

From: Danialle Rose [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2026 4:16 PM
To: PUC-PUC <PUC@state.sd.us>
Subject: [EXT] Black Hills Energy. Proposed rate increase

I object to this proposed rate increase as my winter bill is now between \$200 and \$400 each month, depending on how much I can tolerate the cold. I tend to keep the heat low but my husband likes to keep it around 80 degrees in the winter during the day. I do turn the thermostat down to 65 at night. So you see, I do my best to conserve.

According to the most recent letter from BHE, with their proposed \$25 increase for those using 650 kilowatt during a billing cycle, this would add an additional \$50 to \$75 to my monthly bill.

I cannot afford a rate increase as we are both over the age of 70 and on a fixed income.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Danialle Rose, LCSW-PIP, LAC, RT-ADS

[REDACTED]
Hot Springs, SD. 57747

[REDACTED]