## **BLACK HILLS POWER**

## SD PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO. EL14-034

REQUEST DATE : April 30, 2014

RESPONSE DATE : May 5, 2014

REQUESTING PARTY: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

## **SDPUC Request 1-14:**

Provide an explanation to support the claims made in paragraph 8 of the application, pages 3 and 4.

## **Response to SDPUC Request 1-14:**

As indicated in response to DR 1-8, Black Hills Power had approximately \$455,000,000 of bondable additions as of 3/31/2014. The debt issuance funds infrastructure investments to serve Black Hills Power customers and results in an appropriate utility capital structure. Additional support for the claims made in paragraph 8 of Black Hills Power's Application is contained in the balance of the Application, the Board of Directors' Resolution approving the debt issuance, and the information provided in response to Data Request Set 1.

**Attachments:** None