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To: PUC-PUC <PUC@state.sd.us>
Subject: [EXT] BHE rate increase

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing you in regards to the requested rate increase requested by Black Hills Electric. I vehemently object to the request for any increase in rates. Their customers were bombarded with the so called Atlas Blizzard surcharge. Then we were hit with a massive delivery fee which was far more than the KW usage costs. In a time where South Dakotans are struggling to keep up with inflation, any increase will hit hard!

I, myself don't feel like I should help a huge corporation to merge into an even larger corporation! On top of that, BHE is now wanting us to fund data centers so they can collect from them. I won't even start with what the CEO's make and the bonus on top of the wages. Enough is Enough!!

My husband and I are being taxed out of our home. A modest one level living home in Hot Springs. We will have to sell, although we thought about building a small home to move into. If BHE gets their way, we will not be able to afford to live in South Dakota. How sad considering 5 generations of my family has lived in South Dakota.

Please, please, don't allow another entity to push people from their homes and the beautiful state we call home!!

Respectfully,
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