / 3 = 15,418			

MPSC & MCC Taxes are deducted from rate base and amortized over a 3 year period per MPSC Docket D2007.7.82 Order 6271c.

NorthWestern began to amortize these costs over a three year period beginning in January 2008 thru December 2010

Since Docket D2000.8.113, the annual tax rates associated with funding the MPSC & MCC have varied from 2001 thru 2006. The net impact results in an over-collection of MPSC taxes in the amount of \$ 571,707 and an under-collection of MCC taxes in the amount of \$ 332,219.

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY - MONTANA GAS UTILITY

There are no charges to other than prescribed Depreciation and Amortization expenses in the Natural Gas Utility.