



# CITY OF BELLE FOURCHE

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November 30, 2009

Black Hills Power  
Attn: President David R. Emery  
PO Box 1400  
625 Ninth Street  
Rapid City, SD 57709

RE: Proposed Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Emery,

I am concerned with the recent request by Black Hills Power, Inc. to increase energy rates by 26.6 percent. The Black Hills communities have already set their budgets for 2010. We will not easily be able to accommodate this rate increase into our already tight operating budget. More importantly, our citizens are struggling to make their monthly dollars stretch to meet the ever rising cost of services.

So on their behalf, I am asking that you seek a more reasonable, long term approach to resolving the financial needs of BHP. A gradual increase over the next several years would allow time for families and communities to adjust their spending habits to meet the inevitable rise in the cost of energy. A delay in the "start-up" to January 2011 of any approved increase would also help considerably.

Thank you for all that you do to assist community development.

Sincerely,

Dave Schneider  
Mayor  
City of Belle Fourche

Cc: PUC-Dustin Johnson