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Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

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

Docket EL12-061

Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached for filing please find the following:

- ◆ Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation;
- ♦ Settlement Stipulation with exhibits:
- ◆ Confidential Staff Memorandum with exhibits;
- ◆ Public Staff Memorandum with exhibits; and
- ♦ Affidavit of Service.

By copy of this correspondence, the foregoing is being served upon persons identified in the Commission's service list, this being intended as service by electronic mail. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Karen E. Cremer Karen E. Cremer Staff Attorney

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