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Subject: Re: [EXT] Black Hills Energy

Hello,

I am a citizen of Rapid City and I would just like to share my view on the proposed NDA that Black Hills energy is seeking. I feel the need to state the obvious... this is the PUBLIC Utilities Commission, meaning that it is for/about the public. Anything that has to do with the public (that is not a safety issue) should never be hidden from the public. The whole point of a PUC is to protect the public from private businesses taking advantage of the things that are needed to protect life. If something as essential to life as electricity is allowed to have secret dealings that affect the lives of the public, there mine-as-well not be a PUC because that is what you are supposed to protect us from.

Thank you
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