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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capital Building, 1st floor
500 E. Capital Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: Docket No. EL11-001 - In the Matter of the Petition of Black Hills Power, Inc. to
Establish an Environmental measures Cost Recovery Tariff

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

As provided in the Settlement Stipulation, dated June 1, 2011, to the above reference docket, Black Hills Power agreed to make an annual Environmental Improvement Adjustment (EIA) filing by February 15th of each year for any additional projected environmental capital costs, expenses and recoveries. Black Hills Power will not be seeking additional recoveries for environmental projects in 2013, but reserves the right to file in future years with qualifying projects.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Kilpatrick', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Chris Kilpatrick
Director of Resource Planning and Rates