

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
BEFORE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )  
OF BLACK HILLS POWER, INC., FOR )  
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS )  
ELECTRIC RATES )  
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Docket No. EL 12-061

**JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF  
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

COME NOW, Black Hills Power, Inc. (“BHP”), and GCC Dacotah, Inc.,  
Rushmore Forest Products, Inc., Spearfish Forest Products, Inc., Pete Lien & Sons, Inc.,  
and Rapid City Regional Hospital, collectively the Black Hills Industrial Intervenors  
("BHII"), jointly referred to as “Parties,” and request that the South Dakota Public  
Utilities Commission (“Commission”) adopt the attached confidential Settlement  
Agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) as the settlement and resolution of all of the issues  
between the Parties. The Settlement Agreement is being filed on a Confidential basis.

In support of this Motion, the Parties submit as follows:

1. This Motion is made pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:19.
2. The Settlement Agreement represents a negotiated settlement of the issues between the Parties.

The terms of the Settlement Agreement agreed upon are just, fair and reasonable  
and consistent with South Dakota law. The Parties respectfully request that the  
Commission approve the Settlement Agreement.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the undersigned parties jointly request  
the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission to adopt the attached Settlement

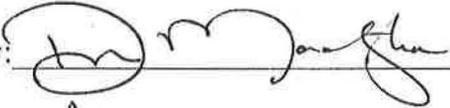
Agreement without modification for the purposes of resolving all issues between the Parties.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

BLACK HILLS POWER, INC.

BLACK HILLS INDUSTRIAL  
INTERVENORS (BHII)

By:   
Its: Attorney

By:   
Its: Attorney