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Sent: Friday, September 25, 2026 8:14 PM

To: PUC-PUC <PUC@state.sd.us>

Subject: [EXT] Black Hills Energy

PUC,

Please consider the request for a rate increase for Black Hills Energy from the consumers perspective! I just paid my most recent electric bill, I was shocked at the increase of my bill this summer! It was outrageous! I realize we had a hot summer, with increase use of the air conditioner! I am retired and live on a fixed income! My social security is not keeping up with inflation! It is not keeping up with huge utility bills increases! I have worked hard to live within my means, but the cost of living increases are beyond my wildest imagination! I am seriously considering cutting sending my children and grandchildren birthday gifts this next year! How sad!

Please consider Docket EL26-003 (Rate increase) and Docket EL26-024 (Phase is plan rate)
The increase already on my electric bill is to high! Thank you for considering my concern!

Sincerely,

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