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

RE: Notification to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission of the intentions of Black Hills Power, Inc. d/b/a Black Hills Energy to not seek approval of a new Energy Efficiency Solutions Plan

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Black Hills Power, Inc. d/b/a Black Hills Energy (“Black Hills”), a South Dakota corporation, respectfully provides notice to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) of its intention to discontinue its Energy Efficiency Solutions Plan (“EESP”) effective September 1, 2020.

On June 1, 2017, Black Hills filed an application with the Commission seeking approval of a three-year extension to its then current EESP (Docket No. EL17-026).

On August 29, 2017, the Commission unanimously approved the extension of Black Hills’ EESP as revised per Staff’s recommendation with an effective date of September 1, 2017. Black Hills implemented the approved EESP on September 1, 2017. The approved EESP covered PY2017, PY2018 and PY2019 (PY is defined as the 12-month period ending August 31 of each year after the start of the program), with the current three-year planning period ending on August 31, 2020.

Per Black Hills’ tariff, Black Hills is required to file any recommended modifications to the currently effective EESP no later than June 1<sup>st</sup>. To comply with this tariff provision, Black Hills provides this notice of its intent to not file any modification to its existing EESP and let the current EESP expire on August 31, 2020.

Black Hills appreciates the Commission’s support for its EESP over the years and will consider providing energy efficiency solutions for its customers in the normal course of business.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J S Keil".

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