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To: Fiegen, Kristie

Subject: Reject the Black Hills Power rate request

Commissioner

Chair Hanson, Commissioners Nelson and Fiegen:

Earlier, I sent the blanket e-mail without providing my input. I feel that South Dakota is a state rich in natural resources. We have clear blue skies and areas on the plains where the wind never stops blowing. If the resources are available to utilize these resources, why wouldn't we. BH Power could invest in solar and wind using the same resources they are currently digging up the ground to find their current sources. I would rather see them invest and maintain solar and wind power sources than maintain Caterpillar loaders, scrapers, dumpers etc.

I, just as much as the next guy don't want to have increases in my monthly expenses and feel that BH Power already has high enough rates to supplement the salaries and benefits of their organization as well as provide for their operational costs.

Please look out for South Dakota's future starting today and look 10 or 15 years down the road and see where you think of where our energy production will be coming from. Let's make some positive changes.

Sincerely,

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