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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities
Commission Capitol Building, 1st floor
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: Docket No. EL19-006 - Updated Estimated Cost of the Facility

Due to material costs coming in higher than estimated, Black Hills has increased its original estimated construction cost of \$9.7 million. Black Hills now estimates the total construction costs to be approximately \$11.9 million based upon updated material costs.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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