

BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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Docket No. EL09-18

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF BLACK HILLS POWER, INC. FOR  
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS  
ELECTRIC RATES

**RESIDENTIAL CONSUMERS’  
PETITION TO INTERVENE AS  
PARTIES**

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COME NOW Liliias Jarding, Bobbie Handley, Carla Kock, and the South Dakota Peace and Justice Center (collectively “Residential Consumers Coalition”), by and through counsel, and, pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:15.02 and SDCL § 1-26-17.1, respectfully submit this Petition to Intervene as Parties to the above captioned matter.

1. Liliias Jarding is a resident of Rapid City, South Dakota, and a residential customer of Black Hills Power (BHP).
2. Bobbie Handley is a resident of Rapid City, South Dakota, and a residential customer of BHP.
3. Carla Kock is a resident of Rapid City, South Dakota, and a residential customer of BHP.
4. The South Dakota Peace and Justice Center (Peace and Justice Center) is a South Dakota nonprofit organization. The Peace and Justice Center is an interfaith grassroots network of approximately 1,000 households, institutions, and congregations dedicated to advancing principles of social justice through advocacy, education, and action. Goals of the Peace and Justice Center include environmental protection and economic justice. Individual members of the Peace and Justice Center are residential customers of BHP.

5. It is the position of the Residential Consumers Coalition that BHP cannot meet its burden of proof to show that the proposed rate increase is just and reasonable under SDCL § 46-34A-11, and residential customers of BHP will be harmed if the proposed rate increase is approved.
6. The interests of the Residential Consumers Coalition, as residential customers of BHP, are unique and not adequately represented by any other party to this case.

WHEREFORE, the Residential Consumers Coalition respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Petition to Intervene as Parties to these proceedings.

Respectfully submitted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

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## NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Sam E. Khorooosi, of KHOROOSI LAW OFFICE, hereby notes his appearance on behalf of the Residential Consumers Coalition in the above entitled matter. A separate Notice of Appearance will be entered for Jana M. Linderman contingent upon her admission *pro hac vice*.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

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