

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Authority to Increase its Electric Rates

Docket No. EL14-026 – Petition to Intervene

Dakota Rural Action's Petition to Intervene

In accordance with ARSD 20:10:01:15.2, Dakota Rural Action hereby petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in this proceeding.

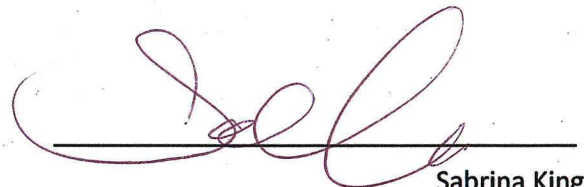
In support of this petition, we present:

1. Dakota Rural Action is a member-based organization with a West River office located in Rapid City, South Dakota, and will be directly affected by any rate increase. We therefore have a direct interest in the outcome of this proceeding.
2. Dakota Rural Action, through our Black Hills Chapter, represents hundreds of Black Hills residents who will be directly affected by any rate increase and who have a strong and direct interest in the past, present, and future energy needs of the Black Hills region.
3. Dakota Rural Action has been working on energy policy for several years, and has a direct interest in ensuring decisions made which affect both the organization and its members reflect the reality of changing electric markets, needs, and technology.
4. Dakota Rural Action desires to intervene in order to receive documents, submit comments, present testimony, cross-examine witnesses, and produce evidence to the extent such actions are required.

Wherefore, Dakota Rural Action respectfully requests the Commission grant this petition to intervene and allow Dakota Rural Action to participate in this proceeding as a full party.

Dated in Rapid City, 6 of June, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,



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