

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY BLACK )  
HILLS POWER, INC. DBA BLACK HILLS ENERGY )  
FOR APPROVAL OF A RENEWABLE READY )  
SERVICE TARIFF AND TARIFF REVISIONS TO )  
ITS ENERGY COST ADJUSTMENT )**

**ORDER GRANTING  
INTERVENTION**

**EL18-060**

On December 17, 2018, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Black Hills Power, Inc. dba Black Hills Energy (BHP) requesting to implement a new renewable ready service tariff and associated revisions to its energy cost adjustment tariff. The new tariff would serve commercial retail customers with an aggregate usage of 300,000 kWh or more per year and governmental accounts desiring renewable energy. BHP states this application is made in response to requests and interest expressed by large customers within the BHP service area. BHP states the tariff is designed to provide renewable energy to BHP customers with minimal impact to non-subscribing customers. BHP requests an effective date of July 1, 2019.

On December 20, 2018, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 4, 2019, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. On February 11, 2019, Walmart, Inc. filed a Petition to Intervene.

The Commission has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-1, specifically 49-1-11, and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02 through 20:10:01:15.05.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on March 1, 2019, the Commission considered the petition for intervention. Neither PUC Staff nor BHP objected to granting the petition to intervene. Finding that the petition demonstrated good cause to grant intervention, the Commission voted unanimously to grant intervention to Walmart, Inc. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Walmart, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2019.

**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: Adam de Hueck

Date: 3/7/19

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner