

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**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**

**ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION
TO AMEND PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE**

EL26-003

On February 19, 2026, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application by Black Hills Power, Inc. dba Black Hills Energy (BHP) for approval to increase rates for electric service to customers in its South Dakota service territory by approximately \$50.6 million annually or approximately 25.1% based on BHP's test year ending September 30, 2025. The Company states a typical residential electric customer using 650 kWh per month would see an increase of \$25.13 per month. The proposed changes may potentially affect approximately 75,000 customers in BHP's South Dakota service territory.

On February 26, 2026, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of April 17, 2026, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filing electronic listserv. On May 21, 2026, the Commission issued an Order Granting Motion for Approval of Procedural Schedule. On July 8, 2026, the Commission issued an Order Granting Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule. On October 1, 2026, Staff and BHP filed a Joint Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule. On October 1, 2026, the South Dakota Large Customer Group (SDLCG) filed a Response in Support of Joint Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-34A.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on October 6, 2026, the Commission considered this matter. Staff and BHP requested the Commission grant the Joint Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule. The SDLCG did not appear. There being no objection, the Commission voted unanimously to grant the Joint Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule filed on October 1, 2026. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Joint Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that the prefiled testimony filing deadlines in the procedural schedule are Amended as follows:

Staff/Intervenor Testimony Due.....October 26, 2026
Rebuttal Testimony Due.....November 20, 2026

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7th day of October 2026.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.

By: [Signature]

Date: 7 Oct 2026

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

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KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

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GARY HANSON, Commissioner