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Subject: [EXT] Black Hills Power

Just wondering the justification for such a massive increase in our electric bill. Considering the bid that Black Hills Energy won for the Wyoming Data Center...Billions...
Considering the state of the economy, gas, groceries, unemployment and inflation, it seems that Black Hills Energy is just driving the knife a little deeper. They are a public traded company, pays a fair dividend, and expanded their foot print with the acquisition of Northwest. They are already quite profitable and shareholders seem to be pleased with the way the corporation is being run.
To increase prices upwards of 30 to 35 percent seems outrageous.
We the people of South Dakota elect the people to the PUC to hopefully make decisions that the people want. If Black Hills Energy was losing money it would be understandable to want an increase.
Please think of the people of South Dakota when you make your decision.

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Thank you for your time..