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Dear Mr. Schmitendorf:

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission received your letter regarding Black Hills Energy.

Your comments and this response will be posted in the “Comments and Responses” section of docket *EL26-003 - In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. dba Black Hills Energy for Authority to Increase Rates For its Utility Service in South Dakota*, which can be viewed online at www.puc.sd.gov → Commission Actions → Commission Dockets → Electric Dockets → 2026 Electric Dockets → EL26-003.

Sincerely,

Chris Nelson
Chairman