

**BLACK HILLS POWER, INC.**  
SD PUC DOCKET: EL15-012  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

REQUEST DATE : April 17, 2015

RESPONSE DATE : May 8, 2015

REQUESTING PARTY: SDPUC Staff

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**SDPUC Request No. 1-8:**

In docket EL14-026 it was established that Black Hills Power's economic development program would begin on October 1, 2014. Were any economic development expenses incurred during the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2014? If answered in the affirmative, please provide detail on the actual economic development expenses incurred during that period.

**Response to SDPUC Request No. 1-8:**

As agreed to in the Settlement Stipulation in Docket EL14-026, economic development costs will be reported on a calendar year basis. The first calendar year period after the effective date of interim rates was 2015. As such, the economic development costs incurred in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2014 are not subject to the requirement in the Settlement Stipulation. The economic development expenses incurred during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2014 can be provided on an informational basis if desired.