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Subject: [EXT] Black Hills Energy Rate Increase

Docket #EL26-003

Please do not approve the rate increase requested by Black Hills Energy - at least not the full amount requested. My husband and I are both retired senior citizens. All the increases being taken by companies, stores, etc. negatively impact our quality of life and ability to remain in our home. Young people trying to get started on their adult lives can't make it on their own if these companies continue to increase their prices. I understand the company also deals with "cost of doing business" increases, but electricity is a necessity and not optional!

Thank you for listening.

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