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From: Hanson, Gary (PUC)

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2013 8:26 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Gregg, Deb

Subject: Re: confidential agreements between corporate parties and Black Hills Power

Ryan,

Thank you for your inquiry. You ask several excellent questions that are no doubt on the minds of many utility customers. This is a docketed item, a rate case, and I am in the position as a judge in this docket. I do not wish to place myself in a situation where I would need to recuse myself by discussing these items outside of the public hearing process. However, I will see that your concerns are addressed during the open meeting. Additionally, I have requested staff to reply to your concerns in the interim.

Because this is a communication regarding a docket I am required to place both your inquiry and my response into the record.