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From: robin cox

Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 8:50:28 PM

To: PUC

Subject: Re: FW: Rate increase

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To whom it may concern:

Please do not give Black Hills Power another rate increase. The working people of this state have not seen their wages go up appreciably and it is really becoming a burden not only on those of us who work but also the elderly on a fixed income who are already struggling to stay in their homes.

They need to be told what the rest of us are always told; tighten your belt.

Thank you,

Robin R. Cox (citizen)

From: PUC

Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 7:43 AM

To:

Subject: BHP Rate Case, EL14-026

Ms. Cox:

Thank you for your comment. It will be added to the Black Hills Power rate case docket, <a href="http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2014/EL14-026.aspx">http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2014/EL14-026.aspx</a>, along with this response. Because commissioners have a decision-making role in docket matters, any discussion with a commissioner about an open docket must take place in an open, public forum. By placing your comments in the docket file, other commissioners and interested parties will have access to your comments for consideration.

Here is a document which explains the processing of electric utility rate case requests which may be helpful to you. It references the South Dakota Codified Laws governing utilities and the commission regarding electric rate requests: <a href="http://www.puc.sd.gov/commission/Publication/electricratecasehandout.pdf">http://www.puc.sd.gov/commission/Publication/electricratecasehandout.pdf</a>

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