

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

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**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**

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**JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF  
SETTLEMENT STIPULATION**

**EL26-003**

Staff of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, Black Hills Power, Inc. dba Black Hills Energy, and South Dakota Large Customer Group, jointly referred to as the “Parties” hereby file this Joint Motion and Settlement Stipulation with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The Parties request the Commission adopt the attached Settlement Stipulation as the settlement and resolution of all issues in this proceeding. In support of this Joint Motion, the Parties submit as follows:

1. This Joint Motion is made pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:19.
2. The Settlement Stipulation resolves all of the issues in Docket EL26-003.
3. The terms of the Settlement Stipulation agreed upon are just and reasonable and consistent with South Dakota law.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the undersigned parties jointly request the Commission adopt the attached Settlement Stipulation without modification for the purpose of resolving all issues subject to this proceeding and enter an Order finding the attached Settlement Stipulation results in just and reasonable rates for Black Hills Power Inc. dba Black Hills Energy’s customers in its South Dakota service territory.

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This Joint Motion is entered into effective this 23rd day of October, 2026.

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