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

> RE: Annual Report of S.D. Jurisdictional Financial Condition Docket EL17-008 In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. for Approval of its 2017 Environmental Improvement Adjustment

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

In accordance with Element 6 of the Settlement Stipulation in Docket No. EL15-008 and Element 6 of the Amendment to Settlement Stipulation in Docket EL14-013, Black Hills Power, Inc. d/b/a Black Hills Energy, we submitted the Annual Report of South Dakota Jurisdictional Financial Condition to Staff on February 15, 2017. Staff has requested that we file the same directly in the docket. Therefore, please find the enclosed Annual Report of South Dakota Jurisdictional Jurisdictional Financial Condition for filing into the docket. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

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