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Subject: [EXT] Black Hills Energy

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I am writing this to oppose any rate or special increase for Black Hills Energy. They just were given a high increase that has affected our power bill by about 50% over the previous year. That being the last increase allowed the kilowatt hour charge to go from 8 cents to 12 cents.

Black Hills Energy is already an extremely profitable business to ask for an increase or surcharge to build another plant so they can sell more energy should be borne from their profits and increased sales not price increase that are already choking their customers.

I would thank you to deny any further rate hikes or surcharges for them.

Sincerely
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