BLACK HILLS POWER, INC. SD PUC DOCKET: EL14-061

REQUEST DATE:August 21, 2014RESPONSE DATE:September 17, 2014REQUESTING PARTY:SDPUC Staff

SDPUC Request No. 28:

Please provide a list of any known private landowner concerns and the Applicant's plan to address those concerns.

Response to SDPUC Request No. 28:

Black Hills Power has identified several primary areas of concern.

- <u>Sun Ridge Road area</u>: proximity to homes, values, noise, health. Several alternative routes have been analyzed in this location in an effort to alleviate those concerns. While every effort is being made to minimize potential impacts to landowners in this location, it is not possible to completely avoid impacts to private property. Black Hills Power will continue to work with these landowners to define a route that will minimize impacts.
- <u>Highway 44:</u> proximity to homes, values, noise. Line route is north of an existing 69kV line providing buffer to adjacent properties. BHP is looking at single pole structure design for highway crossing. This will narrow profile, and reduce visual foot print of structures.
- <u>Mt. Meadows/Deerfield:</u> proximity to homes, recreation, noise. BHP worked closely with the USFS and has proposed an alternative route to the north that will eliminate crossing near homes and seasonal cabins. This should help alleviate concerns.
- <u>Clinton Area:</u> proximity to homes, values, noise, health. BHP has worked with adjacent landowner to relocate line farther to the north. This should help alleviate concerns.

Attachments: None